NOTIFICATION

Addendum

The following communication, dated 27 April 2022, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the United States of America.

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**Title:** Definition of "Frame or Receiver" and Identification of Firearms

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**Description:** TITLE: Definition of "Frame or Receiver" and Identification of Firearms

AGENCY: Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives; Department of Justice

ACTION: Final rule

SUMMARY: The Department of Justice ("Department") is amending Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives ("ATF") regulations to remove and replace the regulatory definitions of "firearm frame or receiver" and "frame or receiver" because the current regulations fail to capture the full meaning of those terms. The Department is also amending ATF's definitions of "firearm" and "gunsmith" to clarify the meaning of those terms, and to provide definitions of terms such as "complete weapon," "complete muffler or silencer device," "multi-piece frame or receiver," "privately made firearm," and "readily" for purposes of clarity given advancements in firearms technology. Further, the Department is amending ATF's regulations on marking and recordkeeping that are necessary to implement these new or amended definitions.

DATES: This rule is effective 24 August 2022.

This final rule and the notice of proposed rulemaking; request for comment notified as [G/TBT/N/USA/1733](https://docs.wto.org/imrd/directdoc.asp?DDFDocuments/t/G/TBTN21/USA1733.DOCX) are identified by Docket Number ATF 2021R-05. The Docket Folder is available on Regulations.gov at <https://www.regulations.gov/docket/ATF-2021-0001/document> and provides access to primary and supporting documents as well as comments received. Documents are also accessible from [Regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov/) by searching the Docket Number.

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1. This information can be provided by including a website address, a pdf attachment, or other information on where the text of the final/modified measure and/or interpretive guidance can be obtained. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)