DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 8007]

Culturally Significant Object Imported for Exhibition Determinations: “Pedimental Relief”

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of the following determinations: Pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Act of October 19, 1965 (79 Stat. 985; 22 U.S.C. 2459), Executive Order 12047 of March 27, 1978, the Foreign Affairs Reform and Restructuring Act of 1998 (112 Stat. 2681, et seq.; 22 U.S.C. 6501 note, et seq.), Delegation of Authority No. 234 of October 1, 1999, and Delegation of Authority No. 236–3 of August 28, 2000 (and, as appropriate, Delegation of Authority No. 257 of April 15, 2003), I hereby determine that the object to be included in the exhibition “Dancing Into Dreams, Maya Vases from the IK’Kingdom,” imported from abroad for temporary exhibition within the United States, is of cultural significance. The object is imported pursuant to a loan agreement with the foreign owner or custodian. I also determine that the exhibition or display of the exhibit object at the Princeton University Art Museum, Princeton, NJ, from on or about October 6, 2012, until on or about February 17, 2013, and at possible additional exhibitions or venues yet to be determined, is in the national interest. I have ordered that Public Notice of these Determinations be published in the Federal Register.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information, including a list of the exhibit object, contact Julie Simpson, Attorney-Adviser, Office of the Legal Adviser, U.S. Department of State (telephone: 202–632–6467). The mailing address is U.S. Department of State, SA–5, L/PD, Fifth Floor (Suite 5H03), Washington, DC 20522–0505.


J. Adam Ereli,
Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 8008]

Culturally Significant Objects Imported for Exhibition Determinations: “Roads of Arabia: Archaeology and the History of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia”

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of the following determinations: Pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Act of October 19, 1965 (79 Stat. 985; 22 U.S.C. 2459), Executive Order 12047 of March 27, 1978, the Foreign Affairs Reform and Restructuring Act of 1998 (112 Stat. 2681, et seq.; 22 U.S.C. 6501 note, et seq.), Delegation of Authority No. 234 of October 1, 1999, and Delegation of Authority No. 236–3 of August 28, 2000 (and, as appropriate, Delegation of Authority No. 257 of April 15, 2003), I hereby determine that the objects to be included in the exhibition “Roads of Arabia: Archaeology and the History of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia,” imported from abroad for temporary exhibition within the United States, are of cultural significance. The objects are imported pursuant to loan agreements with the foreign owners or custodians. I also determine that the exhibition or display of the exhibit objects at The Arthur M. Sackler Gallery, Smithsonian Institution in Washington, DC from on or about November 17, 2012, until on or about February 24, 2013; the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston in Houston, Texas from on or about November 15, 2013 until on or about February 1, 2014 (dates still being finalized); and possibly also The Field Museum in Chicago, Illinois from on or about March 1, 2014 until on or about June 30, 2014; and/or the San Francisco Asian Art Museum in San Francisco, California from on or about July 30, 2014 until on or about September 30, 2014 (venues and dates still being finalized); and at possible additional exhibitions or venues yet to be determined, is in the national interest. I have ordered that Public Notice of these Determinations be published in the Federal Register.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information, including a list of the exhibit objects, contact Ona M. Habs, Attorney-Adviser, Office of the Legal Adviser, U.S. Department of State (telephone: 202–632–6473). The mailing address is U.S. Department of State, SA–5, L/PD, Fifth Floor (Suite 5H03), Washington, DC 20522–0505.


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Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, Department of State.

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Marakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization (“WTO Agreement”) concerning certain measures imposed by Argentina on the importation of goods. That request may be found at www.wto.org, contained in a document designated as WT/DS444/1. USTR invites written comments from the public concerning the issues raised in this dispute.

DATES: Although USTR will accept any comments received during the course of the dispute settlement proceedings, comments should be submitted on or before September 28, 2012 to assure timely consideration by USTR.

ADDRESSES: Public comments should be submitted electronically at www.regulations.gov, docket number USTR–2012–0023. If you are unable to provide submissions at www.regulations.gov, please contact Sandy McKinzy at (202) 395–9483 to arrange for an alternative method of transmission.

If (as explained below) the comment contains confidential information, then the comment should be submitted by fax only to Sandy McKinzy at (202) 395–3640.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Greta Milligan, Assistant General Counsel, Office of the United States Trade Representative, (202) 395–3150.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: USTR is providing notice that consultations have been requested pursuant to the WTO Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes (“DSU”). If such consultations should fail to resolve the matter and a dispute settlement panel is established pursuant to the DSU, such a panel, which would hold its meetings in Geneva, Switzerland, would be expected to issue a report on its findings and recommendations within nine months after it is established.

Major Issues Raised by the United States

On August 21, 2012, the United States requested consultations concerning certain measures imposed by Argentina on the importation of goods into Argentina. In particular, Argentina subjects the importation of all goods to approval of a non-automatic import license through the Declaración Jurada Anticipada de Importación (“DJI”) system. In addition, Argentina subjects the importation of certain goods into Argentina to other product-specific non-automatic import licenses, or Licencias No Automáticas de Importación in the form of Certificados de Importación (“CIs”). The legal instruments through which Argentina maintains these measures are set out in the annexes to the request for consultations. The issuance of CIs and approval of DJIs are systematically delayed or denied by Argentine authorities on non-transparent grounds.

In addition, Argentina often requires imports to undertake certain commitments including to limit imports, to balance imports with exports, to make or increase investments in production facilities in Argentina, to increase the local content of products manufactured in Argentina (and thereby discriminate against imported products), to refrain from transferring revenue or other funds abroad and/or to control the price of imported goods. The Argentine authorities often make the issuance of CIs and the approval of DJIs conditional upon the importers undertaking to comply with the above-mentioned trade-restrictive commitments.

Through these measures, Argentina appears to have acted inconsistently with its obligations under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (“GATT 1994”), the Agreement on Import Licensing Procedures (“Import Licensing Agreement”), the Agreement on Trade-Related Investment Measures (“TRIMS Agreement”), and the Agreement on Safeguards (“Safeguards Agreement”).

Specifically, the United States asserts in the request for consultations that Argentina’s measures appear to be inconsistent with the following provisions of the GATT 1994, the TRIMS Agreement, the Import Licensing Agreement, and the Safeguards Agreement:

1. Articles III:4, X:1, X:2, X:3(a) and XI:1 of the GATT 1994;
2. Article 2 of the TRIMS Agreement;
3. Articles 1.2, 1.3, 1.4, 3.2, 3.3, 3.4, 3.5, 5.1, 5.2, 5.3 and 5.4 of the Import Licensing Agreement; and
4. Article 11 of the Safeguards Agreement

Public Comment: Requirements for Submissions

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments concerning the issues raised in this dispute. Persons may submit public comments electronically to www.regulations.gov, docket number USTR–2012–0023. If you are unable to provide submissions by www.regulations.gov, please contact Sandy McKinzy at (202) 395–9483 to arrange for an alternative method of transmission.

To submit comments via www.regulations.gov, enter docket number USTR–2012–0023 on the home page and click “search.” The site will provide a search-results page listing all documents associated with this docket. Find a reference to this notice by selecting “Notice” under “Document Type” on the left side of the search-results page, and click on the link entitled “Submit a Comment” (For further information on using the www.regulations.gov Web site, please consult the resources provided on the Web site by clicking on “How to Use This Site” on the left side of the home page).

The www.regulations.gov Web site allows users to provide comments by filling in a “Type Comments” field, or by attaching a document using an “Upload File” field. It is expected that most comments will be provided in an attached document. If a document is attached, it is sufficient to type “See attached” in the “Type Comments” field.

A person requesting that information, contained in a comment that he submitted, be treated as confidential business information must certify that such information is business confidential and would not customarily be released to the public by the submitter. Confidential business information must be clearly designated as such and the submission must be marked “BUSINESS CONFIDENTIAL” at the top and bottom of the cover page and each succeeding page. Any comment containing business confidential information must be submitted by fax to Sandy McKinzy at (202) 395–3640. A non-confidential summary of the confidential information must be submitted at www.regulations.gov. The non-confidential summary will be placed in the docket and will be open to public inspection. USTR may determine that information or advice contained in a comment submitted, other than business confidential information, is confidential in accordance with section 135(g)(2) of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2155(g)(2)). If the submitter believes that information or advice may qualify as such, the submitter—
(1) Must clearly so designate the information or advice;
(2) Must clearly mark the material as “SUBMITTED IN CONFIDENCE” at the top and bottom of the cover page and each succeeding page; and
(3) Must provide a non-confidential summary of the information or advice.

Any comment containing confidential information must be submitted by fax. A non-confidential summary of the confidential information must be submitted at www.regulations.gov. The non-confidential summary will be
placed in the docket and will be open to public inspection.

Pursuant to section 127(e) of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act (19 U.S.C. 3537(e)), USTR will maintain a docket on this dispute settlement proceeding, docket number USTR–2012–0023, accessible to the public at www.regulations.gov.

The public file will include non-confidential comments received by USTR from the public regarding the dispute. If a dispute settlement panel is convened, or in the event of an appeal from such a panel, the following documents will be made available to the public at www.ustr.gov: the United States' submissions, any non-confidential submissions received from other participants in the dispute, and any non-confidential summaries of submissions received from other participants in the dispute. In the event that a dispute settlement panel is convened, or in the event of an appeal from such a panel, the report of the panel, and, if applicable, the report of the Appellate Body, will also be available on the Web site of the World Trade Organization at www.wto.org. Comments open to public inspection may be viewed at www.regulations.gov.

Bradford L. Ward,
Assistant United States Trade Representative for Monitoring and Enforcement.

To register to attend the meeting, please contact Amanda Stokes, Associate Research Analyst, Centra Technology, Inc., stokesa@centratechnology.com; 703–894–6529. For other information please contact Nicholas Lowry, Senior Attorney, Office of the Assistant General Counsel for Aviation Enforcement and Proceedings, nick.lowry@dot.gov; U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE., Washington, DC 20590; 202–366–9342 (phone), 202–366–7152 (fax).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On May 24, 2012, the Secretary, as mandated by Section 411 of the FAA Modernization and Reform Act of 2012 (Pub. L. 112–95, 126 Stat. 11 (2012)), established the Advisory Committee on Aviation Consumer Protection and announced those persons appointed as members. Two earlier meetings of the committee were held on June 28 and August 7 of this year. The committee’s charter, drafted in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), as amended, 5 U.S.C. App. 2, sets forth policies for the operation of the advisory committee and is available on the Department’s Web site at http://www.dot.gov/affairs/2012/dot5912.html. The third meeting of the committee is scheduled for October 2, 2012, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time in the Oklahoma City Room at the Department’s headquarters, 1200 New Jersey Ave. SE., Washington, DC 20590. The agenda for that meeting will consist of a discussion by committee members of recommendations for proposed initiatives to be presented to the Secretary of Transportation. The charter provides that the committee present its recommendations to the Secretary by October 15, 2012, and every effort will be made to submit the Committee’s recommendations by that date. As announced in the notices of previous meetings of the committee, the meeting will be open to the public and, time permitting, comments by members of the public are invited. Since access to the U.S. DOT headquarters building is controlled for security purposes, we ask that any member of the general public who plans to attend the third meeting notify the Department contact noted above no later than five (5) calendar days prior to the meeting. Attendance will be necessarily limited by the size of the meeting room.

Members of the public may present written comments at any time. The docket number referenced above (OST–2012–0087, available at https://www.regulations.gov) has been established for committee documents including any written comments that may be filed. At the discretion of the Chairperson and time permitting, after completion of the planned agenda, individual members of the public may provide oral comments. Any oral comments presented must be limited to the objectives of the committee and will be limited to five (5) minutes per person. Individual members of the public who wish to present oral comments must notify the Department contact noted above via email that they wish to attend and present oral comments at least five (5) calendar days prior to the meeting. This meeting, however, will be primarily devoted to discussion among committee members of possible initial recommendations to the Secretary which are due on October 15, 2012. In light of this agenda and the time constraints imposed by the committee’s charter, we anticipate that the time available for oral presentations and comments by the general public will be significantly more limited than in prior meetings.

Persons with a disability who plan to attend the meeting and require special accommodations, such as an interpreter for the hearing impaired, should notify the Department contact noted above at least seven (7) calendar days prior to the meeting. Persons attending with a service animal should also advise us of that fact so that it can be taken into account in connection with space and possible allergy issues.

Notice of this meeting is being provided in accordance with the FACA and the General Services Administration regulations covering management of Federal advisory committees. (41 CFR part 102–3.)

Issued in Washington, DC, on August 28, 2012.

Samuel Podberesky,
Assistant General Counsel for Aviation Enforcement & Proceedings, U.S. Department of Transportation.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Office of the Secretary

[Notice of third meeting of advisory committee]

SUMMARY: This notice announces the third meeting of the Advisory Committee for Aviation Consumer Protection.

DATES: The third meeting of the advisory committee is scheduled for October 2, 2012, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Eastern Time.

ADDRESS: The meeting will be held in the Oklahoma City Room (located on the lobby level of the West Building with capacity for approximately 100 attendees) at the U.S. Department of Transportation, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE., Washington, DC.