

31, 1985. The resultant rate for Productos de Barro for the period July 1, 1984 through December 31, 1984 is 2.92 percent *ad valorem*, and for the period January 1, 1985 through December 31, 1985 is 3.10 percent *ad valorem*. Accordingly, we are hereby amending the final results of the administrative review for the period July 1, 1984 through December 31, 1985. However, as discussed above, we will order assessment only on entries through April 22, 1985, the date prior to the effective date of the revocation.

The Department shall determine, and the Customs Service shall assess, countervailing duties on all appropriate entries. The Department will issue appraisal instructions directly to the Customs Service.

This notice is in accordance with section 516(a)(e) of the Act.

Dated: May 17, 1996.

Paul L. Joffe,

*Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.*

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#### [C-535-001]

#### **Cotton Shop Towels From Pakistan; Termination of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of termination of countervailing duty administrative review.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce (the Department) is terminating the administrative review of the countervailing duty order on shop towels from Pakistan initiated on April 25, 1996.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** May 24, 1996.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Anne D'Alauro or Maria MacKay, Office of Countervailing Compliance, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC, 20230; telephone: (202) 482-2786.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **Background**

On March 27, 1996, Milliken & Company (Milliken), a domestic producer of shop towels, requested an administrative review of the countervailing duty order on cotton shop towels from Pakistan for the period January 1, 1995 through December 31,

1995, for the producer/resellers Anwar Corporation, Bita Textile Corporation, Eastern Textiles (Pvt) Ltd., Fine Fabrico, Hilal Corporation (Pvt) Ltd., Jawad Brothers, Mehtabi Towel Mills (Pvt) Ltd., Mohain Brothers, Pakistan Textile Corporation (Pvt) Ltd., Quality Linen Supply Corporation, Salimah International, Shaheen Textiles, Shahi Textiles, Sultex Industries, The Khans, and United Towel Exporters. No other interested party requested a review.

On April 25, 1996, the Department published a notice initiating the administrative review for that period with respect to those producers/resellers (61 FR 18378). On May 7, 1996, Milliken withdrew its request for review of the same producer/exporters.

Section 355.22(a)(3) of the Department's regulations provides that the Department may permit a party that requests a review to withdraw its request not later than 90 days after the date of publication of the notice of initiation of the review. Since the withdrawal of Milliken's request was timely submitted, we are accepting Milliken's withdrawal and terminating this review.

This notice is published in accordance with 19 CFR 355.22(a)(3).

Dated: May 16, 1996.

Joseph A. Spetrini,

*Deputy Assistant Secretary for Compliance.*

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#### [C-201-001]

#### **Leather Wearing Apparel From Mexico; Notice of Termination of the Countervailing Duty Administrative Review and Amendment to the Revocation of the Countervailing Duty Order**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of termination of the countervailing duty administrative review and amendment to the revocation of the countervailing duty order.

**SUMMARY:** On March 29, 1996, the Department of Commerce (the Department) published in the Federal Register its notice of intent to terminate the countervailing duty administrative review and notice of intent to amend the revocation of the countervailing duty order on leather wearing apparel from Mexico, 61 FR 14076, as a result of the decision by the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit (CAFC) in *Ceramica Regiomontana v. United States*, Court

No. 95-1026 (Fed. Cir., Sept. 6, 1995) (*Ceramica*). In *Ceramica*, the CAFC ruled that absent an injury determination by the International Trade Administration (ITC), the Department may not assess countervailing duties under section 1303(a)(1) on entries of dutiable merchandise which occurred on or after April 23, 1985, the effective date of Mexico's Bilateral Agreement with the United States. Since we received no comments on our notice of intent, we are hereby terminating this administrative review, which covers the period January 1, 1994 through December 31, 1994, and amending the date of the revocation of the countervailing duty order to be effective April 23, 1985.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** May 24, 1996.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Brian Albright or Cameron Cardozo, Office of Countervailing Compliance, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230; telephone: (202) 482-2786.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

##### **Background**

The countervailing duty order on leather wearing apparel from Mexico was issued on April 10, 1981 pursuant to section 303 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). No injury determination was required for cases conducted pursuant to section 303. In the Uruguay Round Agreements Act of 1994 (URAA), which amended the Act, section 303 was repealed because the new Agreement on Subsidies and Countervailing Measures (SCM Agreement) prohibits the assessment of countervailing duties on imports from a member of the World Trade Organization without an affirmative injury determination. The URAA added section 753 to the Act, which provided domestic interested parties an opportunity to request an injury investigation for orders that had been issued pursuant to section 303.

Because no domestic interested parties exercised their right under section 753(a) of the Act to request an injury investigation on Mexican leather wearing apparel, the ITC made a negative injury determination with respect to this order, pursuant to section 753(b)(4) of the Act. As a result, the Department revoked this countervailing duty order, effective January 1, 1995, pursuant to section 753(b)(3)(B) of the Act. *Revocation of Countervailing Duty Orders*, 60 FR 40,568 (August 9, 1995).

However, administrative reviews of periods prior to January 1, 1995 could still be conducted and on April 28, 1995 an administrative review of this order was requested for the period January 1, 1994 through December 31, 1994. 60 FR 25885 (May 15, 1995).

On September 6, 1995, in a case involving the countervailing duty order on ceramic tile from Mexico, *Ceramica*, the CAFC ruled that, absent an injury determination by the ITC, the Department may not assess countervailing duties under section 1303(a)(1) on entries from Mexico of dutiable merchandise which occurred on or after April 23, 1985, the effective date of Mexico's Bilateral Agreement with the United States. On February 21, 1996, the Department implemented the CAFC's ruling in the case of Mexican ceramic tile and amended the effective date of the revocation from January 1, 1995 to April 23, 1985. 61 FR 6630. Because the order on leather wearing apparel is a Mexican order and involves the same set of pertinent facts (i.e., the ITC did not make an injury determination), the CAFC's decision applies to the order on leather wearing apparel from Mexico.

As a result, on March 29, 1996, the Department of Commerce (the Department) published in the Federal Register its notice of intent to terminate the countervailing duty administrative review and to amend the revocation of the countervailing duty order on leather wearing apparel from Mexico to be effective April 23, 1985. We invited interested parties to comment but received no comments. Accordingly, we are terminating the instant review of this countervailing duty order. Also, we are amending the previous revocation of this order, which affects all unliquidated entries, to be effective April 23, 1985, rather than January 1, 1995, in recognition of the *Ceramica* decision.

#### Scope of the Review

Imports covered by this review are shipments of Mexican leather wearing apparel. These products include leather coats and jackets for men, boys, women, girls, and infants, and other leather apparel products including leather vests, pants, and shorts. Also included are outer leather shells and parts and pieces of leather wearing apparel. This merchandise is currently classifiable under *Harmonized Tariff Schedule* (HTS) item numbers 4203.10.4030, 4203.10.4060, 4203.10.4085 and 4203.10.4095. The HTS item numbers are provided for convenience and Customs purposes. The written description remains dispositive.

#### Notice of Termination of the Countervailing Duty Administrative Review and Amendment of the Revocation of the Countervailing Duty Order

This notice serves as notification to the public of our termination of the instant administrative review, covering the period January 1, 1994 through December 31, 1994, and amendment of the revocation of the countervailing duty order on Mexican leather wearing apparel to be effective April 23, 1985. This revocation applies to all unliquidated entries of subject merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after April 23, 1985.

We will instruct the U.S. Customs Service to terminate the suspension of liquidation as of the date of publication of this notice and to liquidate all unliquidated entries of the subject merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after April 23, 1985, without regard to countervailing duties. We will instruct the U.S. Customs Service to refund with interest any estimated countervailing duties collected with respect to those entries. We note that the requirement for a cash deposit of estimated countervailing duties was previously terminated in conjunction with the section 753 determination.

This notice serves as a reminder to parties subject to administrative protective order (APO) of their responsibility concerning the disposition of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 355.34(d). Timely written notification of return/destruction of APO materials or conversion to judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and the terms of an APO is a sanctionable violation.

This notice is published in accordance with section 751(a)(1) of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1675(a)(1)) and 19 CFR 355.22.

Dated: May 17, 1996.

Paul L. Joffe,

*Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.*

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#### Oil Country Tubular Goods From Argentina; Extension of Time Limit for Countervailing Duty Administrative Review

May 20, 1996.

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

**ACTION:** Notice of extension of time limit for countervailing duty administrative review.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce (the Department) is extending the time limit for preliminary and final results of the 1994 administrative review of the countervailing duty order on oil country tubular goods from Argentina. This extension is made pursuant to the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act (hereinafter, "the Act").

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** May 24, 1996.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Brian Albright or Rick Herring, Office of Countervailing Compliance, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C., 20230; telephone: (202) 482-2786.

**POSTPONEMENT:** Under the Act, the Department may extend the deadline for completion of the preliminary results of an administrative review if it determines that it is not practicable to complete those results within the statutory time limit of 245 days. The Department finds that it is not practicable to complete the preliminary results of the 1994 administrative review of oil country tubular goods from Argentina within this time limit. See Memorandum to the File dated May 9, 1996.

In accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act, the Department will extend the time for completion of the preliminary results of this review from a 245-day period to no later than a 365-day period.

Dated: May 20, 1996.

Joseph A. Spetrini,

*Deputy Assistant Secretary for Compliance.*

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