UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION Washington, D.C.

In the Matter of
CERTAIN AUDIO PLAYERS AND
COMPONENTS THEREOF (I)

Investigation No. 337-TA-1329

NOTICE OF A COMMISSION DETERMINATION NOT TO REVIEW AN INITIAL DETERMINATION TERMINATING THE INVESTIGATION WITH RESPECT TO U.S. PATENT NO. 7,705,565

AGENCY: U.S. International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the U.S. International Trade Commission ("Commission") has determined not to review an initial determination ("ID") (Order No. 7) issued by the presiding administrative law judge ("ALJ") partially terminating the investigation with respect to U.S. Patent No. 7,705,565 ("the '565 patent").

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Commission instituted this investigation on September 15, 2022, based on a complaint filed by Google LLC of Mountain View, California ("Google"). 87 FR 56702-703 (Sept. 15, 2022). The complaint, as supplemented, alleges violations of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. 1337, in the importation into the United States, sale for importation, or sale in the United States after importation of certain audio players and components thereof by reason of infringement of certain claims of the '565 patent and U.S. Patent Nos. 10,593,330 and 10,134,398. *Id.* The complaint further alleges that a domestic industry exists. *Id.* The Commission's notice of investigation names Sonos, Inc. of Santa Barbara, California as the respondent. *Id.* at 56703. The Office of Unfair Import Investigations was not named as a party to this investigation. *Id.*

On September 28, 2022, Google filed an unopposed motion to terminate all allegations concerning the '565 patent from this investigation.

On October 18, 2022, the presiding ALJ issued the subject ID (Order No. 7) granting the motion to partially terminate the investigation with respect to the '565 patent. The ID finds that

the motion satisfies the requirements of Commission Rule 210.21(a)(1) (19 CFR 210.21(a)(1)) in that it certifies that there are no other agreements, written or oral, express or implied, between the parties regarding the subject matter of this investigation. The ID also finds that there are no extraordinary circumstances that should prevent terminating the '565 patent, and that its termination will serve the public interest by reducing the number of disputed issues in this investigation and conserving public and private resources.

No party filed a petition for review of the subject ID.

The Commission has determined not to review the subject ID. The '565 patent is hereby terminated from this investigation.

The Commission vote for this determination took place on November 2, 2022.

The authority for the Commission's determination is contained in section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U.S.C. 1337), and in Part 210 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR Part 210).

By order of the Commission.

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