

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE International Trade Administration Washington, D.C. 20230

A-201-845 Administrative Review- Suspension Agreement **Public Document** ITA/E&C/P&N/OP/BAU:dc

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Juan Cortina Gallardo President Cámara Nacional de Las Industrias Azucarera y Alcoholera

Additional Signatories Batory De Mexico, S. DE R.L. DE C.V. Humberto Romero Ortiz Agroindustrias San Patricio S.A. de C.V. (San Patricio) Comercializadora Axiv S.A. de C.V. (Comercializadora Axiv) Comercializadora y Procesadora de Productos y Alimentos, S.A. de C.V. ("CPPA")

**REFERENCE:** Agreement Suspending the Antidumping Duty Investigation on Sugar from Mexico

Dear Mr. Cortina and Additional Signatories:

On behalf of the United States Department of Commerce ("Department"), I am writing to you with respect to the above-referenced Agreement Suspending the Antidumping Duty Investigation on Sugar from Mexico ("AD Agreement").

The Department appreciates the work of the Mexican producers and exporters and our combined efforts to preserve and maintain a viable AD suspension agreement on sugar from Mexico since December 2014. However, despite everyone's best efforts and numerous meetings, there remain outstanding issues between the parties. At this point, because the signatories of the AD Agreement have not reached agreement on modifications to the AD Agreement, the Department is notifying the Mexican producers and exporters of its intent to exercise its option under Section X.B of the AD Agreement to terminate such agreement, unless the parties reach agreement upon resolution of the outstanding issues with the current AD Agreement. It continues to be our sincere hope that a negotiated settlement can be reached. The Department will devote all necessary resources to work with the parties to this end.



This letter constitutes written notice that the Department intends to terminate the AD Agreement on June 5, 2017, unless a revised agreement is reached on or before that date. The Department therefore intends to issue an antidumping duty order on Sugar from Mexico on June 5, 2017, unless a revised agreement can be reached on or before that date. If you have any questions on this notification, please contact me at (202) 482-2104 or Carole Showers, Executive Director of the Office of Policy, at (202) 482-3217.

Sincerely, Roundak horenty

Ronald K. Lorentzen Acting Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance