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MEMORANDUM TO: The File

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RE: Circumvention and Scope Inquiries of Certain Hardwood Plywood Products from the People's Republic of China

SUBJECT: Eighth Extension of Deadline for Issuing the Final Determinations

On June 17, 2020, the U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) published the initiation notice of these circumvention and scope inquiries of the antidumping and countervailing duty orders on certain hardwood plywood products from the People's Republic of China.¹ On July 29, 2022, Commerce published the preliminary determination in these circumvention and scope inquiries.² On May 1, 2023, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.302(b), Commerce extended the deadline for issuing the final determination in these circumvention and scope inquiries until May 26, 2023.³ Additionally, Commerce extended the deadline to submit certifications of entries during the June 17, 2020, to August 28, 2022 period until thirty days after the deadline for the final determination of these inquiries.⁴

Commerce received a significant number of case and rebuttal briefs and needs additional time to analyze, consider, and respond to issues raised in those briefs prior to issuing the final determinations in these circumvention and scope inquiries. Accordingly, and pursuant to 19 CFR 351.302(b), we are hereby extending the deadline for issuing the final determinations in these circumvention and scope inquiries until **July 14, 2023**.⁵

¹ See *Certain Hardwood Plywood Products from the People's Republic of China: Initiation of Anti-Circumvention and Scope Inquiries on the Antidumping Duty and Countervailing Duty Orders*, 85 FR 36530 (June 17, 2020).

² See *Certain Hardwood Plywood Products from the People's Republic of China: Preliminary Scope Determination and Affirmative Preliminary Determination of Circumvention of the Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Orders*, 87 FR 45753 (July 29, 2022).

³ See Memorandum, "Eighth Extension of Deadline for Issuing the Final Determinations," dated May 1, 2023.

⁴ See Memorandum, "Extension of Deadline to Certify Certain Entries of Hardwood Plywood and Response to Ministerial Error Allegations," dated November 30, 2022; see also *Certain Hardwood Plywood Products from the People's Republic of China: Preliminary Scope Determination and Affirmative Preliminary Determination of Circumvention of the Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Orders; Extension of Deadline To Certify Certain Entries*, 87 FR 75231, 75232 (December 8, 2022).

⁵ Consistent with prior guidance regarding certification of entries for the period from June 17, 2020, to August 28, 2022, certifications are due 30 days after the signature date of the extended final determinations (*i.e.*, August 14, 2023, unless these final determinations are signed earlier than that date).

