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Extension of the Deadlines for the Final Scope Rulings

On May 24, 2022, the U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) initiated scope inquiries to determine whether wooden cabinets, vanities, and components thereof (wooden cabinets) from the People's Republic of China (China), which undergo further processing in Malaysia or Vietnam, and are then exported to the United States, are within the scope of the antidumping (AD) and countervailing duty (CVD) orders on wooden cabinets from China.¹

On September 21, 2022, Commerce extended the deadline for the final scope rulings by 177 days pursuant to 19 CFR 351.225(e)(2) until March 17, 2023.² On March 16, 2023, Commerce exercised its discretion and issued preliminary scope rulings pursuant to 19 CFR 351.225(g).³

¹ See Memoranda, "Initiation of Scope Inquiry," both dated May 24, 2022; see also *Wooden Cabinets and Vanities and Components Thereof from the People's Republic of China: Antidumping Duty Order*, 85 FR 22126 (April 21, 2020); and *Wooden Cabinets and Vanities and Components Thereof from the People's Republic of China: Countervailing Duty Order*, 85 FR 22134 (April 21, 2020) (collectively, *Orders*).

² See Memorandum, "Extension of Deadline for Final Scope Ruling; Alignment of Deadlines for Circumvention Inquiry with Deadline for Scope Ruling; Extension of Deadline for Final Circumvention Determinations," dated September 21, 2022 at 1 (Deadline Extension I).

³ See Memoranda, "Preliminary Scope Determination," dated March 15, 2023.



On March 16, 2023, Commerce extended the deadline for issuing the final scope ruling by 93 days until June 16, 2023, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.302(b).⁴ On June 2, 2023, Commerce extended the deadline for issuing the final scope ruling by 62 days until August 17, 2023, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.302(b).⁵ On August 10, 2023, Commerce extended the deadline for issue the final scope ruling by 46 days until October 2, 2023, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.302(b).⁶ On September 29, 2023, Commerce extended the deadline for issue the final scope ruling by 120 days until January 26, 2024, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.302(b).⁷

From September 19, 2023, until December 11, 2023, Commerce received comments and rebuttal comments on its post-preliminary scope determination.⁸ Commerce requires time to respond to these comments, and prepare and issue the final determinations. As a result, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.302(b), we hereby extend the deadline for issuing the final determination in these scope inquiries by 70 days until **April 5, 2024**.

Extension of Deadlines for the Preliminary Circumvention Determinations

On September 22, 2022, Commerce aligned the preliminary determination deadline for the circumvention inquiries with the deadline for the final scope rulings pursuant to 19 CFR 351.226(e)(3).⁹ On March 16, 2023, Commerce extended the preliminary circumvention determinations deadline until 14 days after the final scope ruling deadline pursuant to 19 CFR 351.302(b), until June 30, 2023.¹⁰ On June 2, 2023, Commerce extended the deadline for issuing the preliminary circumvention determinations by 62 days until August 31, 2023, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.302(b).¹¹ On August 10, 2023, Commerce extended the deadline for issuing the preliminary circumvention determinations by an additional 46 days until October 16, 2023, pursuant to CFR 351.302(b).¹² On September 29, 2023, Commerce extended the deadline for issuing the preliminary circumvention determinations by an additional 120 days until February 13, 2024, pursuant to CFR 351.302(b).¹³

Because we are extending the deadlines for issuing the final scope determinations, we are also extending the deadline of the preliminary circumvention determination to maintain the 14-day lag between the final scope determination and preliminary circumvention determination deadlines pursuant to 19 CFR 351.302(b), such that the new deadline for the preliminary circumvention determinations is now **April 19, 2024**.

⁴ See Memorandum, “Extension of Deadlines for Final Scope Ruling, Preliminary Circumvention Determinations, and Final Circumvention Determinations,” dated March 16, 2023 (Deadline Extension).

⁵ See Memorandum, “Extension of Deadlines for Final Scope Ruling, Preliminary Circumvention Determinations, and Final Circumvention Determinations,” dated June 16, 2023 (Deadline Extension II).

⁶ See Memorandum, “Extension of Deadlines for Final Scope Ruling, Preliminary Circumvention Determinations, and Final Circumvention Determinations,” dated August 10, 2023 (Deadline Extension III).

⁷ See Memorandum, “Extension of Deadlines for Final Scope Ruling, Preliminary Circumvention Determinations, and Final Circumvention Determinations,” dated September 29, 2023 (Deadline Extension IV).

⁸ See Memorandum “Post-Preliminary Analysis,” dated September 28, 2023.

⁹ See Extension at 2.

¹⁰ See Deadline Extension I.

¹¹ See Deadline Extension II.

¹² See Deadline Extension III.

¹³ See Deadline Extension IV.

Extension of Deadline for Final Circumvention Determinations

On September 22, 2022, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.226(e)(2) Commerce extended the deadline for the final determinations in the circumvention inquiries by 64 days until June 9, 2023. On March 16, 2023, Commerce extended the deadline till 109 days after the final scope determination deadlines pursuant to 19 CFR 351.302(b), until September 26, 2023.¹⁴ On June 2, 2023, Commerce extended the deadline for issuing the final scope ruling by 63 days until November 28, 2023, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.302(b).¹⁵ On August 10, 2023, Commerce extended the deadline for issuing the final circumvention determinations by 46 days until January 13, 2024, pursuant to CFR 351.302(b).¹⁶ On September 23, 2023, Commerce extended the deadline for issuing the final circumvention determinations by 120 days until May 12, 2024, pursuant to CFR 351.302(b).¹⁷

Because we extended the deadline for the preliminary circumvention determinations, we are extending the deadline of the final circumvention determination by 90 days to maintain the 90-day lag between the preliminary and final circumvention determinations pursuant to 19 CFR 351.302(b), such that the new deadline for the final circumvention determinations is now **July 18, 2024**.

¹⁴ *Id.*

¹⁵ *See* Deadline Extension II.

¹⁶ *See* Deadline Extension III.

¹⁷ *See* Deadline Extension IV.