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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Commission instituted this investigation on May 13, 1998, based on a complaint filed by Oak Technology, Inc. ("Oak") of Sunnyvale, California. 63 Fed. Reg. 26625. Four firms were named as respondents, including United Microelectronics Corporation ("UMC") of Hsinchu, Taiwan. On May 10, 1999, the presiding ALJ issued an ID (Order No. 15) terminating UMC from the investigation on the grounds that its importation and sale of accused CD-ROM controllers are licensed by complainant Oak. On May 12, 1999, the ALJ issued his final ID in which he found that there is no violation of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930 in the instant investigation. The Commission has extended the deadline for determining whether to review Order No. 15 to coincide with the deadline (June 28, 1999) for determining whether to review the ALJ's final ID.

This action is taken under the authority of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, 19 U.S.C. § 1337, and section 210.42(h)(3) of the Commission Rules of Practice and Procedure, 19 C.F.R. § 210.42(h)(3).

Copies of the nonconfidential versions of Order No. 15, the final ID, and all other documents filed in connection with this investigation are or will be available for inspection during official business hours (8:45 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.) in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20436, telephone (202) 205-2000.

By order of the Commission.

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Donna R. Koehnke,
Secretary.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigations Nos. 731-TA-825-826 (Preliminary)]

Certain Polyester Staple Fiber From Korea and Taiwan

Determinations

On the basis of the record¹ developed in the subject investigations, the United States International Trade Commission determines, pursuant to section 733(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. § 1673b(a)), that there is a reasonable indication that an industry in the United States is materially injured by reason of imports from Korea and Taiwan of certain polyester staple fiber, provided for in subheading 5503.20.00 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States, that are alleged to be sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV).

Commencement of Final Phase Investigations

Pursuant to section 207.18 of the Commission's rules, the Commission also gives notice of the commencement of the final phase of its investigations. The Commission will issue a final phase notice of scheduling that will be published in the **Federal Register** as provided in section 207.21 of the Commission's rules upon notice from the Department of Commerce of affirmative preliminary determinations in the investigations under section 733(b) of the Act, or, if the preliminary determinations are negative, upon notice of affirmative final determinations in those investigations under section 735(a) of the Act. Parties that filed entries of appearance in the preliminary phase of the investigations need not enter a separate appearance for the final phase of the investigations. Industrial users, and, if the merchandise under investigation is sold at the retail level, representative consumer organizations have the right to appear as parties in Commission antidumping and countervailing duty investigations. The Secretary will prepare a public service list containing the names and addresses of all persons, or their representatives, who are parties to the investigations.

Background

On April 2, 1999, a petition was filed with the Commission and the Department of Commerce by E.I. DuPont de Nemours, Wilmington, DE; Arteva Specialities, S.a.r.l. d/b/a KoSa,

¹The record is defined in sec. 207.2(f) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR § 207.2(f)).

Spartanburg, SC; NanYa Plastics Corp., America, Lake City, SC; Wellman, Inc., Shrewsbury, NJ; and Intercontinental Polymers, Inc., Charlotte, NC alleging that an industry in the United States is materially injured by reason of LTFV imports of polyester staple fiber from Korea and Taiwan.² Accordingly, effective April 2, 1999, the Commission instituted antidumping investigations Nos. 731-TA-825-826 (Preliminary).

Notice of the institution of the Commission's investigations and of a public conference to be held in connection therewith was given by posting copies of the notice in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, Washington, DC, and by publishing the notice in the **Federal Register** of April 9, 1999 (64 F.R. 17414). The conference was held in Washington, DC, on April 22, 1999, and all persons who requested the opportunity were permitted to appear in person or by counsel.

The Commission transmitted its determination in this investigation to the Secretary of Commerce on May 14, 1999. The views of the Commission are contained in USITC Publication 3197 (May, 1999), entitled Certain Polyester Staple Fiber from Korea and Taiwan: Investigations Nos. 731-TA-825-826 (Preliminary).

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigations Nos. 731-TA-781-786 (Final)]

Stainless Steel Round Wire From Canada, India, Japan, The Republic of Korea, Spain, and Taiwan

Determinations

On the basis of the record¹ developed in the subject investigations, the United States International Trade Commission unanimously determines, pursuant to section 735(b) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. § 1673d(b)) (the Act), that an industry in the United States is not

²NanYa Plastics was not a petitioner in the investigation involving Taiwan. In a letter dated May 4, 1999, NanYa Plastics also withdrew as a petitioner in the investigation involving Korea. In the same letter, DuPont withdrew as a petitioner in the investigation involving Taiwan.

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