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MEMORANDUM FOR: Dominic Mancini

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Chief of Staff and performing the non-exclusive functions and duties of the Under Secretary for International Trade

**International Trade Administration** 

SUBJECT: Request for OMB Emergency Review and Approval of

Information Collection (IC) for the establishment of a process by which domestic producers of an automobile or automobile parts articles may submit automobile parts

articles inclusion requests

On behalf of the International Trade Administration (ITA), I am seeking approval for emergency Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) clearances to allow the Department of Commerce (Commerce), as represented by ITA, to publish a Federal Register Notice on the interim final rule (IFR) of *Adoption and Procedures of the Section 232 Automobile Parts Tariff Inclusions Process*, which will establish the requisite process to provide for including additional automobile parts articles for passenger vehicles and light trucks within the scope of the tariffs imposed by Proclamation 10908 (90 Fed. Reg. 14705, April 3, 2025) (Automobile Proclamation). This process includes additional automobile parts articles at the request of a domestic producer of an automobile or automobile parts article, or an industry association representing one or more such producers, where the request establishes that imports of additional automobile parts articles have increased in a manner that threatens to impair the national security or otherwise undermines the objectives set forth in Proclamation 9888 (84 Fed. Reg. 23433, May 17, 2019), the Automobile Proclamation, or any subsequent proclamation addressing the threatened impairment to the national security under Section 232 of the Trade Expansion Act of 1962, as amended (19 U.S.C. 1862) (Section 232).

## BACKGROUND

This IFR, which ITA anticipates will be published on or after July 21, 2025, announces the procedures for domestic producers of an automobile or automobile parts articles, or an industry association representing one or more such producers to submit automobile parts articles inclusion requests, establishing that imports of additional automobile parts articles have increased in a manner that threatens to impair the national security. If the Secretary determines that the domestic producer or industry



association establishes that these imports have increased in a manner that threatens to impair the national security, then the automobile parts article will be added to the tariffs outlined in the Automobile Proclamation.

On March 26, 2025, the President issued the Automobile Proclamation, which imposed additional tariffs on certain automobiles and automobile parts. The Automobile Proclamation also required the Secretary of Commerce (Secretary) to establish a process for including additional automobile parts articles within the scope of the tariffs imposed by the President in the Automobile Proclamation. In addition to inclusions made by the Secretary, this process is to provide for including additional automobile parts articles at the request of a domestic producer of an automobile or automobile parts article, or an industry association representing one or more such producers. When such a request is received, after consultation with the United States International Trade Commission and U.S. Customs and Border Protection, the Secretary is to issue a determination regarding whether to include the articles within 60 days of receiving the request. Any additional automobile parts articles that the Secretary has determined to be included within the scope of the tariffs described in the Automobile Proclamation are to be so included on or after 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time the day after a notice in the Federal Register describing the Secretary's determination. The notice in the Federal Register is to be made as soon as practicable but no later than 14 days after the Secretary's determination.

In this IFR, ITA establishes the process for including additional automobile parts articles within the scope of the tariffs imposed by the President in the Automobile Proclamation. Domestic producers of an automobile or automobile parts articles seeking an automobile parts articles inclusion requests must submit documentation, including an automobile parts article description; eight or ten-digit Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United Status (HTSUS) classification; an explanation of why the article is an automobile parts article; information on the affected domestic industry; statistics on imports and domestic production; and a description of how and to what extent imports of the article have increased in a manner that threatens to impair the national security or otherwise undermines the objectives set forth in Proclamation 9888, the Automobiles Proclamation, or any subsequent proclamation addressing the threats described in those proclamations.

ITA will review the received requests on a rolling basis during the two-week submission window to validate that each received request contains all the required elements and does not exceed the page limitation. In the instance where the requestor does not include all the required elements or otherwise improperly filed the submission, at the discretion of the Under Secretary for International Trade, the requestor will be granted a 48-hour window to submit a proper filing. The use of fixed submission windows will provide predictability to industry and will be the most efficient use of ITA resources given the short timeframes to secure and process public comments and provide recommendations.

## **JUSTIFICATION**

As promulgated in 5 CFR Part 1320.13, ITA is seeking approval for emergency PRA clearance. This collection cannot reasonably comply with the normal clearance procedures because the use of normal clearance procedures is reasonably likely to prevent or disrupt the collection of information and is reasonably likely to miss the deadline of Proclamation 10908.

The collection of information is needed to meet requirements described in Proclamation 10908, issued by the President on March 26, 2025. Proclamation 10908 required that this process shall be established within 90 days, meaning no later than June 24, 2025. The Secretary of Commerce established the automobile parts articles inclusion process on June 24, 2025, as required by the Automobile Proclamation. A prepared notice announces procedures for administration of the automobile parts tariff inclusion process, including request submission, public posting, comment review, and making determinations. The establishment of this notice has resulted in this new information collection request.