DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Census Bureau

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Generic Clearance for Internet Panel Pretesting and Qualitative Survey Methods Testing

The Department of Commerce will submit the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, on or after the date of publication of this notice. We invite the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed, and continuing information collections, which helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public’s reporting burden. Public comments were previously requested via the Federal Register, on page 34175 of Volume 85, on June 3, 2020, during a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments.

Agency: U.S. Census Bureau.

Title: Generic Clearance for Internet Panel Pretesting and Qualitative Survey Methods Testing.

OMB Control Number: 0607–0978.

Type of Request: Extension without change of a currently approved collection.

Number of Respondents: 67,600.

Average Hours Per Response: 0.25 hours.

Burden Hours: 16,900.

Needs and Uses: The information collected in this program of developing and testing questionnaires will be used by staff from the Census Bureau and sponsoring agencies to evaluate and improve the quality of the data in the surveys and censuses that are ultimately conducted. Because the questionnaires being tested under this clearance are still in the process of development, the data that result from these collections are not considered official statistics of the Census Bureau or other Federal agencies. Data will be included in research reports prepared for sponsors inside and outside of the Census Bureau. The results may also be prepared for presentations related to survey methodology at professional meetings or publications in professional journals.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Frequency: Once.

Respondent’s Obligation: Voluntary.

Legal Authority: Data collection for this project is authorized under the authorizing legislation for the questionnaire being tested. This may be Title 13, Sections 131, 141, 161, 181, 182, 193, and 301 for Census Bureau-sponsored surveys, and Title 13 and 15 for surveys sponsored by other Federal agencies. We do not now what other titles will be referenced, since we do not know what survey questionnaires will be pretested during the course of the clearance.

This information collection request may be viewed at www.reginfo.gov. Follow the instructions to view the Department of Commerce collections currently under review by OMB.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function and entering either the title of the collection or the OMB Control Number 0607–0978.

Sheleen Dumas,

Department PRA Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Commerce Department.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[8–54–2020]

Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 136—Brevard County, Florida; Notification of Proposed Production Activity; Airbus OneWeb Satellites North America LLC (Satellites and Satellite Systems), Merritt Island, Florida

Airbus OneWeb Satellites North America LLC (Airbus OneWeb) submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board for its facility in Merritt Island, Florida. The notification conforming to the requirements of the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR 400.22) was received on August 12, 2020.

Airbus OneWeb already has authority to produce satellites for commercial, private, and military applications within FTZ 136. The current request would add foreign status materials/components to the scope of authority. Pursuant to 15 CFR 400.14(b),
additional FTZ authority would be limited to the specific foreign-status materials/components described in the submitted notification (as described below) and subsequently authorized by the FTZ Board.

Production under FTZ procedures could exempt Airbus OneWeb from customs duty payments on the foreign-status materials/components used in export production. On its domestic sales, for the foreign-status materials/components noted below, Airbus OneWeb would be able to choose the duty rates during customs entry procedures that apply to its already authorized finished products (duty-free). Airbus OneWeb would be able to avoid duty on foreign-status components which become scrap/waste. Customs duties also could possibly be deferred or reduced on foreign-status production equipment.

The materials/components sourced from abroad include: xenon propellant; MAPSIL: Silicone based elastomer adhesive; heat shrink tubing, not rigid, not reinforced or combined with other materials, without fittings—of polyethylene and polyolefin; electrical adhesive tape; multi-layer insulation sheets, all flexible and over 0.152 mm in thickness and not in rolls, used for thermal insulation from extreme heat or cold on spacecraft—layers include mylar, kevlar, dacron, and nomex; hot pressed boron nitrate, industrial ceramic disk; stainless steel tubes or pipe fittings—threaded elbows, bends or sleeves; stainless steel tubes or pipe fittings—not threaded or not bent; assorted stainless steel screws of various lengths that are 6mm or more in diameter, hexagonal heads; stainless steel nuts, not lugnuts; iron or steel rivets; and, RIVNUT—aluminum, threaded fasteners, long shape nut with rivet top (duty rate ranges from duty-free to 8.5%). The request indicates that certain materials/components are subject to duties under Section 232 of the Trade Expansion Act of 1962 (Section 232) and Section 301 of the Trade Act of 1974 (Section 301), depending on the country of origin. The applicable Section 232 and Section 301 decisions require subject merchandise to be admitted to FTZs in privileged foreign status (19 CFR 146.41).

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions shall be addressed to the Board’s Executive Secretary and sent to: ftz@trade.gov. The closing period for their receipt is September 28, 2020.

A copy of the notification will be available for public inspection in the “Reading Room” section of the Board’s website, which is accessible via www.trade.gov/ftz.

For further information, contact Christopher Wedderburn at Chris.Wedderburn@trade.gov or (202) 482–1963.


Andrew McGilvray,
Executive Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
International Trade Administration
[A–580–905]

4th Tier Cigarettes From the Republic of Korea: Postponement of Final Determination of Sales at Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigation

AGENCY: Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (Commerce) is postponing the deadline for issuing the final determination in the less-than-fair-value (LTFV) investigation of 4th tier cigarettes from the Republic of Korea (Korea) until December 4, 2020, and is extending the provisional measures from a four-month period to a period of not more than six months.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On January 7, 2020, Commerce initiated an LTFV investigation of imports of 4th tier cigarettes from Korea. The period of investigation is October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019. On July 22, 2020, Commerce published its Preliminary Determination in this LTFV investigation.\(^1\)

Postponement of Final Determination

Section 735(a)(2) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), and 19 CFR 351.210(b)(2) provide that a final determination may be postponed until not later than 135 days after the date of the publication of the preliminary determination if, in the event of an affirmative preliminary determination, a request for such postponement is made by the exporters or producers who account for a significant proportion of exports of the subject merchandise, or in the event of a negative preliminary determination, a request for such postponement is made by the petitioner. Further, 19 CFR 351.210(e)(2) requires that such postponement requests by exporters be accompanied by a request for extension of provisional measures from a four-month period to a period of not more than six months, in accordance with section 733(d) of the Act.

On July 22, 2020, KT&G Corporation (KT&G), the mandatory respondent in this investigation, requested that Commerce postpone the deadline for the final determination until no later than 135 days from the publication of the Preliminary Determination; and on July 28, 2020, KT&G requested that Commerce extend the application of the provisional measures from a four-month period to a period of not more than six months.\(^2\) In accordance with section 735(a)(2)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.210(b)(2)(ii), because: (1) The preliminary determination was affirmative; (2) the request was made by the exporter and producer who accounts for a significant proportion of exports of the subject merchandise; and (3) no compelling reasons for denial exist, Commerce is postponing the final determination until no later than 135 days after the date of the publication of the Preliminary Determination, and extending the provisional measures from a four-month period to a period of not more than six months. Accordingly, Commerce will issue its final determination no later than December 4, 2020.

Notice to Interested Parties

This notice is issued and published pursuant to section 735(a)(2) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.210(g).


Jeffrey I. Kessler,
Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

\(^1\) See 4th Tier Cigarettes from the Republic of Korea: Initiation of Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigation, 85 FR 2390 (January 15, 2020).