

the PRC and Indonesia is a significant producer of comparable merchandise.

Petitioners also based factory overhead and general expenses on data contained on the public records of previous investigations in which the information was also used as surrogate values for factors of production of merchandise from the PRC.

Petitioners based profit on a publicly available published industry study of the Reserve Bank of India Bulletin, September 1994, for the Processing and Manufacturing of Metals, Chemicals, and Products thereof.

Finally, petitioners based packing on their own U.S. packing costs, not including packing for ocean voyage. For the purposes of this investigation, we have disallowed the packing costs because they were based on U.S. values rather than a factor value from an appropriate surrogate country.

Based on comparisons of CEP to the factors of production, the calculated dumping margin for MIDPs from the PRC, after adjustments made by the Department, is 7.06 percent *ad valorem*.

Taiwan

Petitioners used a market research firm to obtain an EP price quotation from a Taiwanese producer. Petitioners deducted a discount from this price.

In addition, petitioners calculated CEP based on a Taiwan company's affiliated reseller price quotation. Petitioners believe that the Department should use CEP because there is substantial evidence that, during the POI, this manufacturer produced subject merchandise in Taiwan that was sold in the United States.

Petitioners deducted from CEP discounts, ocean freight, U.S. inland freight, containerization, selling expenses and inventory carrying expenses.

For purposes of initiation, we are rejecting this CEP calculation because there is insufficient evidence that the Taiwan manufacturer, Tar-Hong, produced in Taiwan the subject merchandise sold by its U.S. affiliate during the POI. However, as this investigation proceeds, we will consider this issue further.

Based on comparisons of EP to NV, the calculated dumping margin for MIDPs from Taiwan, after adjustments made by the Department, is 53.13 percent *ad valorem*.

Fair Value Comparisons

Based on the data provided by petitioners, there is reason to believe that imports of MIDPs from Indonesia, the PRC and Taiwan are being, or are likely to be, sold at less than fair value.

Initiation of Investigations

We have examined the petitions on MIDPs and have found that they meet the requirements of section 732 of the Act, including the requirements concerning allegations of the material injury or threat of material injury to the domestic producers of a domestic like product by reason of the complained-of imports, allegedly sold at less than fair value. Therefore, we are initiating antidumping duty investigations to determine whether imports of MIDPs from Indonesia, the PRC and Taiwan are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value. Unless extended, we will make our preliminary determinations by July 15, 1996.

Distribution of Copies of the Petition

In accordance with section 732(b)(3)(A) of the Act, a copy of the public version of the petition has been provided to the representatives of the governments of Indonesia and PRC, as well as to the Taiwan authorities. We will attempt to provide a copy of the public version of the petition to each exporter named in the petition.

International Trade Commission (ITC) Notification

We have notified the ITC of our initiations, as required by section 732(d) of the Act.

Preliminary Determination by the ITC

The ITC will determine by March 22, 1996, whether there is a reasonable indication that imports of MIDPs from Indonesia, the PRC and Taiwan are causing material injury, or threatening to cause material injury, to a U.S. industry. A negative ITC determination in any of the investigations will result in that investigation being terminated; otherwise, the investigations will proceed according to statutory and regulatory time limits.

Dated: February 26, 1996.

Paul L. Joffe,

Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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Applications for Duty-Free Entry of Scientific Instruments

Pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Educational, Scientific and Cultural Materials Importation Act of 1966 (Pub. L. 89-651; 80 Stat. 897; 15 CFR part 301), we invite comments on the question of whether instruments of equivalent scientific value, for the purposes for which the instruments

shown below are intended to be used, are being manufactured in the United States.

Comments must comply with 15 CFR 301.5(a)(3) and (4) of the regulations and be filed within 20 days with the Statutory Import Programs Staff, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, D.C. 20230. Applications may be examined between 8:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. in Room 4211, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C.

Docket Number: 96-001. *Applicant:* University of California, Davis, 174 Physics/Geology Bldg., Davis, CA 95616-8605. *Instrument:* Water Gas Phase Equilibration System.

Manufacturer: Finnigan MAT, Germany.

Intended Use: The instrument will be used to analyze the stable oxygen and hydrogen isotopic composition (¹⁸O/¹⁶O and D(euterium) /H) of water samples derived from seawater samples collected during experimental research and ground water samples from hydrographic studies. The experiments will involve studies of the physiological and environmental parameters responsible for stable isotope variability in the calcium carbonate shells of fossil organisms via the study of living representatives in the laboratory and field. In addition, the instrument will be used in the course Geology 227, Stable Isotope Biochemistry introducing graduate students to different applications of stable isotope geochemistry in the research environment. *Application Accepted by Commissioner of Customs:* January 3, 1996.

Docket Number: 96-002. *Applicant:* DHHS/Food and Drug Administration, National Center for Toxicological Research, Division of Chemistry, 3900 NCTR Road, Jefferson, AR 72079.

Instrument: ICP Mass Spectrometer, Model PlasmaQuad XR. *Manufacturer:* Fisons Instruments, United Kingdom.

Intended Use: The instrument will be used for studies of food, food ingredients, animal diets, animal tissues and water to determine the quantitation of the levels of trace elements of interest in these samples. The instrument will also be used for speciation studies for toxicologically important elements such as As, Cr, and Mn among others. *Application Accepted by Commissioner of Customs:* January 4, 1996.

Docket Number: 96-003. *Applicant:* Mount Holyoke College, 50 College Street, South Hadley, MA 01075.

Instrument: Electron Microscope, Model CM100. *Manufacturer:* Philips, The Netherlands. *Intended Use:* The instrument will be used in a wide variety of research projects in the

biological sciences which include but are not limited to: (a) assessment of which structural components of the nucleus remain after progressive dismantling of nuclear components by high salt, nuclease, and detergent treatment in research designed to probe nuclear matrix structure and function in plant cells and (b) characterization of cellular defects in various *Drosophila* mutants which figure prominently in molecular biology. In addition, the instrument will be used for educational purposes in several biology courses. *Application Accepted by Commissioner of Customs*: January 4, 1996.

Docket Number: 96-004. *Applicant*: University of California at Berkeley, 485 Hearst Mining Bldg., Berkeley, CA 94720. *Instrument*: Mass/Energy Spectrometer. *Manufacturer*: Hiden Analytical Ltd., United Kingdom. *Intended Use*: The instrument will be used for determining the mass, energy and flux of ions, neutrals and radicals generated by an activated nitrogen source. It will also be used for trace impurity measurements. *Application Accepted by Commissioner of Customs*: January 11, 1996.

Docket Number: 96-005. *Applicant*: Scripps Research Institute, 10666 North Torrey Pines Road, La Jolla, CA 92037. *Instrument*: Electron Microscope, Model CM120. *Manufacturer*: Philips, The Netherlands. *Intended Use*: The instrument will be used for studies of the structure of tobacco, alfalfa, and cucumber mosaic viruses, muscle proteins, nuclear pore complexes, microtubules, CHIP28 water channels, acetylcholine receptors, gap junctions, rotavirus and reovirus, and rice yellow mottle virus. The goals of the investigations are in general to understand the structural basis for how the subcellular organelles and supramolecular assemblies function and to elucidate the role that they play in the life of the cell. In addition, the instrument will be used to provide training in use of the electron microscope as a research tool. *Application Accepted by Commissioner of Customs*: February 6, 1996.

Docket Number: 96-007. *Applicant*: U.S. Department of Commerce, NOAA/ERL/CMDL, R/E/CGI, 325 Broadway, Boulder, CO 80303. *Instrument*: Stable Isotope Mass Spectrometer, Model OPTIMA. *Manufacturer*: Fisons Instruments, United Kingdom. *Intended Use*: The instrument will be used to measure the stable isotope ratios of CO₂ from flask samples of atmospheric air sampled weekly from about 50 sites worldwide and analyzed for the mixing ratios of methane, carbon monoxide and other gases. The instrument will also be

used to measure the stable isotope ratios of CO₂ from standard and reference materials as required to maintain the integrity and calibration of the data base of atmospheric measurements.

Application Accepted by Commissioner of Customs: February 6, 1996.

Docket Number: 96-008. *Applicant*: University of California, Los Alamos National Laboratory, P.O. Box 990, Los Alamos, NM 87545. *Instrument*: Mass Spectrometer, Model Plasma Trace 2. *Manufacturer*: Fisons Instruments, United Kingdom. *Intended Use*: The instrument will be used for studies of soils, high purity silicon chips, waters and low level waste streams to determine trace analytes in a given sample. *Application Accepted by Commissioner of Customs*: February 7, 1996.

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Director, Statutory Import Programs Staff
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University of Hawaii, et al.; Notice of Consolidated Decision on Applications for Duty-Free Entry of Scientific Instruments

This is a decision consolidated pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Materials Importation Act of 1966 (Pub. L. 89-651, 80 Stat. 897; 15 CFR part 301). Related records can be viewed between 8:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. in Room 4211, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C.

Comments: None received. *Decision*: Approved. No instrument of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instruments described below, for such purposes as each is intended to be used, is being manufactured in the United States.

Docket Number: 94-154R. *Applicant*: University of Hawaii, Honolulu, HI 96822. *Instrument*: ICP Mass Spectrometer, Model PlasmaQuad. *Manufacturer*: Fisons Instruments, United Kingdom. *Intended Use*: See notice at 60 FR 5165, January 26, 1995. *Reasons*: The foreign instrument provides a UV laser ablation sample introduction system. *Advice Received From*: National Institutes of Health, February 14, 1996.

Docket Number: 95-115. *Applicant*: University of Vermont, Burlington, VT 05405-0082. *Instrument*: Ammonia Emission Measurement Equipment. *Manufacturer*: Swedish Institute of Agricultural Engineering, Sweden.

Intended Use: See notice at 60 FR 64158, December 14, 1995. *Reasons*: The foreign instrument provides in-situ measurement of equilibrium concentrations of ammonia in a ventilated chamber employing passive diffusion samplers. *Advice Received From*: National Institutes of Health, February 5, 1996.

The National Institutes of Health advises in its memoranda that (1) the capabilities of each of the foreign instruments described above are pertinent to each applicant's intended purpose and (2) it knows of no domestic instrument or apparatus of equivalent scientific value for the intended use of each instrument.

We know of no other instrument or apparatus being manufactured in the United States which is of equivalent scientific value to either of the foreign instruments.

Frank W. Creel,

Director, Statutory Import Programs Staff
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National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Bluefin Tuna Dealer Reports

ACTION: Proposed Collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before April 30, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Acting Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington DC 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Kevin Foster, NMFS—One Blackburn Drive, Gloucester, MA 01915 (508-281-9260).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The information collected in the Dealer Package is used by NMFS to