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RE: INITIATION OF DYNAMIC RANDOM ACCESS MEMORY SEMICONDUCTORS OF ONE MEGABIT AND ABOVE (DRAMs) FROM TAIWAN (A-583-832)

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RE: INITIATION OF DYNAMIC RANDOM ACCESS MEMORY SEMICONDUCTORS OF ONE MEGABIT AND ABOVE (DRAMs) FROM TAIWAN (A-583-832)

1. ON NOVEMBER 18, 1998 THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE WILL PUBLISH IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER ITS INITIATION OF DYNAMIC RANDOM ACCESS MEMORY SEMICONDUCTORS OF ONE MEGABIT AND ABOVE (DRAMs) FROM TAIWAN (A-583-832).
2. THE PRODUCTS COVERED BY THIS INVESTIGATION ARE DRAMs FROM TAIWAN, WHETHER ASSEMBLED OR UNASSEMBLED. ASSEMBLED DRAMs INCLUDE ALL PACKAGE TYPES. UNASSEMBLED DRAMs INCLUDE PROCESSED WAFERS, UNCUT DIE, AND CUT DIE. PROCESSED WAFERS FABRICATED IN TAIWAN, BUT PACKAGED OR ASSEMBLED INTO

FINISHED SEMICONDUCTORS IN A THIRD COUNTRY ARE INCLUDED IN THE SCOPE. WAFERS FABRICATED IN A THIRD COUNTRY AND ASSEMBLED OR PACKAGED IN TAIWAN ARE NOT INCLUDED IN THE SCOPE.

THE SCOPE OF THIS INVESTIGATION INCLUDES MEMORY MODULES. A MEMORY MODULE IS A COLLECTION OF DRAMs, THE SOLE FUNCTION OF WHICH IS MEMORY. MODULES INCLUDE SINGLE IN-LINE PROCESSING MODULES ("SIPS"), SINGLE IN-LINE MEMORY MODULES ("SIMMS"), DUAL IN-LINE MEMORY MODULES ("DIMMS"), MEMORY CARDS OR OTHER COLLECTIONS OF DRAMs WHETHER MOUNTED OR UNMOUNTED ON A CIRCUIT BOARD. MODULES THAT CONTAIN OTHER PARTS THAT ARE NEEDED TO SUPPORT THE FUNCTION OF MEMORY ARE COVERED. ONLY THOSE MODULES THAT CONTAIN ADDITIONAL ITEMS THAT ALTER THE FUNCTION OF THE MODULE TO SOMETHING OTHER THAN MEMORY, SUCH AS VIDEO GRAPHICS ADAPTER ("VGA") BOARDS AND CARDS, ARE NOT INCLUDED IN THE SCOPE. MODULES CONTAINING DRAMs MADE FROM WAFERS FABRICATED IN TAIWAN, BUT EITHER ASSEMBLED OR PACKAGED INTO FINISHED SEMICONDUCTORS IN A THIRD COUNTRY, ARE ALSO INCLUDED IN THE SCOPE.

THE SCOPE INCLUDES, BUT IS NOT LIMITED TO, VIDEO RAM ("VRAM"), WINDOWS RAM ("WRAM"), SYNCHRONOUS GRAPHICS RAM ("SGRAM"), AS WELL AS VARIOUS TYPES OF DRAM, INCLUDING FAST PAGE-MODE ("FPM"), EXTENDED DATA-OUT ("EDO"), BURST EXTENDED DATA-OUT ("BEDO") SYNCHRONOUS DYNAMIC RAM ("SDRAM"), AND "RAMBUS" DRAM ("RDRAM").

THE SCOPE OF THIS INVESTIGATION ALSO INCLUDES ANY FUTURE DENSITY, PACKAGING OR ASSEMBLING OF DRAMs. THE SCOPE OF THIS INVESTIGATION DOES NOT INCLUDE DRAMs OR MEMORY MODULES THAT ARE REIMPORTED FOR REPAIR OR REPLACEMENT.

THE DRAMs SUBJECT TO THIS INVESTIGATION ARE CURRENTLY CLASSIFIABLE UNDER SUBHEADINGS 8542.13.80.05 AND 8542.13.80.24 THROUGH 8542.13.80.34 OF THE HARMONIZED TARIFF SCHEDULE OF THE UNITED STATES ("HTSUS"). ALSO INCLUDED IN THE SCOPE ARE TAIWANESE DRAM MODULES, DESCRIBED ABOVE, ENTERED INTO THE

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UNITED STATES UNDER SUBHEADING AND 8473.30.10.90 OF THE HTSUS OR POSSIBLY OTHER HTSUS NUMBERS. ALTHOUGH THE HTSUS SUBHEADINGS ARE PROVIDED FOR CONVENIENCE AND CUSTOMS PURPOSES, THE WRITTEN DESCRIPTION OF THE SCOPE OF THIS INVESTIGATION IS DISPOSITIVE.

3. FOR FURTHER REPORTING PURPOSES THIS CASE HAS BEEN ASSIGNED INVESTIGATION NUMBER (A-583-832)

4. IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS MATTER BY CUSTOMS OFFICERS, PLEASE CONTACT VIA E-MAIL, THROUGH THE APPROPRIATE SUPERVISORY CHANNELS, OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCY LIAISON, USING THE ATTRIBUTE "HQ OAB." THE IMPORTING PUBLIC AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES SHOULD CONTACT RON TRENTAM, OFFICE OF AD/CVD ENFORCEMENT, IMPORT ADMINISTRATION, INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, AT (202) 482-6320.

5. THERE ARE NO RESTRICTIONS ON THE RELEASE OF THIS INFORMATION.

PAUL SCHWARTZ

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