### UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

#### Washington, D.C.

In the Matter of

## CERTAIN AUDIO PLAYERS AND COMPONENTS THEREOF (II)

Inv. No. 337-TA-1330

### NOTICE OF INITIAL DETERMINATION ON VIOLATION OF SECTION 337

Administrative Law Judge Cameron Elliot

(September 15, 2023)

On this date, I issued an initial determination on violation of section 337 in the abovereferenced investigation. Below are my Initial Determination and the Conclusions of Law from said filing, which are a matter of public record. A complete public version of the Initial Determination will issue when all the parties have submitted their redactions and I have had an opportunity to review such redactions.

SO ORDERED.

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Cameron Elliot Administrative Law Judge

### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

- 1. Google has not proven infringement of any asserted claim of U.S. Patent No. 9,632,748.
- 2. Google has proven infringement of claim 10 of U.S. Patent No. 11,024,311, but not claims 16-19.
- 3. Google has proven infringement of claims 1, 5, 6, 9, 16, 17, and 19 of U.S. Patent No. 11,050,615.
- 4. Sonos has proven the invalidity of claims 7, 9, and 10 of U.S. Patent No. 9,632,748.
- 5. Sonos has proven the invalidity of claims 10, 11, and 16-19 of U.S. Patent No. 11,024,311.
- 6. Sonos has proven the invalidity of claims 1, 5, 6, 9, 16, 17, and 19 of U.S. Patent No. 11,050,615.
- 7. Sonos has not proven the unenforceability of U.S. Patent No. 11,050,615.
- 8. Google has not proven the existence of articles protected by any claim of U.S. Patent No. 9,632,748.
- 9. Google has proven the existence of articles protected by claims 10, 11, 16, and 17 of U.S. Patent No. 11,024,311, except that claims 10, 11, 16, and 17 are invalid.
- 10. Google has not proven the existence of articles protected by any claim of U.S. Patent No. 11,050,615.
- 11. Google has proven the existence of an economic domestic industry as required by 19 U.S.C. § 1337(a)(2) for U.S. Patent No. 9,632,748, U.S. Patent No. 11,024,311, and U.S. Patent No. 11,050,615.
- 12. There is no violation of section 337 with respect to U.S. Patent No. 9,632,748.
- 13. There is no violation of section 337 with respect to U.S. Patent No. 11,024,311.
- 14. There is no violation of section 337 with respect to U.S. Patent No. 11,050,615.

# **INITIAL DETERMINATION AND ORDER**

Based on the foregoing, it is my Initial Determination that there is no violation of Section

337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. § 1337, in the importation into the United

States, the sale for importation, or the sale within the United States after importation of certain

audio players and components thereof in connection with the asserted claims of U.S. Patent Nos. 9,632,748, 11,024,311, and 11,050,615.