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**DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

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**Notice of Determinations; Culturally Significant Objects Imported for Exhibition – Determinations: “Mesopotamia: Civilization Begins” Exhibition**

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given of the following determinations: I hereby determine that certain objects to be exhibited in the exhibition “**Mesopotamia: Civilization Begins**,” imported from abroad for temporary exhibition within the United States, are of cultural significance. The objects are imported pursuant to loan agreements with the foreign owners or custodians. I also determine that the exhibition or display of the exhibit objects at **The J. Paul Getty Museum at the Getty Villa**, Pacific Palisades, California, from on or about March 18, 2020, until on or about July 27, 2020, and at possible additional exhibitions or venues yet to be determined, is in the national interest. I have ordered that Public Notice of these determinations be published in the *Federal Register*.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The foregoing determinations were made pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Act of October 19, 1965 (79 Stat. 985; 22 U.S.C. 2459), Executive Order 12047 of March 27, 1978, the Foreign Affairs Reform and Restructuring Act of 1998 (112 Stat. 2681, et seq.; 22 U.S.C. 6501 note, et seq.),

Delegation of Authority No. 234 of October 1, 1999, and Delegation of Authority No. 236-3 of August 28, 2000.

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