



DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Ripe Olives from Spain: Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review, and Partial Rescission of Review; 2023-2024

AGENCY: Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily finds that producers/exporters subject to this administrative review made sales of subject merchandise at less than normal value during the period of review (POR), August 1, 2023, through July 31, 2024. In addition, we are rescinding the administrative review with respect to one company. We invite interested parties to comment on these preliminary results.

DATES: Applicable [INSERT DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE *FEDERAL REGISTER*].

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On August 1, 2018, Commerce published in the *Federal Register* the antidumping duty order on ripe olives (olives) from Spain.¹ On August 1, 2024, we published in the *Federal Register* a notice of opportunity to request an administrative review of the *Order*.² On

¹ See *Ripe Olives from Spain: Antidumping Duty Order*, 83 FR 37465 (August 1, 2018) (*Order*); see also *Ripe Olives from Spain: Notice of Correction to Antidumping Duty Order*, 83 FR 39691 (August 10, 2018) (*Amended Order*).

² See *Antidumping or Countervailing Duty Order, Finding, or Suspended Investigation; Opportunity to Request Administrative Review and Join Annual Inquiry Service List*, 89 FR 62714 (August 1, 2024).

September 20, 2024, based on timely requests for an administrative review, Commerce initiated the administrative review of four companies.³ On October 22, 2024, Commerce selected Agro Sevilla Aceitunas, S. Coop. And. (Agro Sevilla) as the sole mandatory respondent in this administrative review.⁴

On December 9, 2024, Commerce tolled certain deadlines in this administrative proceeding by ninety days.⁵ On June 23, 2025, Commerce extended the preliminary results of this review to November 24, 2025.⁶ Due to the lapse in appropriations and Federal Government shutdown, on November 14, 2025, Commerce tolled all deadlines in administrative proceeding by 47 days.⁷ Additionally, due to a backlog of documents that were electronically filed via Enforcement and Compliance's Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS) during the Federal Government shutdown, on November 24, 2025, Commerce tolled all deadlines in administrative proceedings by an additional 21 days.⁸ On January 29, 2026, Commerce extended the preliminary results of this review to February 5, 2026.⁹ Therefore, the deadline for these final results is February 5, 2026.

For a complete description of the events between the initiation of this review and these preliminary results, *see* the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.¹⁰ A list of the topics discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum is attached as the appendix to this notice. The Preliminary Decision Memorandum is a public document and is made available to the public via ACCESS. ACCESS is available to registered users at <https://access.trade.gov>. In addition, a

³ *See Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 89 FR 77079 (September 20, 2024) (*Initiation Notice*).

⁴ *See* Memorandum, "2023-2024 Administrative Review of the Antidumping Duty Order on Ripe Olives from Spain: Respondent Selection," dated October 22, 2024.

⁵ *See* Memorandum, "Tolling of Deadlines for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings," dated December 9, 2024.

⁶ *See* Memorandum, "Extension of Deadline for Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review," dated June 23, 2025.

⁷ *See* Memorandum, "Deadlines Affected by the Shutdown of the Federal Government," dated November 14, 2025.

⁸ *See* Memorandum, "Tolling of all Case Deadlines," dated November 24, 2025.

⁹ *See* Memorandum, "Second Extension of Deadline for Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review," dated January 29, 2026.

¹⁰ *See* Memorandum, "Decision Memorandum for Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review: Ripe Olives from Spain; 2023-2024," dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Preliminary Decision Memorandum).

complete version of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum is available at

<https://access.trade.gov/public/FRNoticesListLayout.aspx>.

Scope of the Order

The products covered by this *Order* are olives from Spain. For a full description of the scope of the *Order*, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

Methodology

Commerce is conducting this review in accordance with section 751 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). Export price and constructed export price are calculated in accordance with section 772 of the Act. Normal value is calculated in accordance with section 773 of the Act. For a full description of the methodology underlying these preliminary results, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

Partial Rescission of Review

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1), Commerce will rescind an administrative review, in whole or in part, if the party that requested a review withdraws its request within 90 days of the date of publication of the notice of initiation. The request for an administrative review of Aceitunas Guadalquivir, S.L. (Aceitunas Guadalquivir) was withdrawn within 90 days of the date of publication of the *Initiation Notice*.¹¹ No other party requested an administrative review of Aceitunas Guadalquivir. As a result, Commerce is rescinding this review with respect to this company, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1). Additionally, we initiated an administrative review of Alimentary Group DCOOP, S.Coop.And. (Alimentary Group). However, because Alimentary Group did not have any entries during the POR, we intend to rescind the review with respect to this company.

¹¹ See Aceitunas Guadalquivir, S.L. Letter, “Aceitunas Guadalquivir, S.L. Withdrawal Request for Administrative Review Ripe Olives from Spain (POR6),” dated October 1, 2024.

Rate for Non-Selected Companies

The statute and Commerce’s regulations do not address the establishment of a rate to be applied to companies not selected for individual examination when Commerce limits its examination in an administrative review pursuant to section 777A(c)(2) of the Act. Generally, Commerce looks to section 735(c)(5) of the Act, which provides instructions for calculating the all-others rate in a market economy investigation, for guidance when calculating the rate for companies which were not selected for individual examination in an administrative review. Under section 735(c)(5)(A) of the Act, the all-others rate is normally “an amount equal to the weighted-average of the estimated weighted-average dumping margins established for exporters and producers individually investigated excluding any zero or *de minimis* margins, and any margins determined entirely {on the basis of facts available}.” For these preliminary results, we calculated a dumping margin of 3.54 percent for Agro Sevilla, the mandatory respondent in this review. Thus, for the non-examined company, Angel Camacho Alimentacion, S.L., we are assigning Agro Sevilla’s rate of 3.54 percent.

Preliminary Results of Review

We preliminarily determine that the following estimated weighted-average dumping margins exist for the period August 1, 2023, through July 31, 2024:

Producer/Exporter	Weighted-Average Dumping Margin (percent)
Agro Sevilla Aceitunas, S. Coop. And.	3.54
Angel Camacho Alimentacion, S.L.	3.54

Disclosure

Commerce intends to disclose its calculations and analysis performed to interested parties in these preliminary results within five days of any public announcement or, if there is no public announcement, within five days of the date of publication of this notice in the *Federal Register*,

in accordance with 19 CFR 351.224(b).

Verification

As provided in section 782(i)(3) of the Act, because Commerce has received a timely request to conduct verification by an interested party and has not made a verification in the two immediately preceding reviews, Commerce intends to verify certain information reported by Agro Sevilla.¹²

Public Comment

Because Commerce intends to conduct verification of the questionnaire responses of Agro Sevilla, interested parties will be notified of the deadline for the submission of case briefs at a later date.¹³ Rebuttal briefs, limited to issues raised in the case briefs, may be filed not later than five days after the date for filing case briefs.¹⁴ Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.309(c)(2) and (d)(2), interested parties who submit case or rebuttal briefs in this proceeding must submit: (1) a table of contents listing each issue; and (2) a table of authorities.

As provided under 19 CFR 351.309(c)(2)(iii) and (d)(2)(iii), we request that interested parties provide at the beginning of their briefs a public, executive summary for each issue raised in their briefs.¹⁵ Further, we request that interested parties limit their executive summary of each issue to no more than 450 words, not including citations. We intend to use the executive summaries as the basis of the comment summaries included in the issues and decision memorandum that will accompany the final results in this review. We request that interested parties include footnotes for relevant citations in the executive summary of each issue.

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.310(c), interested parties who wish to request a hearing must

¹² See Musco Family Olive Company's Letter, "Ripe Olives from Spain; 6th Administrative Review; Request for Verification," dated December 9, 2024. The Musco Family Olive Company is a member of the Petitioners (the Coalition for Fair Trade in Ripe Olives).

¹³ See 19 CFR 351.303 (for general filing requirements).

¹⁴ See 19 CFR 351.309(d); see also *Administrative Protective Order, Service, and Other Procedures in Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings*, 88 FR 67069, 67077 (September 29, 2023) (*APO and Service Final Rule*).

¹⁵ We use the term "issue" here to describe an argument that Commerce would normally address in a comment of the Issues and Decision Memorandum.

submit a written request to the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance, U.S. Department of Commerce, within 30 days after the date of publication of this notice in the *Federal Register*. Hearing requests should contain: (1) the requesting party's name, address, and telephone number; (2) the number of participants and whether any participant is a foreign national; and (3) a list of issues to be discussed. Issues raised in the hearing will be limited to those raised in the respective case and rebuttal briefs. If a request for a hearing is made, Commerce intends to hold the hearing at a date and time to be determined.¹⁶ Parties should confirm by telephone the date, time, and location of the hearing two days before the scheduled date.

All submissions, including case and rebuttal briefs, as well as hearing requests, should be filed via ACCESS.¹⁷ An electronically filed document must be received successfully in its entirety by ACCESS by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on the established deadline. Note that Commerce has amended certain of its requirements pertaining to the service of documents in 19 CFR 351.303(f).¹⁸

Final Results of Review

Unless extended, Commerce intends to issue the final results of this administrative review, including the results of its analysis of the issues raised in any written briefs, no later than 120 days after the date of publication of this notice, pursuant to section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.213(h)(1).

Assessment Rates

Upon completion of the final results, Commerce shall determine, and the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) shall assess, antidumping duties on all appropriate entries covered by this review.¹⁹ If a respondent's weighted-average dumping margin is not zero or

¹⁶ See 19 CFR 351.310(d).

¹⁷ See 19 CFR 351.303.

¹⁸ See *APO and Service Final Rule*.

¹⁹ See 19 CFR 351.212(b)(1).

de minimis (i.e., less than 0.5 percent) in the final results of this review, we intend to calculate an importer-specific assessment rate based on the ratio of the total amount of dumping calculated for each importer's examined sales and the total entered value of those same sales in accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(b)(1).²⁰ If the respondent's weighted-average dumping margin or an importer-specific assessment rate is zero or *de minimis* in the final results of this review, we intend to instruct CBP not to assess duties on any of its entries in accordance with the *Final Modification for Reviews*.²¹ The final results of this administrative review shall be the basis for the assessment of antidumping duties on entries of merchandise covered by the final results of this review and for future deposits of estimated duties, where applicable.²²

For entries of subject merchandise during the POR produced by either of the individually examined respondents for which they did not know that the merchandise was destined for the United States, we will instruct CBP to liquidate these entries at the all-others rate if there is no rate for the intermediate company(ies) involved in the transaction.²³

For the companies identified above that were not selected for individual examination, we will instruct CBP to liquidate entries at the rates established after the completion of the final results of review.

Because Commerce is rescinding this review with respect to Aceitunas Guadalquivir, we will instruct CBP to assess antidumping duties on all appropriate entries of subject merchandise during the POR from this company at a rate equal to the cash deposit rate for estimated antidumping duties that was required at the time of entry, or withdrawal from warehouse, for consumption, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(c)(1)(i). Commerce intends to issue its rescission instructions to CBP no earlier than 35 days after the date of publication of this notice

²⁰ In these preliminary results, Commerce applied the assessment rate calculation method adopted in *Antidumping Proceedings: Calculation of the Weighted-Average Dumping Margin and Assessment Rate in Certain Antidumping Duty Proceedings; Final Modification*, 77 FR 8101 (February 14, 2012) (*Final Modification for Reviews*).

²¹ See *Final Modification for Reviews*, 77 FR at 8103; see also 19 CFR 351.106(c)(2).

²² See section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act.

²³ For a full discussion of this practice, see *Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings: Assessment of Antidumping Duties*, 68 FR 23954 (May 6, 2003).

in the Federal Register.

Further, because Commerce intends to rescind this review with respect to Alimentary Group, we intend to instruct CBP to assess antidumping duties on all appropriate entries of subject merchandise during the POR from this company at a rate equal to the cash deposit rate for estimated antidumping duties that was required at the time of entry, or withdrawal from warehouse, for consumption, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.212(c)(1)(i). Commerce intends to issue its rescission instructions to CBP no earlier than 35 days after the date of publication of the final results in the Federal Register.

Commerce intends to issue assessment instructions to CBP no earlier than 35 days after the date of publication of the final results of this review in the *Federal Register*. If a timely summons is filed at the U.S. Court of International Trade, the assessment instructions will direct CBP not to liquidate relevant entries until the time for parties to file a request for a statutory injunction has expired (*i.e.*, within 90 days of publication).

Cash Deposit Requirements

The following cash deposit requirements for estimated antidumping duties will be effective upon publication in the *Federal Register* of the notice of final results of this review for all shipments of olives from Spain entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication as provided by section 751(a)(2) of the Act: (1) the cash deposit rate for companies subject to this review will be equal to the weighted-average dumping margins established in the final results of the review; (2) for merchandise exported by companies not covered in this review but covered in a prior segment of this proceeding, the cash deposit rate will continue to be the company-specific rate published in the completed segment for the most recent period; (3) if the exporter is not a firm covered in this review, a prior review, or the original less-than-fair-value (LTFV) investigation but the producer is, then the cash deposit rate will be the rate established in the completed segment for the most recent period for the producer of the merchandise; and (4) the cash deposit rate for all other producers or exporters will

continue to be 19.98 percent,²⁴ the all-others rate established in the LTFV investigation. These cash deposit requirements, when imposed, shall remain in effect until further notice.

Notification to Importers

This notice serves as a preliminary reminder to importers of their responsibility under 19 CFR 351.402(f)(2) to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of antidumping and/or countervailing duties prior to liquidation of the relevant entries during this POR. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in Commerce's presumption that reimbursement of antidumping and/or countervailing duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of double antidumping duties, and/or an increase in the amount of antidumping duties by the amount of countervailing duties.

Notification to Interested Parties

These preliminary results and notice are issued and published in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i) of the Act, 19 CFR 351.213(d)(4), 19 CFR 351.213(h) and 19 CFR 351.221(b)(4).

Dated: February 5, 2026.

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²⁴ See Order, 83 FR at 37466; see also Amended Order, 83 FR at 39692.

Appendix

List of Topics Discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum

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