



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Under Secretary for Industry and Security

Washington, D.C. 20230

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The Honorable Christopher J. Dodd
Chairman, Committee on
Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20515

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, October through December 2006, as required by the Trade Sanctions Reform and Export Enhancement Act of 2000 (TSRA) (Title IX of Pub.L. 106-387), as amended. This report is required by section 906(b) of TSRA.

For the reporting period, BIS received 39 notifications under License Exception Agricultural Commodities (AGR) for Cuba. Of these, 38 were approved in an average processing time of 8.6 days. One notification was not eligible for AGR and was converted into a standard export license application.

During this period, BIS processed 10 standard export license applications for TSRA eligible commodities. Of these, three were approved in an average processing time of 11 days and six were returned without action in an average processing time of four days. Five of these cases were returned because the applicants agreed to resubmit AGR notifications in order to obtain the expedited processing under that procedure. The last application was returned because it was a duplicate. One application was denied because it was for a reexport which did not qualify for AGR treatment. A chart illustrating this information is enclosed.

Sincerely,

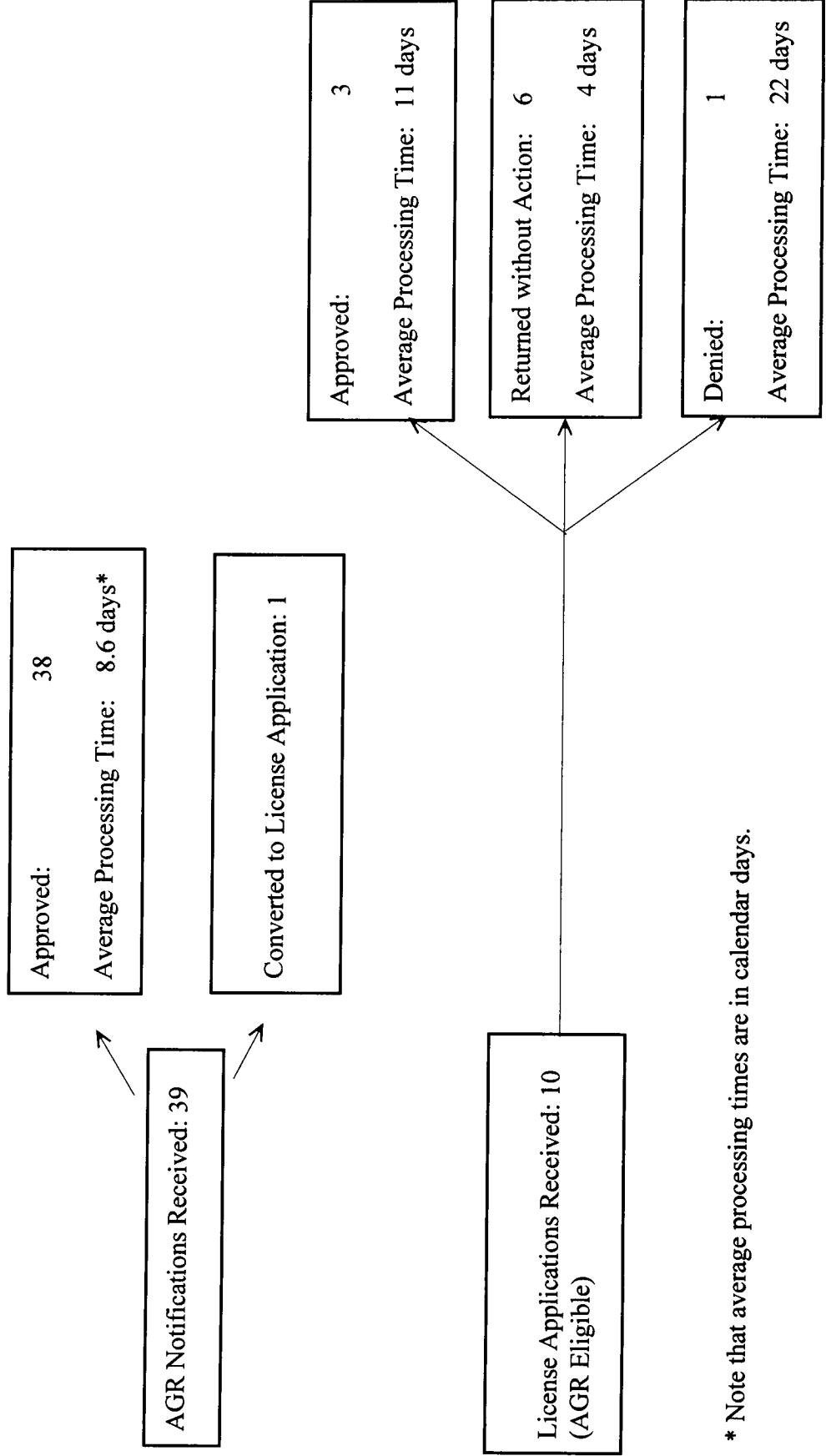
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Quarterly Report to the Congress on Activities Undertaken by the Department of Commerce Pursuant to Section 906(b) of the Trade Sanctions Reform and Export Enhancement Act of 2000

Agricultural Commodities to Cuba
October - December 2006



* Note that average processing times are in calendar days.