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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Because it is not practicable to complete this review within the initial time limits established by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act (245 days from the last day of the anniversary month for preliminary results, 120 additional days for final results), pursuant to section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, the Department is extending the time limit for completion of the preliminary results until April 30, 1999. See Memorandum to Robert S. LaRussa, dated October 16, 1998.

This extension is in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U.S.C. 1675(a)(3)(A)).

Dated: October 19, 1998.

Holly A. Kuga,

Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Steel Concrete Reinforcing Bar From Turkey; New Shipper Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; Time Limits

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of Extension of Time Limits of Preliminary Results of Review.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce is extending the time limits of the preliminary results of the new shipper antidumping duty administrative review of steel concrete reinforcing bar from Turkey. The review covers one manufacturer/exporter of the subject merchandise to the United States for the period October 10, 1996, through June 30, 1998.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 23, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Shawn Thompson or Irina Itkin, Office 5, Office of AD/CVD Enforcement, Import Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230, telephone: (202) 482-1776, or (202) 482-0656, respectively.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

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Proposed Reaffirmation of Federal Information Processing Standard (FIPS) 140-1, Security Requirements for Cryptographic Modules

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice: request for comments.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this notice is to announce NIST's five-year review of FIPS 140-1, Security Requirements for Cryptographic Modules, for Federal agency use. FIPS 140-1 was first issued in 1994. The standard identifies requirements for four security levels for cryptographic modules to provide for a wide spectrum of data and a diversity of application environments. The standard provided that it be reviewed within five (5) years to consider its usefulness and new or revised requirements that may be needed to meet technological and economic changes.

DATES: Comments on this review of FIPS 140-1 must be received on or before January 21, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Written comments concerning this standard should be sent to: Information Technology Laboratory, ATTN: Review of FIPS 140-1, Bldg. 820, Room 562, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, MD 20899. Comments may also be sent via e-mail to "140-1review@nist.gov." All comments,

written and electronic, will be published on NIST web site "http://csrc.nist.gov/encryption/."

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Miles Smid (301) 975-2938, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, MD 20899.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: FIPS 140-1, Security Requirements for Cryptographic Modules, first issued in 1994, identifies requirements for four security levels for cryptographic modules to provide for a wide spectrum of data sensitivity (e.g., low value administrative data, million dollar funds transfers, and life protecting data), and a diversity of application environments. The standard provided that it be reviewed within five (5) years to consider its usefulness and new or revised requirements that may be needed to meet technological and economic changes.

Interested parties may order a copy of FIPS 140-1 from the National Technical Information Service (NTIS), 5285 Port Royal Road, Springfield, VA 22161. Telephone (703) 487-1650. Copies of FIPS 140-1 may also be downloaded from <http://csrc.nist.gov/fips>.

Comments from industry, government agencies, and the public are invited on the following alternatives for FIPS 140-1.

- Reaffirm the standard for another five (5) years. NIST would continue to support the validation of cryptographic modules that implement the standard. FIPS 140-1 would continue to be an approved method for protecting unclassified information.
- Revise the applicability and/or implementation statements of the standard. Please include specific recommendations. If a revision is necessary, NIST will continue to support the FIPS 140-1 validation program until the revision is approved.

Comments on other proposed recommendations would also be welcomed.

Authority: Federal Information Processing Standards Publications (FIPS PUBS) are issued by the National Institute of Standards and Technology after approval by the Secretary of Commerce pursuant to Section 5131 of the Information Technology Management Reform Act of 1996 and the computer Security of 1987, Public Law 104-106.

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Robert E. Hebner,

Acting Deputy Director.

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