

the EC's preferential tariffs for "traditional" ACP bananas.)

Thus, based on the results of the WTO dispute settlement proceedings, the public comments received and appropriate consultations, the USTR has determined that certain acts, policies and practices of the EC violate, or otherwise deny benefits to which the United States is entitled under, GATT 1994 and the GATS.

(2) *U.S. Action*

At a meeting of the DSB on October 16, 1997, the EC stated that it would "fully respect its international obligations with regard to this matter" and would require a "reasonable period of time to do so." On December 17, 1997, at a WTO arbitration hearing requested by the Complaining parties to determine the "reasonable period of time" pursuant to Article 21.3 of the DSU, the EC made it clear that the "reasonable period of time" it requested, i.e., until January 1, 1999, is for the purpose of implementing all the recommendations and ruling of the DSB adopted on September 25. On January 7, 1998, the WTO-appointed arbitrator circulated his determination that the period until January 1, 1999, would be the "reasonable period of time" for the EC to implement the DSB rulings and recommendations.

On the basis of the foregoing, the USTR finds that the EC's undertaking to implement all of the rulings and recommendations of the WTO reports within the established reasonable period of time pursuant to Article 21.3 of the DSU constitute for the purposes of section 301(a)(2)(B)(i) the taking of satisfactory measures to grant the rights of the United States under the GATT 1994 and GATS. Therefore, pursuant to section 301(a)(2) the USTR will not take action under section 301 of the Trade Act at this time and has terminated this investigation. However, pursuant to section 306 of the Trade Act, the USTR will monitor the EC's implementation of the WTO reports and will take action under section 301(a) of the Trade Act if the EC does not come into compliance.

Irving A. Williamson,

Chairman, Section 301 Committee.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

Reports, Forms and Recordkeeping Requirements Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, DOT.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICR describe the nature of the information collections and their expected burden. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following information collection was published on July 24, 1997 [62 FR 39886].

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before March 20, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Edward Kosek, NHTSA Information Collection Clearance Officer at (202) 366-2589.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA)

Title: Surveys and Analysis of Consumer Information on the Domestic Content of New Cars and Light Trucks.
OMB No.: 2127-NEW.

Type of Request: Approval of a New Information Collection.

Affected Public: Consumers, vehicle dealers and manufacturers.

Abstract: NHTSA will conduct three surveys to collect information from potential and actual purchasers of new passenger cars, light trucks, and multipurpose passenger vehicles; new vehicle dealers; and domestic and foreign-based manufacturers of these vehicles.

Estimated Annual Burden Hours: 200 hours.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 925.

Need: Use of the information—under Executive Order 12866, "Regulatory Planning and Review" NHTSA is required to conduct periodic evaluations to assess the effectiveness of its existing regulations and programs. Since this regulation has been in effect for at least a full year, NHTSA intends to collect data through the administration of three surveys, to evaluate the effectiveness of the American Automobile Labeling Act.
ADDRESSES: Send comments, within 30 days, to the Office of Information and

Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 725-17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, Attention DOT Desk Officer. Comments are invited on: whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; the accuracy of the Department's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

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Vanester M. Williams,

Clearance Officer, United States Department of Transportation.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Office of the Secretary

Reports, Forms and Recordkeeping Requirements; Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, DOT.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.), this notice announces that the Information Collection (ICR) abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden. The **Federal Register** Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following collection of information was published on September 30, 1997, [62 FR 51175-51176].

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before March 20, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Judith Street, ABC-100; Federal Aviation Administration; 800 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20591; Telephone number (202) 267-9895.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Federal Aviation Administration (FAA)

Title: Notice of Landing Area Proposal.

OMB Control Number: 2120-0036.