enabling the CITES Secretariat in Switzerland to carry out its functions, consider amendments to the list of species in Appendices I and II, consider reports presented by the Secretariat, and make recommendations for the improved effectiveness of CITES. Any country that is a Party to CITES may propose amendments to Appendices I and II, resolutions, decisions, and/or agenda items for consideration by the other Parties.

This is our second in a series of Federal Register notices which, together with announced public meetings, provide you with an opportunity to participate in the development of the United States' negotiating positions for the twelfth regular meeting of the Conference of the Parties to CITES (COP12). We published our first such Federal Register notice on June 12, 2001 (66 FR 31686), and with it we requested information and recommendations on potential species amendments for the United States to consider submitting for discussion at COP12. Information on that Federal Register notice, and on species amendment proposals, is available from the Division of Scientific Authority at the above address. Our regulations governing this public process are found in 50 CFR §§ 23.31-23.39.

In our **Federal Register** notice of June 12, 2001, we announced that COP12 is scheduled to be held in November 2002, in Santiago, Chile. Once the CITES Secretariat notifies the CITES Parties of the exact dates when the meeting will be held, we will publish this information in a future **Federal Register** notice. We will also post that information on our Website, for your benefit.

Request for Recommendations on Resolutions and Agenda Items

Although we have not vet received formal notice of the provisional agenda for COP12, we invite your input on possible agenda items the United States could recommend for inclusion, or on possible resolutions and/or decisions of the Conference of the Parties that the United States could submit. Copies of the agenda for the last meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP11) in Gigiri, Kenya, in April 2000, as well as copies of all resolutions and decisions of the Conference of the Parties currently in effect, are available from the Division of Management Authority at the above address. Copies of a list of species proposals adopted at COP11 are available from the Division of Scientific Authority at the above address. The results of COP11 with regard to species proposals, resolutions, and decisions,

along with other information pertaining to COP11, are available on our Website at: http://international.fws.gov/cop11/cop11.html.

Observers

Article XI, paragraph 7 of CITES provides: "Any body or agency technically qualified in protection, conservation or management of wild fauna and flora, in the following categories, which has informed the Secretariat of its desire to be represented at meetings of the Conference by observers, shall be admitted unless at least one-third of the Parties present object:

(a) International agencies or bodies, either governmental or nongovernmental, and national governmental agencies and bodies; and

(b) National non-governmental agencies or bodies which have been approved for this purpose by the State in which they are located.

Once admitted, these observers shall have the right to participate but not to vote."

National agencies or organizations within the United States must obtain our approval to participate in COP12, while international agencies or organizations must obtain approval directly from the CITES Secretariat. We will publish information in a future Federal Register notice on how to request approved observer status. A fact sheet on the process is posted on our Website at: http://international.fws.gov/pdt/ob.pdf.

Future Actions

The next regular meeting of the Conference of the Parties (COP12) is scheduled to be held in November 2002, in Santiago, Chile. We have developed a tentative U.S. schedule to prepare for that meeting. The United States must submit any proposals to amend Appendix I or II, or any draft resolutions, decisions, and/or agenda items for discussion at COP12, to the CITES Secretariat 150 days prior to the start of the meeting. In order to accommodate this deadline, we plan to publish a **Federal Register** notice approximately 10 months prior to COP12 announcing tentative species proposals, draft resolutions, draft decisions, and agenda items to be submitted by the United States, and to solicit further information and comments on them.

Approximately 9 months prior to COP12, we will hold a public meeting to allow for additional public input. Approximately 4 months prior to COP12, we will post on our Website an announcement of the species proposals,

draft resolutions, draft decisions, and agenda items submitted by the United States to the CITES Secretariat. The deadline for submission of the proposals, draft resolutions, draft decisions and agenda items to the Secretariat is expected to be sometime around June 7, 2002.

Through a series of additional notices and Website postings in advance of COP12, we will inform you about preliminary negotiating positions on resolutions, decisions, and amendments to the Appendices proposed by other Parties for consideration at COP12, and about how to obtain observer status from us. We will also publish announcements of public meetings expected to be held approximately 9 months prior to COP12, and approximately 2 months prior to COP12, to receive public input on our positions regarding COP12 issues.

Author

This notice was prepared by Mark Albert, Division of Management Authority, under the authority of the U.S. Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.).

Dated: June 27, 2001.

Marshall P. Jones Jr.,

Director.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigations Nos. 701–TA–416 and 731–TA–948 (Preliminary)]

Individually Quick Frozen Red Raspberries From Chile

Determinations

On the basis of the record¹ developed in the subject investigations, the United States International Trade Commission determines, pursuant to sections 703(a) and 733(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1671b(a) and 1673b(a)) (the Act), that there is a reasonable indication that an industry in the United States is materially injured by reason of imports from Chile of individually quick frozen red raspberries, provided for in subheading 0811.20.20 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States, that are alleged to be subsidized by the Government of Chile and sold in the United States at less than fair value (LTFV).

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

Commencement of Final Phase Investigations

Pursuant to § 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, which will be published in the Federal Register as provided in § 207.21 of the Commission's rules, upon notice from the Department of Commerce of affirmative preliminary determinations in the investigations under sections 703(b) and 733(b) of the Act, or, if the preliminary determinations are negative, upon notice of affirmative final determinations in those investigations under sections 705(a) and 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 May 31, 2001, a petition was filed with the Commission and Commerce by the IQF Red Raspberry Fair Trade Committee, Washington, DC, alleging that an industry in the United States is materially injured and threatened with material injury by reason of imports of subsidized and LTFV imports of individually quick frozen red raspberries from Chile. Accordingly, effective May 31, 2001, the Commission instituted countervailing and antidumping duty investigations Nos. 701–TA–416 and 731–TA–948 (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 June 6, 2001 (66 FR 30482). The conference was held in Washington, DC, on June 21, 2001, and all persons who requested the opportunity were permitted to appear in person or by counsel.

The Commission transmitted its determinations in these investigations to the Secretary of Commerce on July 16,

2001. The views of the Commission are contained in USITC Publication 3441 (July 2001), entitled Individually Quick Frozen Red Raspberries from Chile: Investigations Nos. 701–TA–416 and 731–TA–948 (Preliminary).

Issued: July 20, 2001. By the Order of the Commission.

Donna R. Koehnke,

Secretary.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Inv. No. 337-TA-460]

In the Matter of Certain Sortation Systems, Parts Thereof, and Products Containing Same; Notice of Investigation

AGENCY: U.S. International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Institution of investigation pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 1337.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that a complaint was filed with the U.S. International Trade Commission on June 25, 2001, under section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. 1337, on behalf of Rapistan Systems Advertising Corp. and Siemens Dematic Corp., both of Grand Rapids, Michigan. A supplement to the complaint was filed on July 9, 2001. The complaint, as supplemented, alleges violations of section 337 in the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, and the sale within the United States after importation of certain sortation systems, parts thereof, and products containing same by reason of infringement of claims 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 9, 13, 17, 18, 20, 22, 23, 24, 27, 29, 30, 33, 35, 36, 37, 39, 42, 43, 45, 46, 47, and 49 of U.S. Letters Patent 5,127,510. The complaint further alleges that an industry in the United States exists as required by subsection (a)(2) of section

The complainants request that the Commission institute an investigation and, after the investigation, issue a permanent exclusion order and a permanent cease and desist order.

ADDRESSES: The complaint and supplement, except for any confidential information contained therein, are 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, SW., Room 112, Washington, DC 20436, telephone 202–205–2000. Hearing impaired individuals are

advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal on 202-205-1810. Persons with mobility impairments who will need special assistance in gaining access to the Commission should contact the Office of the Secretary at 202–205–2000. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its internet server at http:// www.usitc.gov. The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS-ON-LINE) at http://dockets.usitc.gov/ eol/public.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David H. Hollander, Jr., Esq., Office of Unfair Import Investigations, U.S. International Trade Commission, telephone 202–205–2746.

Authority: The authority for institution of this investigation is contained in section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, and in section 210.10 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 19 CFR 210.10 (2000).

Scope of Investigation

Having considered the complaint, the U.S. International Trade Commission, on July 19, 2001, *Ordered That*—

- (1) Pursuant to subsection (b) of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, an investigation be instituted to determine whether there is a violation of subsection (a)(1)(B) of section 337 in the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, or the sale within the United States after importation of certain sortation systems, parts thereof, or products containing same by reason of infringement of claims 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 9, 13, 17, 18, 20, 22, 23, 24, 27, 29, 30, 33, 35, 36, 37, 39, 42, 43, 45, 46, 47, or 49 of U.S. Letters Patent 5,127,510 and whether an industry in the United States exists as required by subsection (a)(2) of section 337.
- (2) For the purpose of the investigation so instituted, the following are hereby named as parties upon which this notice of investigation shall be served:
- (a) The complainants are—Rapistan Systems Advertising Corp., 425 Plymouth Avenue NE., Grand Rapids, Michigan 49505.

Siemens Dematic Corp., 507 Plymouth Avenue NE., Grand Rapids, Michigan 49505.

(b) The respondents are the following companies alleged to be in violation of section 337, and are the parties upon which the complaint is to be served: Vanderlande Industries Nederland BV, Vanderlandelaan 2, Veghel 5466 RB, Netherlands.