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#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

On March 18, 2024, Commerce published in the **Federal Register** its final determination in the LTFV investigation of paper bags from Türkiye.<sup>1</sup> In that notice, Commerce incorrectly listed Umur Basim in the rate table with other companies to which Commerce applied total adverse facts available (AFA) because of their failure to timely respond to Commerce's quantity and value (Q&V) questionnaire. However, Umur Basim timely responded to Commerce's Q&V questionnaire. Therefore, Commerce should not have listed Umur Basim in the rate table as one of the companies with an AFA rate of 47.56 percent. Rather, Umur Basim is part of the group of all other producers and exporters that were not individually examined, and that are required to post a cash deposit for estimated antidumping duties at a rate of 26.32 percent.

Commerce will amend its cash deposit instructions to U.S. Customs and Border Protection consistent with the above correction. Specifically, Commerce will amend the cash deposit rate for Umur Basim to the all-others rate of 26.32 percent effective as of March 18, 2024, the date of publication of the *Final Determination* in the **Federal Register**.<sup>2</sup>

##### Correction

In the **Federal Register** of March 18, 2024, in FR Doc 2024-05675, on page 19296, in the first column remove the name Umur Basim from the rate table.

##### Notification to Interested Parties

This notice is issued and published in accordance with sections 735(d) and 777(i)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, and 19 CFR 351.210(c) and 19 CFR 351.224(e).

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<sup>1</sup> See *Certain Paper Shopping Bags from the Republic of Turkey: Final Affirmative Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value*, 89 FR 19295 (March 18, 2024) (*Final Determination*).

<sup>2</sup> See *Final Determination*, 89 FR at 19295.

## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[C-489-840]

#### Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet From the Republic of Türkiye: Preliminary Results of the Countervailing Duty Administrative Review; 2022

**AGENCY:** Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) preliminarily determines that countervailable subsidies were provided to producers and/or exporters of common alloy aluminum sheet (CAAS) from the Republic of Türkiye (Türkiye), during the period of review (POR) January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022. Interested parties are invited to comment on these preliminary results.

**DATES:** Applicable May 3, 2024.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mark Hoadley, AD/CVD Operations, Office VII, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-3148.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

On June 12, 2023, Commerce initiated this administrative review of the countervailing duty order on CAAS from Türkiye.<sup>1</sup> The mandatory company respondents are Assan Alüminyum Sanayi ve Ticaret A.S., Kibar Americas, Inc., and Kibar Dış Ticaret A.S. (collectively, Assan) and Teknik Alüminyum Sanayi A.S. (Teknik). On December 12, 2023, Commerce extended the deadline for these preliminary results to April 26, 2024.<sup>2</sup>

For a complete description of the events that followed the initiation of the review, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.<sup>3</sup> A list of topics discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum is included as an appendix to this notice. The Preliminary

<sup>1</sup> See *Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 88 FR 38021 (June 12, 2023); see also *Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet from Bahrain, India, and the Republic of Turkey: Countervailing Duty Orders*, 86 FR 22144 (April 27, 2021) (*Order*).

<sup>2</sup> See Memorandum, "Extension of Deadline for Preliminary Results of Review," dated December 12, 2023.

<sup>3</sup> See Memorandum, "Decision Memorandum for the Preliminary Results of the Countervailing Duty Administrative Review of Common Alloy Aluminum Sheet from Türkiye; 2022," dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Preliminary Decision Memorandum).

Decision Memorandum is a public document and is on file electronically via Enforcement and Compliance's Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic System (ACCESS). ACCESS is available to registered users at <https://access.trade.gov>. In addition, a complete version of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly at <https://access.trade.gov/public/FRNoticesListLayout.aspx>.

##### Scope of the Order

The merchandise covered by the *Order* is CAAS from Türkiye. For a complete description of the scope of this *Order*, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

##### Methodology

Commerce is conducting this administrative review in accordance with section 751(a)(1)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). For each of the subsidy programs preliminarily found to be countervailable, Commerce preliminarily determines that there is a subsidy, *i.e.*, a financial contribution from an authority that gives rise to a benefit to the recipient and that the subsidy is specific.<sup>4</sup> For a full description of the methodology underlying Commerce's preliminary conclusions, see the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

##### Companies Not Selected for Individual Examination

The Act and Commerce's regulations do not directly address the subsidy rate to be applied to companies not selected for individual examination where Commerce limits its examination in an administrative review pursuant to section 777A(e)(2) of the Act. However, Commerce normally determines the rates for non-selected companies in reviews in a manner that is consistent with section 705(c)(5) of the Act, which provides instructions for calculating the all others rate in an investigation. Section 777A(e)(2) of the Act provides that "the individual countervailable subsidy rates determined under subparagraph (A) shall be used to determine the all-others rate under section 705(c)(5) {of the Act}." Section 705(c)(5)(A) of the Act states that for companies not investigated, in general, we will determine an all-others rate by weight averaging the countervailable subsidy rates established for each of the companies individually investigated,

<sup>4</sup> See sections 771(5)(B) and (D) of the Act regarding financial contribution; section 771(5)(E) of the Act regarding benefit; and section 771(5A) of the Act regarding specificity.

excluding zero and *de minimis* rates or any rates based solely on the facts available.

Accordingly, to determine the rate for companies not selected for individual examination, Commerce’s practice is to weight average the net subsidy rates for the selected mandatory respondents, excluding rates that are zero, *de minimis*, or based entirely on facts available.<sup>5</sup> We preliminarily determine that Assan received countervailable subsidies that are above *de minimis* and are not based entirely on facts available and that Teknik received countervailable subsidies that are below *de minimis*. Therefore, we preliminarily determine to apply the net subsidy rate calculated for Assan to the non-selected companies.<sup>6</sup> The companies for which a review was requested, and which were not selected for individual examination as mandatory respondents or found to be cross-owned with a mandatory respondent, are: ASAS Alüminyum Sanayi ve Ticaret A.S.; Assan; P.M.S. Metal Profil Alüminum Sanayi Ve Ticaret A.S.; and Teknik.

**Preliminary Results of Review**

Commerce preliminarily determines the following net countervailable subsidy rates exist for the period January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022:

Company	Subsidy rate (percent <i>ad valorem</i> )
Assan Alüminyum Sanayi ve Ticaret A.S. <sup>7</sup> .....	1.08
Teknik Alüminyum Sanayi A.S. ....	0.19 ( <i>de minimis</i> )
Companies Not Selected for Individual Examination .....	1.08

**Disclosure and Public Comment**

Commerce intends to disclose its calculations performed to interested parties for these preliminary results within five days of any public announcement or, if there is no public announcement, within five days of the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register** in accordance with 19 CFR 351.224(b).

Case briefs or other written comments may be submitted to the Assistant

Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.<sup>8</sup> Commerce will notify interested parties of the deadline for submission of case briefs. Rebuttal briefs, limited to issues raised in the case briefs, may be filed not later than five days after the date for filing case briefs.<sup>9</sup> Interested parties who submit case briefs or rebuttal briefs in this proceeding must submit: (1) a table of contents listing each issue; and (2) a table of authorities.<sup>10</sup>

As provided under 19 CFR 351.309(c)(2) and (d)(2), in prior proceedings we have encouraged interested parties to provide an executive summary of their brief that should be limited to five pages total, including footnotes. In this review, we instead request that interested parties provide at the beginning of their briefs a public, executive summary for each issue raised in their briefs.<sup>11</sup> Further, we request that interested parties limit their public executive summary of each issue to no more than 450 words, not including citations. We intend to use the public executive summaries as the basis of the comment summaries included in the issues and decision memorandum that will accompany the final determination in this investigation. We request that interested parties include footnotes for relevant citations in the public executive summary of each issue. Note that Commerce has amended certain of its requirements pertaining to the service of documents in 19 CFR 351.303(f).<sup>12</sup>

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.310(c), interested parties who wish to request a hearing, limited to issues raised in the case and rebuttal briefs, must submit a written request to the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance, U.S. Department of Commerce, filed electronically, using ACCESS. Hearing requests should contain the party’s name, address, and telephone number, the number of participants, and a list of the issues to be discussed. Issues raised in the hearing will be limited to those raised in the case and rebuttal briefs. An electronically filed request must be received successfully in its entirety by ACCESS by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time,

within 30 days of the publication date of this notice. If a request for a hearing is made, parties will be notified of the time and date of the hearing.<sup>13</sup>

Unless the deadline is extended pursuant to section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.213(h)(2), Commerce intends to issue the final results of this administrative review, including the results of its analysis of the issues raised by the parties in any written briefs, no later than 120 days after the date of publication of these preliminary results.

**Assessment Rates**

In accordance with 19 CFR 351.221(b)(4)(i), Commerce preliminarily assigned a subsidy rate in the amount for the producer/exporter shown above. Upon completion of the administrative review, consistent with section 751(a)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.212(b)(2), Commerce shall determine, and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) shall assess, countervailing duties on all appropriate entries covered by this review. Commerce intends to issue assessment instructions to CBP no earlier than 35 days after the date of publication of the final results of this review in the **Federal Register**.

If a timely summons is filed at the U.S. Court of International Trade, the assessment instructions will direct CBP not to liquidate relevant entries until the time for parties to file a request for a statutory injunction has expired (*i.e.*, within 90 days of publication).

**Cash Deposit Requirements**

In accordance with section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act, Commerce also intends upon publication of the final results, to instruct CBP to collect cash deposits of the estimated countervailing duties in the amounts calculated in the final results of this review for the respective companies listed above with regard to shipments of subject merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication of the final results of this review. If the rate calculated in the final results is zero or *de minimis*, no cash deposit will be required on shipments of the subject merchandise entered or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication of the final results of this review.

For all non-reviewed firms, CBP will continue to collect cash deposits of estimated countervailing duties at the

<sup>5</sup> See, e.g., *Certain Pasta from Italy: Final Results of the 13th (2008) Countervailing Duty Administrative Review*, 75 FR 37386, 37387 (June 29, 2010).

<sup>6</sup> See Memorandum, “Calculation of Subsidy Rate for Non-Selected Companies Under Review,” dated concurrently with this memorandum.

<sup>7</sup> This rate is applicable to Assan and its cross-owned companies Kibar Americas, Inc., and Kibar Diş Ticaret A.S.

<sup>8</sup> See 19 CFR 351.309(c)(1)(ii); see also 19 CFR 351.303 for general filing requirements.

<sup>9</sup> See 19 CFR 351.309(d); see also *Administrative Protective Order, Service, and Other Procedures in Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings*, 88 FR 67069, 67077 (September 29, 2023) (*APO and Service Procedures*).

<sup>10</sup> See 19 CFR 351.309(c)(2) and (d)(2).

<sup>11</sup> We use the term “issue” here to describe an argument that Commerce would normally address in a comment of the Issues and Decision Memorandum.

<sup>12</sup> See *APO and Service Procedures*.

<sup>13</sup> See 19 CFR 351.310(d).

all-others rate (*i.e.*, 3.45 percent).<sup>14</sup> These cash deposit requirements, when imposed, shall remain in effect until further notice.

#### Notification to Interested Parties

These preliminary results of review are issued and published in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.213(h)(2) and 351.221(b)(4).

Dated: April 26, 2024.

**Ryan Majerus,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy and Negotiations, performing the non-exclusive functions and duties of the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.*

#### Appendix

##### List of Topics Discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum

- I. Summary
- II. Background
- III. Scope of the Order
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- VI. Benchmarks and Interest Rates
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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

#### Announcement of Approved International Trade Administration Trade Mission

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

**SUMMARY:** The United States Department of Commerce, International Trade Administration (ITA), is announcing one upcoming trade mission that will be recruited, organized, and implemented by ITA. This mission is: Sub-Saharan Africa Rail and Port Trade Mission to South Africa and Angola—August 19–24, 2024. A summary of the mission is found below. Application information and more detailed mission information, including the commercial setting and sector information, can be found at the trade mission website: <https://www.trade.gov/trade-missions>. For this mission, recruitment will be conducted in an open and public manner, including publication in the **Federal Register**, posting on the Commerce Department trade mission calendar (<https://www.trade.gov/trade-missions-schedule>) and other internet websites, press releases to general and trade media, direct mail, broadcast fax,

notices by industry trade associations and other multiplier groups, and publicity at industry meetings, symposia, conferences, and trade shows.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### The Following Conditions for Participation Will Be Used for the Mission

Applicants must submit a completed and signed mission application and supplemental application materials, including adequate information on their products and/or services, primary market objectives, and goals for participation that is adequate to allow the Department of Commerce to evaluate their application. If the Department of Commerce receives an incomplete application, the Department may either: reject the application, request additional information/clarification, or take the lack of information into account when evaluating the application. If the requisite minimum number of participants is not selected for a particular mission by the recruitment deadline, the mission may be canceled.

Each applicant must also certify that the products and services it seeks to export through the mission are either produced in the United States, or, if not, are marketed under the name of a U.S. firm and have at least fifty-one percent U.S. content by value. In the case of a trade association or organization, the applicant must certify that, for each firm or service provider to be represented by the association/organization, the products and/or services the represented firm or service provider seeks to export are either produced in the United States or, if not, marketed under the name of a U.S. firm and have at least 51% U.S. content by value.

A trade association/organization applicant must certify to the above for all of the companies it seeks to represent on the mission.

In addition, each applicant must:

- Certify that the products and services that it wishes to market through the mission would be in compliance with U.S. export controls and regulations;
- Certify that it has identified any matter pending before any bureau or office in the Department of Commerce;
- Certify that it has identified any pending litigation (including any

administrative proceedings) to which it is a party that involves the Department of Commerce; and

- Sign and submit an agreement that it and its affiliates (1) have not and will not engage in the bribery of foreign officials in connection with a company's/participant's involvement in this mission, and (2) maintain and enforce a policy that prohibits the bribery of foreign officials.

In the case of a trade association/organization, the applicant must certify that each firm or service provider to be represented by the association/organization can make the above certifications.

#### The Following Selection Criteria Will Be Used for the Mission

Targeted mission participants are U.S. firms, services providers, and trade associations/organizations providing or promoting U.S. products and services that have an interest in entering or expanding their business in the mission's destination country. The following criteria will be evaluated in selecting participants:

- Suitability of the applicant's (or in the case of a trade association/organization, represented firm's or service provider's) products or services to these markets;
- The applicant's (or in the case of a trade association/organization, represented firm's or service provider's) potential for business in the markets, including the likelihood of exports resulting from the mission; and
- Consistency of the applicant's (or in the case of a trade association/organization, represented firm's or service provider's) goals and objectives with the stated scope of the mission.

Balance of company size and location may also be considered during the review process. Referrals from a political party or partisan political group or any information, including on the application, containing references to political contributions or other partisan political activities will be excluded from the application and will not be considered during the selection process. The sender will be notified of these exclusions.

#### Definition of Small- and Medium-Sized Enterprise

For purposes of assessing participation fees, an applicant is a small or medium-sized enterprise (SME) if it qualifies as a "small business" under the Small Business Administration's (SBA) size standards (<https://www.sba.gov/document/support-table-size-standards>), which vary by North American Industry

<sup>14</sup> See Order, 86 FR at 22145.