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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Bureau of the Census

#### National Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of public virtual meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of the Census (Census Bureau) is giving notice of a virtual meeting of the National Advisory Committee (NAC). The Committee will address updates on the 2015 National Content Test and Tribal Enrollment Question Focus Groups. The NAC will meet virtually on Thursday, April 21, 2016. Last minute changes to the schedule are possible, which could prevent giving advance public notice of schedule adjustments. Please visit the Census Advisory Committees Web site for the most current meeting agenda at: <http://www.census.gov/cac/>.

**DATES:** April 21, 2016. The virtual meeting will begin at approximately 2:00 p.m. ET and end at approximately 4:00 p.m. ET.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held via teleconference. To attend, participants should call the following phone number to access the audio portion of the meeting: 1-800-369-1730, passcode: 5198433. The meeting will be available via WebEx, please [CLICK HERE](#) for access. The meeting number is 744882915.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Tara Dunlop, Advisory Committee Branch Chief, Customer Liaison and Marketing Services Office, [tara.t.dunlop@census.gov](mailto:tara.t.dunlop@census.gov), Department of Commerce, U.S. Census Bureau, Room 8H177, 4600 Silver Hill Road, Washington, DC 20233, telephone 301-763-5222. For TTY callers, please use the Federal Relay Service 1-800-877-8339.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The NAC was established in March 2012 and operates in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Title 5, United States Code, Appendix 2, Section 10). The NAC members are appointed by the Director, Census Bureau, and consider topics such as hard to reach populations, race and ethnicity, language, aging populations,

American Indian and Alaska Native tribal considerations, new immigrant populations, populations affected by natural disasters, highly mobile and migrant populations, complex households, rural populations, and population segments with limited access to technology. The Committee also advises on data privacy and confidentiality, among other issues.

All meetings are open to the public. A brief period will be set aside at the meeting for public comment on April 21, 2016. However, individuals with extensive questions or statements must submit them in writing to: [census.national.advisory.committee@census.gov](mailto:census.national.advisory.committee@census.gov) (subject line "April 21, 2016, NAC Virtual Meeting Public Comment"), or by letter submission to the Committee Liaison Officer, Department of Commerce, U.S. Census Bureau, Room 8H119, 4600 Silver Hill Road, Washington, DC 20233.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

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#### Notification of Proposed Production Activity; Max Home, LLC; Subzone 158F (Upholstered Furniture); luka and Fulton, Mississippi

The Greater Mississippi Foreign-Trade Zone, Inc., grantee of FTZ 158, submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board on behalf of Max Home, LLC (Max Home), for its facilities in luka and Fulton, Mississippi. The notification conforming to the requirements of the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR 400.22) was received on March 17, 2016.

Max Home previously had authority to conduct cut-and-sew activity using certain foreign micro-denier suede upholstery fabrics to produce upholstered furniture and related parts (upholstery cover sets) on a restricted basis (see Board Order 1744, 76 FR 11425, March 2, 2011). Board Order 1744 authorized the production of upholstered furniture (chairs, seats, sofas, sleep sofas, and sectionals) for a five-year period, with a scope of authority that only provided FTZ savings on a limited quantity (2.23 million square yards per year) of foreign origin, micro-denier suede upholstery

fabric finished with a hot caustic soda solution process (*i.e.*, authorized fabrics). All foreign upholstery fabrics other than micro-denier suede finished with a hot caustic soda solution process (*i.e.*, unauthorized fabrics) used in Max Home's production within Subzone 158F were subject to full customs duties.

The current request seeks to renew Max Home's previously approved FTZ authority indefinitely (with no increase in the company's annual quantitative limit of 2.23 million square yards) and to add foreign-status leather and certain polyurethane-type fabrics to the scope of authority. Pursuant to 15 CFR 400.14(b), additional FTZ authority would be limited to the specific foreign-status materials and components and specific finished products described in the submitted notification (as described below) and subsequently authorized by the FTZ Board.

Production under FTZ procedures could exempt Max Home from customs duty payments on the foreign-status fabrics used in export production. On its domestic sales, Max Home would be able to apply the finished upholstery cover set (*i.e.*, furniture part) or finished furniture duty rate (free) for the previously authorized fabrics and the additional fabrics (indicated below). Customs duties also could possibly be deferred or reduced on foreign-status production equipment.

Authority to admit foreign-status fabrics to Subzone 158F would only involve micro-denier suede upholstery fabrics finished with a hot caustic soda solution process (classified within HTSUS Headings 5407, 5512, 5515, 5516, 5801, and 5903), polyurethane fabrics backed with ground leather (5903.20.2500), wet coagulation process 100 percent polyurethane coated fabrics (5903.20.2500), and upholstery leather (Heading 4107), as detailed in the notification (duty rate ranges from free to 14.9%).

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions shall be addressed to the FTZ Board's Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is May 18, 2016.

A copy of the notification will be available for public inspection at the Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, Room 21013, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230-0002, and in the "Reading Room" section of the FTZ Board's Web site, which is accessible via [www.trade.gov/ftz](http://www.trade.gov/ftz).