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G. Other Issues

Background

On (date), the Department of Commerce (the Department) published the preliminary results of administrative review of the antidumping duty order on (product) from (country). The merchandise covered by this order is (description). The period of review (POR) is (date) through (date). We invited parties to comment on our preliminary results of review. At the request of certain interested parties, we held a public hearing on (date).

Discussion of the Issues

1. Facts Available

Comment 1:
Department's Position:

2. Discounts, Rebates, and Price Adjustments

Comment 1:
Department's Position:

3. Circumstance-of-Sale Adjustments

Comment 1:
Department's Position:

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Recommendation

Based on our analysis of the comments received, we recommend adopting all of the above positions and adjusting all related margin calculations accordingly. If these recommendations are accepted, we will publish the final results of review and the final weighted-average dumping margins for all reviewed firms in the **Federal Register**.
AGREE _____
DISAGREE _____

(Name) Assistant Secretary for Import Administration

(Date)
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-423-808, A-122-830, A-475-822, A-791-805, A-580-831 and A-583-830]

Stainless Steel Plate in Coils from Belgium, Canada, Italy, South Africa, South Korea and Taiwan; Notice of Postponement of Preliminary Determinations in Antidumping Duty Investigations

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

ACTION: Notice of Postponement of Preliminary Determinations for Antidumping Duty Investigations of Stainless Steel Plate in Coils from Belgium, Canada, Italy, South Africa, South Korea and Taiwan.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce ("the Department") is postponing the preliminary determinations of the antidumping duty investigations of stainless steel plate in coils from Belgium, Canada, Italy, South Africa, South Korea and Taiwan. These investigations cover 10 manufacturers and exporters of the subject merchandise during the period January 1, 1997 through December 31, 1997.

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 21, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Steve Presing (Belgium), at (202) 482-0194; Maureen McPhillips (Canada), at (202) 482-0193; Rick Johnson (Italy, South Korea, and Taiwan), at (202) 482-3818; Robert James (Republic of South Africa) at (202) 482-5222, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20230.

POSTPONEMENT OF PRELIMINARY DETERMINATIONS: On April 20, 1998, the Department initiated antidumping duty investigations of imports of stainless steel plate in coils from Belgium, Canada, Italy, South Africa, South Korea, and Taiwan. The notice of initiation stated that we would issue our preliminary determinations by September 8, 1998 (63 FR 20585; April 27, 1998).

On July 28, 1998, petitioners made a timely request pursuant to 19 CFR 351.205(e) of the Department's regulations for a 30 day postponement, pursuant to section 733(c)(1)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (the Act), as amended by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act. Petitioners stated that a postponement of the preliminary determinations is necessary in order to give the Department time to address the many issues raised by these investigations. For example, petitioners indicated that they may, if warranted, file cost allegations in cases currently not subject to cost allegations. They added that if such allegations are filed, the additional time would benefit all parties. Indeed, on July 28, 1998, petitioners filed a cost allegation against a respondent from Canada.

Additionally, we have determined that these investigations are extraordinarily complicated and that additional time is necessary beyond the 30 days requested by petitioners for the Department to make its preliminary determinations. Among other considerations, there is a large number of respondents and a complex model match program.

In the investigation of stainless steel plate in coils from Italy, the respondent has informed the Department that it is

not cooperating in the investigation; as a result, the Department will have no choice but to use adverse facts available in its determination. Although no additional time is likely to be needed for the Department to prepare its preliminary determination in the Italy investigation, the Department is postponing the preliminary determination in this case as well so that all of the antidumping cases will remain on the same schedule.

Therefore, the Department is postponing the preliminary determinations of the aforementioned investigations 50 days, to October 27, 1998. See Memorandum from Joseph A. Spetrini to Robert S. LaRussa, which is on file in Room B-099 at the Main Commerce Building.

This notice is published pursuant to section 733(c)(2) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.205(f).

Dated: August 14, 1998.

Joseph A. Spetrini,
Deputy Assistant Secretary, AD/CVD Enforcement Group III.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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: 98-041. Applicant: University of Vermont, Department of Orthopaedics and Rehabilitation, 438A Stafford Hall, Burlington, VT 05405-0084. Instrument: Roentgen Stereophotogrammetric Analysis System. Manufacturer: RSA BioMedical Innovations AB, Sweden. Intended Use: The instrument will be used to make measurements of the biomechanical

behavior of different joints (ankle, knee, shoulder, spine, etc.) thus allowing the study of different types of joint trauma and surgical repair of those joints. Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: August 3, 1998.

Docket Number: 98-042. Applicant: Louisiana State University, Center for Advanced Microstructures and Devices, 6980 Jefferson Highway, Baton Rouge, LA 70806. Instrument: Scanning Tunneling Microscope. Manufacturer: Scideco I/S, Denmark. Intended Use: The instrument will be used to uncover new physical and chemical phenomena at the surface of or in thin films. This will include elucidation of both electronic and atomic structure of material ranging from clean metal surfaces, metal-on-metal films, metal-on-semiconductor thin films, to thin film polymers. Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: August 6, 1998.

Frank W. Creel,

Director, Statutory Import Programs Staff.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[Docket No. 980413092-8192-02]

RIN 0648-ZA39

NOAA Climate and Global Change Program, Program Announcement

AGENCY: Office of Global Programs (OGP), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice; amendments.

SUMMARY: This document amends a notice published in the **Federal Register** of June 16, 1998, regarding the NOAA Climate and Global Programs. The amendments are intended to show NOAA's interest in supporting new PACS research projects designed to focus on seasonal-to-interannual climate variability over the Americas, and to announce a joint initiative between NOAA and the Department of Energy, contingent upon the availability of funding, to support a global synthesis of ocean CO₂ data, with the ultimate goal of estimating the quantity of anthropogenic CO₂ that has been taken up by the global ocean. The dates for receiving Letters of Intent and full proposals for these amendments are changed. All other dates remain the same.

DATES: NOAA/DOE joint initiative research projects do not need Letters of Intent, full proposals must be postmarked on or before September 30, 1998.

New PACS research projects Letter of Intent must be received 30 days after the date of publication in the **Federal Register**, with full proposals postmarked on or before November 6, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Proposals may be sent to Office of Global Programs, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, 1100 Wayne Avenue, Suite 1210, Silver Spring, MD 20910-5603.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Irma duPree at the above address or at phone: (301) 427-2089 ext 107, Internet: duPree@ogp.noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Office of Global Programs published a notice describing the Program and funding area descriptions on June 16, 1998. (63 FR 32859.) The program description, evaluation criteria, selection process, background and requirements, as well as guidelines for applications are included in that notice and are not repeated here.

Amendments

In the notice, FR Doc. 98-15887, on page 32861, second column, first full paragraph, add the following sentence after the first sentence to read as follows: "NOAA is interested in supporting new PACS research projects to focus on seasonal-to-interannual climate variability over the Americas."

In the same document on page 32861, third column, first full paragraph, add the following sentence to replace the third sentence "Proposals are sought which make use of data collected on both the DOE-sponsored Global CO₂ Survey and the NOAA OACES Program."

Authority. 49 U.S.C. 44720; 33 U.S.C. 883d, 883e, 15 U.S.C. 2904; 15 U.S.C. 2931 et seq.

Dated: August 17, 1998.

J. Michael Hall,

Director, Office of Global Programs.

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Adjustment of Import Limits for Certain Cotton and Man-Made Fiber Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in the Republic of Turkey

August 17, 1998.

AGENCY: Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs adjusting limits.

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 21, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Roy Unger, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-4212. For information on the quota status of these limits, refer to the Quota Status Reports posted on the bulletin boards of each Customs port or call (202) 927-5850. For information on embargoes and quota re-openings, call (202) 482-3715.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: Section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854); Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended.

The current limits for certain categories are being adjusted, variously, for shift, special shift, and carryover.

A description of the textile and apparel categories in terms of HTS numbers is available in the **CORRELATION:** Textile and Apparel Categories with the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (see **Federal Register** notice 62 FR 66057, published on December 17, 1997). Also see 62 FR 67839, published on December 30, 1997; and 63 FR 27923, published on May 21, 1998.

Troy H. Cribb,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

August 17, 1998.

Commissioner of Customs,
Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20229.

Dear Commissioner: This directive amends, but does not cancel, the directive issued to you on December 22, 1997, as amended on May 14, 1998 and May 18, 1998, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. That directive, as amended, concerns imports of certain cotton, wool and man-made fiber textile products, produced or manufactured in the Republic of Turkey and exported during the periods January 1, 1998 through December 31, 1998 and June 1, 1998 through December 31, 1998 (Categories 352/652).