

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, 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 “Pleasure and Piety: The Art of Joachim Wtewael,” 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 National Gallery of Art, Washington, DC, from on or about June 28, 2015, until on or about October 4, 2015, at the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, Houston, Texas, from on or about November 1, 2015, until on or about January 31, 2016, 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 lists of the exhibit objects, contact the Office of Public Diplomacy and Public Affairs in the Office of the Legal Adviser, U.S. Department of State (telephone: 202–632–6471; email: [section2459@state.gov](mailto:section2459@state.gov)). The mailing address is U.S. Department of State, L/DP, SA–5, Suite 5H03, Washington, DC 20522–0505.

Dated: March 10, 2015.

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**OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES  
TRADE REPRESENTATIVE**

[Dispute No. WT/DS489]

**WTO Dispute Settlement Proceeding  
Regarding Certain Measures Providing  
Export-Contingent Subsidies to  
Enterprises in Several Industrial  
Sectors in China**

**AGENCY:** Office of the United States Trade Representative.

**ACTION:** Notice; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Office of the United States Trade Representative (“USTR”) is providing notice that on February 11, 2015, the United States requested consultations with the Government of

the People’s Republic of China (“China”) under the *Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization* (“WTO Agreement”) concerning certain measures providing export-contingent subsidies to enterprises in several industrial sectors in China. That request may be found at [www.wto.org](http://www.wto.org), contained in a document designated as WT/DS489/1. USTR invites written comments from the public concerning the issues raised in this dispute.

**DATES:** Although USTR will accept any comments received during the course of the dispute settlement proceedings, comments should be submitted on or before April 15, 2015 to assure timely consideration by USTR.

**ADDRESSES:** Public comments should be submitted electronically at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov), docket number USTR–2015–0004. If you are unable to provide submissions at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov), please contact Sandy McKinzy at (202) 395–9483 to arrange for an alternative method of transmission.

If (as explained below) the comment contains confidential information, then the comment should be submitted by fax only to Sandy McKinzy at (202) 395–3640.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Arthur Tsao, Assistant General Counsel, Office of the United States Trade Representative, (202) 395–3150.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** USTR is providing notice that consultations have been requested pursuant to the WTO *Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes* (“DSU”). If such consultations should fail to resolve the matter and a dispute settlement panel is established pursuant to the DSU, such a panel, which would hold its meetings in Geneva, Switzerland, would be expected to issue a report on its findings and recommendations pursuant to Article 12 of the DSU.

**Major Issues Raised by the United States**

On February 11, 2015, the United States requested consultations with China concerning certain measures providing export-contingent subsidies to enterprises in several industrial sectors in China. It appears that China provides export-contingent subsidies through a program establishing “Foreign Trade Transformation and Upgrading Demonstration Bases” (“Demonstration Bases”) and “Common Service Platforms”. Demonstration Bases are industrial clusters of enterprises in several Chinese industries, including

the textiles, agriculture, medical products, light industry, special chemical engineering, new materials, and hardware and building materials industries. Common Service Platforms are service suppliers designated by China to provide services to enterprises in Demonstration Bases. China designates an industrial cluster of enterprises in a particular industry as a Demonstration Base and then provides export-contingent subsidies to the enterprises located in the Demonstration Base. These subsidies include the provision of discounted or free services through Common Service Platforms or the provision of cash grants. In addition, it appears that China provides certain other export-contingent subsidies to Chinese manufacturers, producers, and farmers.

The Demonstration Base/Common Service Platform program and the export subsidies at issue are reflected in legal instruments that include, but are not limited to, the instruments set out in the consultations request.

Because the Demonstration Base/Common Service Platform program and the export subsidies at issue provide subsidies contingent upon export performance to enterprises located in China, the measures appear to be inconsistent with Article 3.1(a) of the SCM Agreement, and China appears to have acted inconsistently with Article 3.2 of the SCM Agreement.

**Public Comment: Requirements for Submissions**

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments concerning the issues raised in this dispute. Persons may submit public comments electronically to [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov), docket number USTR–2015–0004. If you are unable to provide submissions by [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov), please contact Sandy McKinzy at (202) 395–9483 to arrange for an alternative method of transmission.

To submit comments via [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov), enter docket number USTR–2015–0004 on the home page and click “search.” The site will provide a search-results page listing all documents associated with this docket. Find a reference to this notice by selecting “Notice” under “Document Type” on the left side of the search-results page, and click on the link entitled “Submit a Comment” (For further information on using the [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) Web site, please consult the resources provided on the Web site by clicking on “How to Use This Site” on the left side of the home page).

The [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) Web site allows users to provide comments by filling in a "Type Comments" field, or by attaching a document using an "Upload File" field. It is expected that most comments will be provided in an attached document. If a document is attached, it is sufficient to type "See attached" in the "Type Comments" field.

A person requesting that information, contained in a comment that he submitted, be treated as confidential business information must certify that such information is business confidential and would not customarily be released to the public by the submitter. Confidential business information must be clearly designated as such and the submission must be marked "BUSINESS CONFIDENTIAL" at the top and bottom of the cover page and each succeeding page. Any comment containing business confidential information must be submitted by fax to Sandy McKinzy at (202) 395-3640. A non-confidential summary of the confidential information must be submitted at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov). The non-confidential summary will be placed in the docket and will be open to public inspection.

USTR may determine that information or advice contained in a comment submitted, other than business confidential information, is confidential in accordance with section 135(g)(2) of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. § 2155(g)(2)). If the submitter believes that information or advice may qualify as such, the submitter—

- (1) Must clearly so designate the information or advice;
- (2) Must clearly mark the material as "SUBMITTED IN CONFIDENCE" at the top and bottom of the cover page and each succeeding page; and
- (3) Must provide a non-confidential summary of the information or advice.

Any comment containing confidential information must be submitted by fax. A non-confidential summary of the confidential information must be submitted at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov). The non-confidential summary will be placed in the docket and will be open to public inspection.

Pursuant to section 127(e) of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act (19 U.S.C. 3537(e)), USTR will maintain a docket on this dispute settlement proceeding, docket number USTR-2015-0004, accessible to the public at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov). The public file will include non-confidential comments received by USTR from the public regarding the dispute. If a dispute settlement panel is convened, or in the

event of an appeal from such a panel, the following documents will be made available to the public at [www.ustr.gov](http://www.ustr.gov): The United States' submissions, any non-confidential submissions received from other participants in the dispute, and any non-confidential summaries of submissions received from other participants in the dispute. In the event that a dispute settlement panel is convened, or in the event of an appeal from such a panel, the report of the panel, and, if applicable, the report of the Appellate Body, will also be available on the Web site of the World Trade Organization at [www.wto.org](http://www.wto.org). Comments open to public inspection may be viewed at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov).

**Annelies Winborne,**

*Deputy Assistant United States Trade Representative for Monitoring and Enforcement.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

**Federal Aviation Administration**

**Noise Exposure Map: Alexandria International Airport, Alexandria, Louisiana**

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration, DOT.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) announces its determination that the noise exposure maps submitted by the England Economic and Industrial Development District for Alexandria International Airport under the provisions of 49 U.S.C. 47503 et. seq (Aviation Safety and Noise Abatement Act) and 14 CFR part 150 are in compliance with applicable requirements.

**DATES:** *Effective:* The effective date of the FAA's determination on the noise exposure maps is March 20, 2015.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** DOT/FAA Southwest Region, Tim Tandy, Environmental Protection Specialist, Louisiana/New Mexico Airports District Office, ASW-640D, 2601 Meacham Boulevard, Fort Worth, Texas 76137. Telephone (817) 222-5644.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice announces that the FAA finds that the noise exposure maps submitted for Alexandria International Airport are in compliance with applicable requirements of Part 150, effective March 20, 2015. Under 49 U.S.C. 47503 of the Aviation Safety and Noise

Abatement Act (hereinafter referred to as "the Act"), an airport operator may submit to the FAA noise exposure maps which meet applicable regulations and which depict non-compatible land uses as of the date of submission of such maps, a description of projected aircraft operations, and the ways in which such operations will affect such maps. The Act requires such maps to be developed in consultation with interested and affected parties in the local community, government agencies, and persons using the airport. An airport operator who has submitted noise exposure maps that are found by FAA to be in compliance with the requirements of Federal Aviation Regulations (FAR) Part 150, promulgated pursuant to the Act, may submit a noise compatibility program for FAA approval which sets forth the measures the operator has taken or proposes to take to reduce existing non-compatible uses and prevent the introduction of additional non-compatible uses.

The FAA has completed its review of the noise exposure maps and accompanying documentation submitted by the England Economic and Industrial Development District. The documentation that constitutes the "noise exposure maps" as defined in section 150.7 of Part 150 includes: Figure 3.3, 2013 Existing Conditions North Flow Flight Tracks; Figure 3.4, 2013 Existing Conditions South Flow Flight Tracks; Figure 4.1, 2013 Existing Condition Noise Exposure Map; Figure 5.1, 2019 Future Condition North Flow Flight Tracks; Figure 5.2, 2019 Future Condition South Flow Flight Tracks; Figure 6.1, 2019 Future Condition Noise Exposure Map; Figure J.1., Existing & Future North Flow Flight Tracks; Figure J.2, Existing & Future South Flow Flight Tracks; Figure J.3, 2013 Existing Condition Noise Exposure Map; 2019 Future Condition Noise Exposure Map; Table 3.1, Historical Annual Operations from ATADS; Table 3.2, Historical Annual Operations from TFMSC; Table 3.3, Total Operations from NOP; Table 3.4, Total Number of Operations for 2013; Table 3.5, Calculated Scaling Factor by Operational Category; Table 3.6, 2013 Runway and Helipad Utilization Rate; Table 4.1, 2013 Existing Condition Noise Exposure Estimates; Table 5.1, Total Number of Operations for 2019; Table 5.2, 2019 Runway and Helipad Utilization Rate; Table 6.1, 2019 Future Condition Noise Exposure Estimates. The FAA has determined that these noise exposure maps and accompanying documentation are in compliance with applicable