

III. Leather From Argentina

Imports covered by this review include shipments of Argentine leather. The types of leather that are covered include bovine (excluding upper and lining leather not exceeding 28 square feet, buffalo leather, and upholstery leather), sheep (excluding vegetable pretanned sheep and lambskin leather), swine, reptile (excluding vegetable pretanned and not fancy reptile leather), patent leather, calf and kip patent laminated, and metalized leather. Leather is an animal skin that has been subjected to certain treatment to make it serviceable and resistant to decomposition. It is used in the footwear, clothing, furniture and other industries. The types of leather included within the scope are currently classified under HTS item numbers 4104.10.60, 4104.10.80, 4104.21.00, 4104.22.00, 4104.29.50, 4104.29.90, 4104.31.50, 4104.31.60, 4104.31.80, 4104.39.50, 4104.39.60, 4104.39.80, 4105.12.00, 4105.19.00, 4105.20.30, 4105.20.60, 4107.10.00, 4107.29.60, 4107.90.30, 4107.90.60, 4109.00.30, 4109.00.40, and 4109.00.70. The HTS subheadings are provided for convenience and Customs purposes. The written description remains dispositive.

IV. Cold-Rolled From Argentina

Imports covered by this review include shipments of Argentine cold-rolled carbon steel flat products, whether or not corrugated or crimped; whether or not painted or varnished and whether or not pickled; not cut, not pressed, and not stamped to non-rectangular shape; not coated or plated with metal; over 12 inches in width and under 0.1875 inches in thickness whether or not in coils; as currently provided for under the following item numbers of the HTS: 7209.11.00, 7209.12.00, 7209.13.00, 7209.14.00, 7209.21.00, 7209.22.00, 7209.23.00, 7209.24.00, 7209.31.00, 7209.32.00, 7209.33.00, 7209.34.00, 7209.41.00, 7209.42.00, 7209.43.00, 7209.44.00, 7209.90.00, 7210.70.00, 7211.30.50, 7211.41.70, 7211.49.50, 7211.90.00, 7212.40.50. The HTS item numbers are provided for convenience and Customs purposes. The written description remains dispositive.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[C-357-404]

Certain Textile Mill Products From Argentina; Determination to Amend Revocation, in Part, of the Countervailing Duty Order

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of determination to amend revocation, in part, of the

countervailing duty order on certain textile mill products from Argentina.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (the Department) has determined to amend, in part, the effective date of the revocation of the countervailing duty order on Certain Textile Mill Products from Argentina, with respect to the products classified under item numbers 6305.2000 and 6305.9000 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule (HTS), from January 1, 1995 to January 1, 1994. In addition, the Department has determined not to revoke with respect to the products classified under the HTS item numbers listed in Appendix A to this notice. As a result of this determination not to amend the effective date of revocation with respect to HTS item numbers found in Appendix A, such merchandise exported on or after January 1, 1994 which entered before January 1, 1995 will be liquidated at the cash deposit rate in effect at the time of entry.

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 1, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Anne D'Alauro or Lorenza Olivas, Office of CVD/AD Enforcement VI, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230; telephone: (202) 482-2786.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On March 1, 1994, the Department published in the **Federal Register** (59 FR 9727) its intent to revoke the countervailing duty order on certain textile mill products from Argentina pursuant to 19 CFR 355.25(d)(4)(i) because no interested party had requested an administrative review for at least four consecutive review periods. If no interested party objects to the Department's intended revocation or requests an administrative review of the countervailing duty order, the Department will revoke the order pursuant to 19 CFR 355.25(d)(4)(iii)(1993).

The Department received a timely objection to the intended revocation from the American Textile Manufacturers Institute, Inc. (ATMI) and its member companies as well as the Amalgamated Clothing and Textile Workers Union (ACTWU). The Department requested clarifying information from ATMI and ACTWU regarding the like products their members produced.

Revocation Under Section 753 of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act

This countervailing duty order was revoked effective January 1, 1995, pursuant to section 753 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act (60 FR 40568). Therefore, the objection to revocation received from ATMI and ACTWU only affects entries of merchandise exported on or after January 1, 1994 and before January 1, 1995.

Scope Conversion

The scope of the order on certain textile mill products from Argentina was originally defined in terms of the item numbers listed under the *Tariff Schedule of the United States Annotated* (TSUSA). See *Final Affirmative Countervailing Duty Determination and Countervailing Duty Order: Certain Textile Mill Products from Argentina* (50 FR 9846; March 12, 1985). On January 1, 1989, the United States fully converted from TSUSA to the HTS. At that time, the Customs Service prepared a list which included all of the HTS numbers necessary to cover the items previously identified by the TSUSA. However, because the two tariff schedules use different classification systems which do not produce a one-to-one product correlation, this list also included some items not included in the like product list relied upon by the Department in the investigation. On November 1, 1995, after no comments were received on a preliminary HTS scope conversion, the Department published *Certain Textile Mill Products from Argentina; Notice of Scope Amendment* (60 FR 55542) which finalized the conversion of the scope of this order from TSUSA to HTS item numbers.

Applicable Statute

The Department has made this determination in accordance with sections 751 (a) and (c) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the statute and to 19 CFR are in reference to the provisions as they existed on December 31, 1994.

Interested Party Status of ATMI and ACTWU

The member companies of ATMI identified and certified as to all of the like products they produce. The respective member companies qualify as interested parties for the like products they produce under 19 CFR 355.2(i)(3) because they are "producers in the United States of the like products."

The ATMI member companies produce all of the like products covered

by the scope of the order on certain textile mill products from Argentina with the exception of those which were listed under the like product heading "Other Miscellaneous Categories." This category included, among other subheadings, "bags and sacks, or other shipping containers, of vegetable fibers, except cotton" and "packing, molded, of cotton and rubber."

With regard to this remaining like product category, we next analyzed whether ACTWU has standing as an interested party to object to revocation of this like product category. In order for ACTWU to qualify as an interested party, ACTWU must be "representative of the industry * * * in the United States of the like product produced in the United States" (19 CFR 355.2(i)(4)). Since ACTWU did not indicate that any of its members produced products in the one remaining like product group, it cannot be representative of the industry and, therefore, does not qualify as an interested party for that like product category.

Interested parties were provided an opportunity to comment on the Department's analysis and conclusions which were set forth in a memorandum to Acting Assistant Secretary Robert S. LaRussa entitled, "Objection to Revocation—Certain Textile Mill Products from Argentina," signed on December 10, 1996, which is a public document on file in the Department's Central Records Unit. We received no comments.

Determination To Revoke

The Department found that the member companies of ATMI produce all

of the like products covered by the countervailing duty order on certain textile mill products from Argentina with the exception of those within the "Other Miscellaneous Categories" like product category. The only HTS item numbers covered by the scope of this order, which fall under that like product category, are item numbers 6305.2000 and 6305.9000, described as "sacks, and bags, of a kind used for the packing of goods—of cotton; of other textile materials." Therefore, since neither ATMI and ACTWU qualify as interested parties with respect to these two HTS item numbers, we are revoking the order with respect to these two HTS item numbers, effective January 1, 1994. The HTS item numbers covered by the order, which are identified in Attachment A, will have countervailing duties assessed under the automatic assessment provision for exports made on or after January 1, 1994 which entered before January 1, 1995.

This determination and notice are in accordance with sections 751 (a) and (c) of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1675(a)(1) and 1675(c)).

Dated: July 25, 1997.

Jeffrey P. Bialos,
Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

Appendix A—C-357-404

HTS List for Certain Textile Mill Products From Argentina

HTS Number

- 5111.1170, 5111.1960,¹ 5111.2090, 5111.3090, 5111.9090, 5112.1120, 5112.1990, 5112.2030, 5112.3030, 5112.9090, 5205.1110, 5205.1210, 5205.1310, 5205.1410, 5205.2400,²

- 5205.3100, 5205.3200, 5205.3300, 5207.1000, 5207.9000, 5407.9105, 5407.9205, 5407.9305, 5407.9405, 5515.1305, 5515.1310, 5801.3600, 6302.600010, 6302.600020, 6302.910005, 6302.910050, 6305.2000, 6305.9000

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Determination Not To Revoke Countervailing Duty Order

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of determination not to revoke countervailing duty order.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (the Department) is notifying the public of its determination not to revoke the countervailing duty order listed below.

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 1, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Russell Morris or Maria MacKay, Office of CVD/AD Enforcement VI, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230; telephone: (202) 482-2786.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On April 29, 1997, the Department published in the **Federal Register** (62 FR 23220) its intent to revoke the following countervailing duty order:

COUNTERVAILING DUTY ORDER

Brazil	Construction Castings (C-351-504)	05/09/86, 57 FR 2252
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Under 19 CFR 355.25(d)(4)(iii), the Secretary of Commerce will conclude that an order is no longer of interest to interested parties and will revoke the order if no domestic interested party (as defined in sections 355.2 (i)(3), (i)(4), (i)(5), and (i)(6) of the regulations) objects to revocation or no interested party requests an administrative review by the last day of the 5th anniversary month.

Within the specified time frame, we received an objection from a domestic interested party to our intent to revoke the countervailing duty order. Therefore, because the requirements of

19 CFR 355.25(d)(4)(iii) have not been met, we will not revoke the order.

This determination is in accordance with 19 CFR 355.25(d)(4).

Dated: July 25, 1997.

Jeffrey P. Bialos,
Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[Docket No.; I.D. 072597C]

Endangered Fish and Wildlife; Draft Recovery Plan for the Blue Whale

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of availability and request for comments.

¹ Coverage limited to fabric, value not over \$19.84/kg.

² Coverage limited to yarn, not exceeding 68 nm.