

Swasthi

We based NV on packed, delivered prices to unaffiliated customers. We made deductions, where appropriate, from the starting price for inland freight in accordance with section 773(a)(6)(B)(ii) of the Act. We also adjusted for differences in circumstances of sale for credit expenses pursuant to section 773(a)(6)(C)(iii) of the Act. In addition, pursuant to sections 773(a)(6)(A) and (B) of the Act, we deducted home market packing costs and added U.S. packing costs.

Swasthi reported that it had returns of subject merchandise during the POI. On certain specific home market sales, it reported the quantity of the merchandise returned by the customer. Swasthi did not, however, report any additional expenses it incurred as a result of the return of defected and rejected merchandise. Therefore, we were unable to make any adjustments for any expenses incurred under this claim. We did, however, adjust the reported quantity of the home market sale based upon the quantity of the merchandise returned by the customer.

Currency Conversion

We made currency conversions into U.S. dollars based on the exchange rates in effect on the dates of the U.S. sales as certified by the Federal Reserve Bank, in accordance with section 773(A) of the Act.

In the recently completed preliminary determination of *Mushrooms from Indonesia*, an issue was raised regarding the use of two averaging periods for the margin calculations to account for the effect of the devaluation of the Indonesian Rupiah. See *Notice of Preliminary Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value and Postponement of Final Determination: Certain Preserved Mushrooms From Indonesia*, 63 FR 41783 (August 5, 1998) (*Mushrooms from Indonesia*). The petitioners in *Mushrooms from Indonesia* stated that the Department should calculate the weighted-average export price for two averaging periods—January through June 1997, and July through December 1997—in order to avoid distorting dumping margins. In *Mushrooms from Indonesia*, we preliminarily found no basis to depart from our practice of calculating the weighted-average export prices for the entire POI. Although the issue of using two different averaging periods has not been raised in the instant investigation, the effect, if any, of the devaluation of the Rupiah on margin calculations could also be relevant to this

investigation because its POI, calendar year 1997, is identical to that in *Mushrooms from Indonesia*. Therefore, we will continue to examine this issue for our final determination in this instant investigation. We invite comments from the interested parties on this issue.

Verification

As provided in section 782(i) of the Act, we will verify all information relied upon in making our final determination.

Suspension of Liquidation

In accordance with section 733(d) of the Act, we are directing the Customs Service to suspend liquidation of all imports of subject merchandise that are entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. Swasthi is excluded from suspension of liquidation because its rate is *de minimis* under section 733(b)(3) of the Act. We will instruct the Customs Service to require a cash deposit or the posting of a bond equal to the weighted-average amount by which the NV exceeds the export or constructed export price, as indicated in the chart below for companies other than Swasthi. These suspension-of-liquidation instructions will remain in effect until further notice. The weighted-average dumping margins are as follows:

Exporter/Manufacturer	Weighted-average margin Percentage
Bakrie Rubber Industry	13.07
P.T. Swasthi Parama Mulya	0.09
All Others Rate	13.07

Pursuant to section 735(c)(5)(A) of the Act, the Department has excluded all zero and *de minimis* weighted-average dumping margins from the calculation of the "All Others" rate. Under section 733(b)(3) of the Act, a weighted-average dumping margin is *de minimis* if it is less than two percent *ad valorem*.

ITC Notification

In accordance with section 733(f) of the Act, we have notified the ITC of our determination. If our final determination is affirmative, the ITC will determine before the later of 120 days after the date of this preliminary determination or 45 days after our final determination whether these imports are materially injuring, or threatening material injury to, the U.S. industry.

Public Comment

Case briefs or other written comments in at least ten copies must be submitted to the Assistant Secretary for Import Administration no later than February 3, 1999, and rebuttal briefs no later than February 10, 1999. A list of authorities used and an executive summary of issues should accompany any briefs submitted to the Department. Such summary should be limited to five pages total, including footnotes. In accordance with section 774 of the Act, we will hold a public hearing, if requested, to afford interested parties an opportunity to comment on arguments raised in case or rebuttal briefs. Tentatively, the hearing will be held on February 16, 1999, time and room to be determined, at the U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230. Parties should confirm by telephone the time, date, and place of the hearing 48 hours before the scheduled time.

Interested parties who wish to request a hearing, or to participate if one is requested, must submit a written request to the Assistance Secretary for Import Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Room 1870, within 30 days of the publication of this notice. Requests should contain: (1) The party's name, address, and telephone number; (2) the number of participants; and (3) a list of the issues to be discussed. Oral presentations will be limited to issues raised in the briefs. If this investigation proceeds normally, we will make our final determination by no later than 135 days after the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

This determination is issued and published in accordance with sections 733(d) and 777(i)(1) of the Act.

Dated: October 27, 1998.

Robert S. LaRussa,

Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Louisiana State University; Notice of Decision on Application for Duty-Free Entry of Scientific Instrument

This decision is made 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, NW, Washington, DC.

Docket Number: 98-042. *Applicant:* Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA 70806. *Instrument:* Scanning Tunneling Microscope. *Manufacturer:* Scideco I/S, Denmark. *Intended Use:* See notice at 63 FR 44841, August 21, 1998. *Advice received from:* National Institute of Standards and Technology, October 2, 1998.

Comments: None received. *Decision:* Approved. No instrument of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instrument, for such purposes as it is intended to be used, is being manufactured in the United States. *Reasons:* The foreign instrument provides: (1) resolution of 0.01 nm in the vertical and 0.1 nm lateral at all temperatures, (2) operation from 120 °K to 400 °K and (3) internal spring suspension. The National Institute of Standards and Technology advises that (1) these capabilities are pertinent to the applicant's intended purpose and (2) it knows of no domestic instrument or apparatus of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instrument for the applicant's intended use.

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

Frank W. Creel,

Director, Statutory Import Programs Staff.

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Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC.

Docket Number: 98-050. *Applicant:* University of Maryland, Baltimore, Department of Anatomy and Neurobiology, 685 W. Baltimore Street, Room 222, Baltimore, MD 21201. *Instrument:* Visual Stimulator, Model Leonardo. *Manufacturer:* Lohmann Research Equipment, Germany. *Intended Use:* The instrument will be used to provide visual stimulation during experiments on the processing of visual information in ferrets. In addition, the instrument will be used in rotation courses for graduate students preparing for thesis work. *Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs:* October 9, 1998.

Docket Number: 98-051. *Applicant:* University of Maryland, Baltimore, Department of Anatomy and Neurobiology, 685 W. Baltimore Street, Room 222, Baltimore, MD 21201. *Instrument:* Data Acquisition and Analysis Workstation, Model ORA 2001. *Manufacturer:* Optical Imaging Europe GmbH. *Intended Use:* The instrument will be used to provide visual stimulation during experiments on the processing of visual information in ferrets. In addition, the instrument will be used in rotation courses for graduate students preparing for thesis work. *Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs:* October 15, 1998.

Frank W. Creel,

Director, Statutory Import Programs Staff.

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ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at the Crowne Plaza New Orleans, 333 Poydras Street, New Orleans, LA 70130; telephone: 504-525-9444.

Council address: Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, 3018 U.S. Highway 301 North, Suite 1000, Tampa, FL 33619.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeff Rester, Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission; telephone: 228-875-5912.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Louisiana/Mississippi group is part of a three unit Habitat Protection AP of the Council. The principal role of the APs is to assist the Council in attempting to maintain optimum conditions within the habitat and ecosystems supporting the marine resources of the Gulf of Mexico. APs serve as a first alert system to call to the Council's attention proposed projects being developed and other activities which may adversely impact the Gulf marine fisheries and their supporting ecosystems. The APs may also provide advice to the Council on its policies and procedures for addressing environmental affairs.

At this meeting, the AP will tentatively discuss updates on the Caminada Cove project, the navigation canal between the Gulf Intercoastal Waterway and the Barataria Bay Waterway, port activity around Port Fourchon, LA, the Eden Isles project, the Big Island Restoration Project, and a presentation on the Destination Broadwater Casino project.

Although other issues not on the agenda may come before the AP for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. The AP's actions will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in the agenda listed as available by this notice.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Anne Alford at the Council (see **ADDRESSES**) by November 10, 1998.

Dated: October 28, 1998.

Bruce C. Morehead,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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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, DC 20230. Applications may be examined between 8:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. in Room 4211, U.S. Department of

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (Council) will convene a public meeting of the Mississippi/Louisiana Habitat Protection Advisory Panel (AP).

DATES: The meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, November 17, 1998 and conclude by 3:00 p.m.