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To file a program discrimination complaint, a complainant should complete a Form AD-3027, USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, which can be obtained online at <https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/ad-3027.pdf>, from any USDA office, by calling (866) 632-9992, or by writing a letter addressed to USDA. The letter must contain the complainant's name, address, telephone number, and a written description of the alleged discriminatory action in sufficient detail to inform the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights (ASCR) about the nature and date of an alleged civil rights violation.

The completed AD-3027 form or letter must be submitted to USDA by:

(1) *Mail*: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20250-9410; or

(2) *Fax*: (833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or

(3) *Email*: [program.intake@usda.gov](mailto:program.intake@usda.gov).

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**Andrew Berke,**

*Administrator, Rural Utilities Service, USDA Rural Development.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Census Bureau

#### Census Scientific Advisory Committee; Request for Nominations

**AGENCY:** Census Bureau, Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of request for nominations.

**SUMMARY:** The Bureau of the Census (Census Bureau) requests nominations of individuals to the Census Scientific Advisory Committee (CSAC or Committee). The Census Bureau will consider nominations received in response to this notice, as well as from other sources. The **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this notice provides Committee and membership criteria.

**DATES:** Please submit nominations by February 2, 2024. The Census Bureau will retain nominations received after this date for consideration should additional vacancies occur.

**ADDRESSES:** Please submit nominations to the *census.scientific.advisory.committee@census.gov* (subject line "2024 CSAC Nominations").

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Shana Banks, Chief, Advisory Committee Branch, Office of Program, Performance and Stakeholder Integration (PPSI), Census Bureau, by telephone at 301-763-3815 or by email at [Shana.J.Banks@census.gov](mailto:Shana.J.Banks@census.gov).

Individuals who use telecommunication devices for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339 between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m., eastern standard time, Monday through Friday.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Census Scientific Advisory Committee was established in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) title 5, United States Code (U.S.C.), app. The following provides information about the Committee, membership, and the nomination process.

#### Objectives and Duties

1. The Census Scientific Advisory Committee advises the Director of the U.S. Census Bureau on the full range of Census Bureau programs and activities including communications, demographic, economic, field operations, geography, information technology, and statistics.

2. The Census Scientific Advisory Committee will address census policies, research and methodology, tests, operations, communications/messaging, and other activities to ascertain needs and best practices to improve censuses, surveys, operations, and programs.

3. The Census Scientific Advisory Committee will provide formal review and feedback on internal and external working papers, reports, and other documents related to the design and implementation of census programs and surveys.

4. The Census Scientific Advisory Committee will function solely as an

advisory body and shall comply fully with the provisions of the FACA.

5. The Census Scientific Advisory Committee reports to the Director of the Census Bureau.

#### Membership

1. The Census Scientific Advisory Committee consists of up to 21 members who are appointed by and serve at the discretion of the Director of the Census Bureau.

2. Members will serve for a three-year term. All members will be evaluated at the conclusion of their first term with the prospect of renewal, pending Committee needs. Active attendance and participation in meetings and activities will be factors considered when determining term renewal or membership continuance. Members may be appointed for a second three-year term at the discretion of the Director.

3. Members shall serve as Special Government Employees (SGEs) and will be subject to the ethics rules applicable to SGEs.

4. The Census Scientific Advisory Committee aims to have balanced representation among its members, considering such factors as geography, scientific expertise, community involvement, and knowledge of census programs and/or activities, and, where possible the Census Bureau will consider the ethnic, racial, and gender diversity and various abilities of the United States population.

5. No employee of the Federal Government can serve as a member of the Census Scientific Advisory Committee.

#### Miscellaneous

1. The Census Bureau will not compensate members of the Committee for their services, but shall, upon request, reimburse travel expenses as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 5703.

2. The Census Scientific Advisory Committee will convene twice per year, budget and environmental conditions permitting. The Committee will use formal advisory committee meetings, webinars, working groups, and other means of review to accomplish its goals, consistent with the requirements of FACA.

#### Nomination Information

1. Nominations are requested as described above.

2. Nominees must have scientific and technical expertise in such areas as communications, demographic, economic, field operations, geography, information technology, and statistics. Such knowledge and expertise are needed to provide advice and

recommendations to the Director of the Census Bureau on the trends, uses, and application of scientific innovations and developments in relation to the full range of Census Bureau programs and activities.

3. The Census Bureau is especially interested in receiving applications from persons with expertise in survey methodology, information technology, computer science and engineering, geography, psychology, business/finance, sociology, and marketing.

4. Individuals, groups, and/or organizations may submit nominations on behalf of individual candidates. A summary of the candidate's qualifications (resumé or curriculum vitae) must be included along with the nomination letter. Nominees must be able to actively participate in the tasks of the Census Scientific Advisory Committee, including, but not limited to, regular meeting attendance, Committee meeting discussion responsibilities, review of materials, as well as participation in conference calls, webinars, working groups, and/or special Committee activities.

5. The Department of Commerce is committed to equal opportunity in the workplace and seeks diverse Committee membership.

Robert L. Santos, Director, Census Bureau, approved the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: December 26, 2023.

**Shannon Wink,**

*Program Analyst, Policy Coordination Office,  
U.S. Census Bureau.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[S-192-2023]

#### Approval of Expansion of Subzone 144C; Orgill, Inc.; Tifton, Georgia

On September 28, 2023, the Executive Secretary of the Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) Board docketed an application submitted by the Brunswick and Glynn County Development Authority, grantee of FTZ 144, requesting an expansion of Subzone 144C subject to the existing activation limit of FTZ 144, on behalf of Orgill, Inc., in Tifton, Georgia.

The application was processed in accordance with the FTZ Act and Regulations, including notice in the **Federal Register** inviting public comment (88 FR 69116, October 5, 2023). The FTZ staff examiner reviewed the application and determined that it

meets the criteria for approval. Pursuant to the authority delegated to the FTZ Board Executive Secretary (15 CFR 400.36(f)), the application to expand Subzone 144C was approved on December 26, 2023, subject to the FTZ Act and the Board's regulations, including section 400.13, and further subject to FTZ 144's 2,000-acre activation limit.

Dated: December 26, 2023.

**Camille R. Evans,**

*Acting Executive Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[C-560-839]

#### Mattresses From Indonesia: Preliminary Negative Countervailing Duty Determination and Alignment of Final Determination With the Final Antidumping Duty Determination

**AGENCY:** Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that countervailable subsidies are not being provided to producers and exporters of mattresses from Indonesia. The period of investigation (POI) is January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022. Interested parties are invited to comment on this preliminary determination.

**DATES:** Applicable January 2, 2024.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Natasia Harrison or Harrison Tanchuck, AD/CVD Operations, Office VI, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-1240 or (202) 482-7421, respectively.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

This preliminary determination is made in accordance with section 703(b) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). Commerce published the notice of initiation of this countervailing duty (CVD) investigation on August 23, 2023.<sup>1</sup> On October 5, 2023, Commerce postponed the preliminary

determination until December 26, 2023.<sup>2</sup>

For a complete description of events that followed the initiation of this investigation, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.<sup>3</sup> A list of topics discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum is included as Appendix II to this notice. The Preliminary Decision Memorandum is a public document and is on file electronically via Enforcement and Compliance's Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS). ACCESS is available to registered users at <https://access.trade.gov>. In addition, a complete version of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly at <https://access.trade.gov/public/FRNoticesListLayout.aspx>.

#### Scope of the Investigation

The products covered by this investigation are mattresses from Indonesia. For a complete description of the scope of this investigation, see Appendix I.

#### Scope Comments

In accordance with the preamble to Commerce's regulations,<sup>4</sup> the *Initiation Notice* set aside a period of time for parties to raise issues regarding product coverage, (*i.e.*, scope).<sup>5</sup> We received comments concerning the scope of the concurrent antidumping duty (AD) investigations of mattresses as it appeared in the *Initiation Notice*.<sup>6</sup> We are currently evaluating the scope comments filed by the interested parties and intend to issue our preliminary decision regarding the scope of the AD and CVD investigations prior to or concurrently with the AD preliminary determinations. We will incorporate the scope decisions from the AD investigations into the scope of the final CVD determination for this investigation, after considering any relevant comments submitted in scope case and rebuttal briefs.<sup>7</sup>

<sup>2</sup> See *Mattresses from Indonesia: Postponement of Preliminary Determination in the Countervailing Duty Investigation*, 88 FR 69132 (October 5, 2023).

<sup>3</sup> See Memorandum, "Decision Memorandum for the Preliminary Negative Determination of the Countervailing Duty Investigation of Mattresses from Indonesia," dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Preliminary Decision Memorandum).

<sup>4</sup> See *Antidumping Duties; Countervailing Duties, Final Rule*, 62 FR 27296, 27323 (May 19, 1997).

<sup>5</sup> See *Initiation Notice*, 88 FR at 57413.

<sup>6</sup> See Preliminary Decision Memorandum at 5-6.

<sup>7</sup> The deadline for interested parties to submit scope case and rebuttal briefs will be established in the preliminary scope decision memorandum.

<sup>1</sup> See *Mattresses from Indonesia: Initiation of Countervailing Duty Investigation*, 88 FR 57412 (August 23, 2023) (*Initiation Notice*).