

Dated: March 21, 2014.

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Deputy Director, Bureau of Near Eastern Affairs, NEA/PI, Department of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 8676]

Culturally Significant Objects Imported for Exhibition Determinations: "The World Is an Apple": The Still Lives of Paul Cézanne

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 "The World Is an Apple": The Still Lives of Paul Cézanne, 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 Barnes Foundation, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, from on or about June 22, 2014, until on or about September 22, 2014, 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 imported objects, contact Paul W. Manning, Attorney-Adviser, Office of the Legal Adviser, U.S. Department of State (telephone: 202-632-6469). The mailing address is U.S. Department of State, SA-5, L/PD, Fifth Floor (Suite 5H03), Washington, DC 20522-0505.

Dated: March 24, 2014.

Kelly Keiderling,

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

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OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

Request for Comments on an Environmental Goods Agreement

AGENCY: Office of the United States Trade Representative.

ACTION: Request for comments and notice of public hearing.

SUMMARY: On March 21, 2014, the United States Trade Representative notified Congress of the Administration's intention to enter into negotiations for a World Trade Organization Environmental Goods Agreement. A copy of the notification is available at www.ustr.gov/sites/default/files/03212014-Letter-to-Congress.pdf. The Office of the U.S. Trade Representative, on behalf of the Trade Policy Staff Committee (TPSC), is seeking public comments regarding U.S. interests and priorities with respect to this initiative. Comments may be provided in writing and orally at a public hearing.

DATES: Written comments are due by midnight, May 5, 2014. Persons wishing to testify orally at the hearing must provide written notification of their intention, as well as a summary of their testimony, by midnight, May 5, 2014. The hearing will be held in Washington, DC, on June 5, 2014.

ADDRESSES: Comments from the public should be submitted electronically at www.regulations.gov. If you are unable to provide submissions at www.regulations.gov, please contact Yvonne Jamison, Trade Policy Staff Committee (TPSC), at (202) 395-3475, to arrange for an alternative method of transmission.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For procedural questions concerning written comments, please contact Yvonne Jamison, Trade Policy Coordination Assistant, at the above number. All other questions regarding this notice should be directed to Bill McElnea, Director for Environment and Natural Resources, at (202) 395-7320.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On January 24, a group of 14 WTO Members (Australia, Canada, China, Costa Rica, the European Union, Hong Kong, Japan, Korea, New Zealand, Norway, Singapore, Switzerland, Chinese Taipei, and the United States) accounting for 86 percent of global trade in environmental goods announced in a joint statement their interest in negotiating an agreement to eliminate tariffs on environmental goods that are

needed to protect the environment and address climate change. Examples of such environmental goods include solar panels, wind turbines, and catalytic converters, among others. The joint statement is available at: <http://www.ustr.gov/about-us/press-office/press-releases/2014/January/USTR-Froman-remarks-on-new-talks-towards-increased-trade-environmental-goods>.

The negotiations for an environmental goods agreement (EGA) will be open to all WTO Members that are prepared to eliminate tariffs on a set of environmental goods, building on the list of 54 environmental goods endorsed by APEC Leaders in 2012. The list of 54 environmental goods endorsed by Asia-Pacific Leaders is available at http://www.apec.org/Meeting-Papers/Leaders-Declarations/2012/2012_aelm/2012_aelm_annexC.aspx. Some WTO Members charge tariffs as high as 35 percent on some of these products. This list of products is the starting point for establishing the scope of the proposed agreement and we seek comments on additional products that could be included in the negotiations.

USTR is observing the relevant procedures of the Bipartisan Trade Promotion Authority Act of 2002 (19 U.S.C. 3804) with respect to notifying and consulting with Congress regarding such negotiations. The TPSC intends to hold a public hearing on specific issues pertaining to negotiations on an agreement to eliminate tariffs on environmental goods on June 5, 2014.

Comments From the Public and Hearing

The Chair of the TPSC invites interested persons to provide written comments and/or oral testimony at a public hearing that will assist USTR in assessing the proposed agreement. The TPSC Chair invites comments on all relevant matters, and, in particular, on the following: (1) Products that the United States should seek to include under the EGA, including a detailed description of the specific product, and as appropriate, the 6-digit (or 8-digit or 10-digit, where applicable) Harmonized System tariff classification number; (2) environmental uses and benefits of the products being proposed for inclusion; (3) U.S. trading partners that are significant producers or consumers of environmental goods; and (4) how best to ensure that such an agreement remains relevant into the future.

A hearing will be held on June 5, 2014, in Rooms 1 and 2, at 1724 F Street NW., Washington, DC. Persons wishing to testify at the hearing must provide written notification of their intention by May 5, 2014. The notification should include: (1) The name, address, and