

October 26, 2005

The Honorable Mike Crapo
Chairman
Subcommittee on International Trade and Finance
Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

I hereby report to the Congress the export licensing actions taken by the Department of Commerce's Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS) relating to exports of agricultural commodities to Cuba for the most recent calendar quarter, July-September 2005, as required by the Trade Sanctions Reform and Export Enhancement Act of 2000 (TSRA) (Title IX of Pub.L. 106-387). This report is required by Section 906(b) of TSRA.

For the reporting period, BIS received 54 notifications under License Exception Agricultural Commodities (AGR). All of these were approved, in an average processing time of 14 days. BIS also processed and approved 17 export license applications for TSRA-eligible commodities to Cuba during the reporting period, in an average of 22 days, and returned three license applications without action, in an average of 3 days. A chart illustrating this information is enclosed.

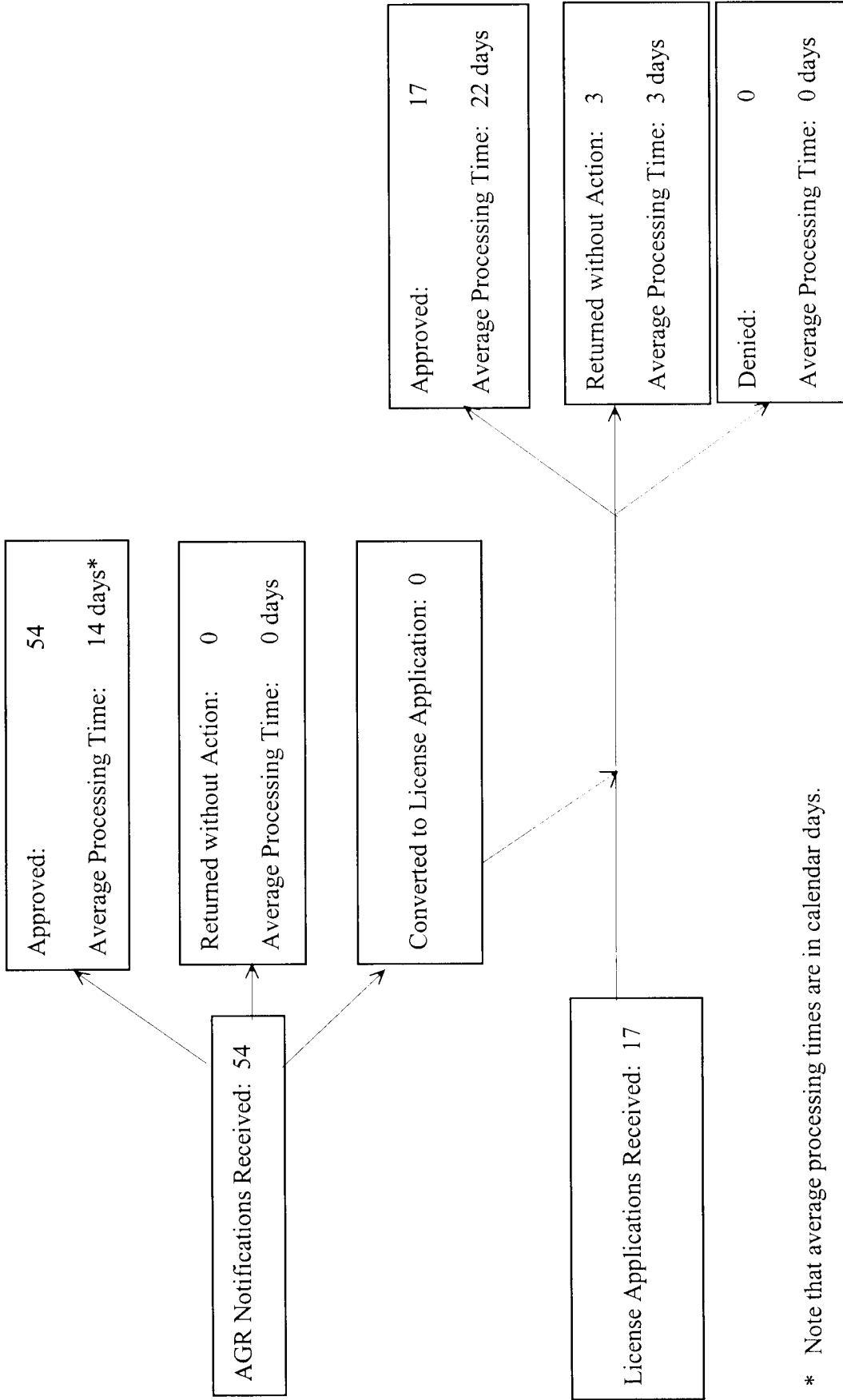
Sincerely,

David H. McCormick

Enclosure

Quarterly Report to the Congress on Activities Undertaken by the Department of Commerce Pursuant to Section 906(a)(1) of the Trade Sanctions Reform and Export Enhancement Act of 2000

Agricultural Commodities to Cuba: July-September 2005



* Note that average processing times are in calendar days.