notice shall not operate to extend the segregation for the lands described in the original notice. The segregation is necessary to provide protection of these additional lands for relief of legislation during the negotiation of the proposed Global Settlement with the San Idelfonso Pueblo (Pueblo of San Idelfonso v. the United States of America—Docket No. 354 Court of Federal Claims).

DATES: Comments should be received on or before March 30, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent to the Forest Supervisor, Santa Fe National Forest, 1474 Rodeo Road, P.O. Box 1689, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504— 1689.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michael Frazier, Santa Fe National Forest, 505–438–7824.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Forest Service proposes to add certain lands to its existing withdrawal application. These lands are in addition to those published in the Federal Register, 67 FR 7193, February 15, 2002. The following described public lands are to be withdrawn from location under the United States mining laws, subject to valid existing rights.

Santa Fe National Forest, New Mexico Principal Meridian

T. 20 N., R. 7 E.,

Sec. 17, NE¹/4NE¹/4SE¹/4, NW¹/4NW¹/4SE¹/4, N¹/2N¹/2SW¹/4, S¹/2SE¹/4SE¹/4, W¹/2W¹/2SW¹/4SW¹/4, W¹/2E¹/2W¹/2SW¹/4SW¹/4, E¹/2E¹/2W¹/2SW¹/4SW¹/4, E¹/2E¹/2W¹/2SW¹/4SW¹/4, E¹/2SW¹/4SW¹/4, SW¹/4SE¹/4, and SE¹/4SW¹/4;

Sec. 18, S½S½SE¼, N½S½SE¼, N½SE¼, N½SE¼, and SW¼;

Sec. 19, a portion of Tract 37 (11.26 acres), lot 5, and $N^{1/2}N^{1/2}NE^{1/4}$ (also a portion of Tract 40);

Sec. 20, NW¹/₄NE¹/₄, N¹/₂NI¹/₂NE¹/₄NW¹/₄, N¹/₂S¹/₂NI¹/₂NE¹/₄NW¹/₄ (also Tract 41), S¹/₂S¹/₂NI¹/₂NE¹/₄NW¹/₄, S¹/₂NE¹/₄NW¹/₄, and NW¹/₄NW¹/₄ (also a portion of Tract 40);

Sec. 21, lot 3.

The area described contains 739.71 acres in Rio Arriba County.

For a period of 90 days from the date of publication of this notice, all persons who wish to submit comments, suggestions, or objections in connection with the addition of lands to the proposed withdrawal may present their views in writing to the Forest Supervisor of the Santa Fe National Forest.

Notice is hereby given that a public meeting in connection with the proposed withdrawal will be held at a later date. A notice of time and place will be published in the **Federal Register** and a newspaper in the general vicinity of the lands to be withdrawn at

least 30 days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

From the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, the additional described lands will be segregated until February 14, 2004, as specified above unless the application is denied or canceled or the withdrawal is approved prior to that date.

Dated: November 25, 2003.

Carsten F. Goff,

Deputy State Director, Minerals and Lands. [FR Doc. 03–32236 Filed 12–30–03; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3410–11–P

INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Inv. Nos. TA-131-28 and TA-2104-10]

U.S.-Andean Countries Free Trade Agreement: Advice Concerning the Probable Economic Effect of Providing Duty-Free Treatment for Imports

AGENCY: International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Institution of investigation and scheduling of public hearing.

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 24, 2003.

SUMMARY: Following receipt of a request on December 8, 2003, from the United States Trade Representative (USTR), the Commission instituted investigation Nos. TA–131–28 and TA–2104–10, *U.S.-Andean Countries Free Trade Agreement: Advice Concerning the Probable Economic Effect of Providing Duty-Free Treatment for Imports, under section 131 of the Trade Act of 1974 and section 2104(b)(2) of the Trade Act of 2002.*

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Information specific to this investigation may be obtained from Dennis Fravel (202–205–3404; fravel@usitc.gov), or Tracy Quilter (202–205–3437; tquilter@usitc.gov), Office of Industries, United States International Trade Commission, Washington, DC, 20436. For information on the legal aspects of this investigation, contact William Gearhart of the Office of the General Counsel (202–205–3091; wgearhart@usitc.gov). General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server (http://www.usitc.gov).

Background: On November 18, 2003, the USTR notified the Congress of the President's intent to initiate a free trade agreement with Colombia, Peru, Ecuador, and Bolivia, the four Andean Trade Preference Act beneficiary countries. Accordingly, the USTR, pursuant to section 131 of the Trade Act

of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2151), requested the Commission to provide a report including advice as to the probable economic effect of providing duty-free treatment for imports of products from the Andean countries as a group (i) on industries in the United States producing like or directly competitive products, and (ii) on consumers. In preparing its advice, the Commission's analysis will consider each article in chapters 1 through 97 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States for which U.S. tariffs will remain after the United States fully implements its Uruguay Round tariff commitments. The import advice will be based on the 2003 Harmonized Tariff System nomenclature and 2002 trade data. The advice with respect to the removal of U.S. duties on imports from the Andean countries will assume that any known U.S. nontariff barrier will not be applicable to such imports. The Commission will note in its report any instance in which the continued application of a U.S. nontariff barrier to such imports would result in different advice with respect to the effect of the removal of the duty.

As also requested, pursuant to section 2104(b)(2) of the Trade Act of 2002 (19 U.S.C. 3804(b)(2)), the Commission will provide advice as to the probable economic effect of eliminating tariffs on imports of certain agricultural products of the Andean countries on (i) industries in the United States producing the product concerned, and (ii) the U.S. economy as a whole.

The Commission expects to provide its report to USTR by April 8, 2004. USTR indicated that the Commission's report will be classified and considered to be an interagency memorandum containing pre-decisional advice and subject to the deliberative process privilege.

Public Hearing: A public hearing in connection with the investigation will be held at the U.S. International Trade Commission Building, 500 E Street, SW., Washington, DC, beginning at 9:30 a.m. on February 10, 2004. Requests to appear at the public hearing should be filed with the Secretary, no later than 5:15 p.m., January 23, 2004, in accordance with the requirements in the "Submissions" section below. In the event that, as of the close of business on January 23, 2004, no witnesses are scheduled to appear at the hearing, the hearing will be canceled. Any person interested in attending the hearing as an observer or non-participant may call the Secretary (202-205-2000) after January 23, 2004, to determine whether the hearing will be held. This will be a joint hearing at which the Commission will

also take testimony in connection with its investigation *U.S.-Panama Free Trade Agreement: Advice Concerning the Probable Economic Effect of Providing Duty-Free Treatment for Imports* (investigation Nos. TA–131–27 and TA–2104–9).

Statements and Briefs: In lieu of or in addition to participating in the hearing, interested parties are invited to submit written statements or briefs concerning the investigation in accordance with the requirements in the "Submissions" section below. Any prehearing briefs or statements should be filed not later than 5:15 p.m., January 26, 2004; the deadline for filing post-hearing briefs or statements is 5:15 p.m., February 17, 2004.

Submissions: All written submissions including requests to appear at the hearing, statements, and briefs, should be addressed to the Secretary, United States International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20436. All written submissions must conform with the provisions of section 201.8 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR 201.8); any submissions that contain confidential business information must also conform with the requirements of section 201.6 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR 201.6). Section 201.8 of the rules require that a signed original (or a copy designated as an original) and fourteen (14) copies of each document be filed. In the event that confidential treatment of the document is requested, at least four (4) additional copies must be filed, in which the confidential information must be deleted. Section 201.6 of the rules require that the cover of the document and the individual pages clearly be marked as to whether they are the "confidential" or "nonconfidential" version, and that the confidential business information be clearly identified by means of brackets.

The Commission's rules do not authorize filing submissions with the Secretary by facsimile or electronic means, except to the extent permitted by section 201.8 of the Commission's Rules (19 CFR 201.8)(see Handbook for Electronic Filing Procedures, ftp://ftp.usitc.gov/pub/reports/electronic_filing_handbook.pdf). Persons with questions regarding electronic filing should contact the Secretary (202–205–2000 or edis@usitc.gov).

All written submissions, except for confidential business information, will be made available for inspection by interested parties. Accordingly, any confidential business information received by the Commission in this

investigation and used in preparing the report will not be published in a manner that would reveal the operations of the firm supplying the information.

The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS) at http://edis.usitc.gov. Hearing-impaired individuals are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting our TDD terminal on (202) 205–1810. Persons with mobility impairments who will need special assistance in gaining access to the Commission should contact the Office of the Secretary at 202–205–2000.

List of Subjects

Andean countries, imports, and tariffs

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Marilyn R. Abbott,

Secretary to the Commission.
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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation Nos. TA-131-27 and TA-2104-9]

U.S.-Panama Free Trade Agreement: Advice Concerning the Probable Economic Effect of Providing Duty-Free Treatment for Imports

AGENCY: International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Institution of investigations and scheduling of hearing.

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 24, 2003. SUMMARY: Following receipt of a request on December 8, 2003, from the United States Trade Representative (USTR), the Commission instituted investigation Nos. TA-131-27 and TA-2104-9, U.S.-Panama Free Trade Agreement: Advice Concerning the Probable Economic Effect of Providing Duty-Free Treatment for Imports, under section 131 of the Trade Act of 1974 and section 2104(b)(2) of the Trade Act of 2002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Information specific to these investigations may be obtained from Queena Fan, Project Leader (202–205–3055; qfan@usitc.gov), or Tracy Quilter, Deputy Project Leader (202–205–3437; tquilter@usitc.gov), Office of Industries, United States International Trade Commission, Washington, DC, 20436. For information on the legal aspects of these investigations, contact William Gearhart of the Office of the General Counsel (202–205–3091;

wgearhart@usitc.gov). General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server (http://www.usitc.gov).

Background: On November 18, 2003, the USTR notified the Congress of the President's intent to initiate free trade agreement negotiations with Panama. Accordingly, the USTR, pursuant to section 131 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2151), requested the Commission to provide a report including advice as to the probable economic effect of providing duty-free treatment for imports of products of Panama (i) on industries in the United States producing like or directly competitive products, and (ii) on consumers. In preparing the advice, the Commission's analysis will consider each article in chapters 1 through 97 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States for which U.S. tariffs will remain after the United States fully implements its Uruguay Round tariff commitments. The import advice will be based on the 2003 Harmonized Tariff System nomenclature and 2002 trade data. The advice with respect to the removal of U.S. duties on imports from Panama will assume that any known U.S. nontariff barrier will not be applicable to such imports. The Commission will note in its report any instance in which the continued application of a U.S. nontariff barrier to such imports would result in different advice with respect to the effect of the removal of the duty.

As also requested, pursuant to section 2104(b)(2) of the Trade Act of 2002 (19 U.S.C. 3804(b)(2)), the Commission will provide advice as to the probable economic effect of eliminating tariffs on imports of certain agricultural products of Panama on (i) industries in the United States producing the product concerned, and (ii) the U.S. economy as a whole.

The Commission expects to provide its report to the USTR by April 8, 2004. The USTR indicated that the Commission's report will be classified and considered to be an interagency memorandum containing pre-decisional advice and subject to the deliberative process privilege.

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