

highest calculated rate from this proceeding (29.89%) is the cash deposit rate currently assigned to Thai Union, which has been carried forward from the 1987-1988 administrative review. Based on the facts of this case, we find that assignment of Thai Union's existing cash deposit rate would be insufficient to effectuate the purpose of the facts available rule. We therefore selected a higher rate, the average of the estimated margins in the petition (37.55%).

Nor do we agree with Thai Union's contention that assignment of 37.55% is inappropriately punitive because it is "demonstrably less probative of current conditions." Section 776(c) authorizes the use of secondary information, which includes information derived from the petition, as a source of facts available, and the SAA explicitly states that the Department may rely upon information contained in the petition when making adverse inferences under section 776(b) of the Act. SAA, at 870. Therefore, the statute and SAA clearly envision the use of petition margins as the source of adverse total facts available, and there is no requirement that the Department prove that a petition margin is "more probative" than any other rate calculated during the particular proceeding. In fact, the SAA emphasizes that the Department need not "prove that the facts available are the best alternative information." SAA at 869.

The corroboration requirement contained in section 776(c) serves the purpose of assessing the probative value of the selected secondary information. To this end, when the Department relies on petition margins or calculated rates as total facts available, our practice is to evaluate the reliability and relevance of the information used as a measure of probative value. See, e.g., *Tapered Roller Bearings and Parts Thereof, Finished and Unfinished from Japan and Tapered Roller Bearings, Four Inches or Less In Outside Diameter, and Components Thereof, from Japan: Final Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Reviews*, 62 FR 11825 (March 13, 1997); *Notice of Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value: Certain Pasta from Turkey*, 61 FR 30309 (June 14, 1996).

In this case, as explained in the preliminary results, we determined that the petition margins are reliable because they were derived from price quotes, U.S. Customs data, import and export statistics, and other public information contemporaneous with the period of investigation. See *Antidumping Duty Petition*, February 28, 1985; *Memorandum for Alan F. Holmer from Gilbert B. Kaplan*, March 20, 1985. We also determined that the petition

margins are relevant because there is no information on the record that demonstrates that 37.55% is not an appropriate total adverse facts available rate for Thai Union. See e.g., *Certain Welded Stainless Steel Pipe From Taiwan; Final Results of Administrative Review*, 62 FR 37543, 37555 (July 14, 1997).

Final Results of the Review

As a result of this review, we have determined that the following weighted-average dumping margins exist for the period March 1, 1995, through February 29, 1996:

Manufacturer/exporter	Period	Margin (percent)
Saha Thai/SAF/Thai Tube/Thai Hong	3/1/95-2/29/96	29.89
Thai Union	3/1/95-2/29/96	37.55

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

Furthermore, the following deposit requirements shall be effective upon publication of this notice of final results of review for all shipments of certain welded carbon steel pipes and tubes from Thailand, entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the publication date, as provided for by section 751(a)(1) of the Tariff Act: (1) The cash deposit rates for the reviewed companies named above which have separate rates will be the rates for those firms as stated above; (2) for previously investigated companies not listed above, the cash deposit rate will continue to be the company-specific rate published for the most recent period; (3) if the exporter is not a firm covered in these reviews, or the original LTFV investigations, but the manufacturer is, the cash deposit rate will be the rate established for the most recent period for the manufacturer of the merchandise; and (4) if neither the exporter nor the manufacturer is a firm covered in these reviews, the cash deposit rate for this case will continue to be 15.67 percent, the "All Others" rate made effective by the LTFV investigation. These deposit requirements shall remain in effect until publication of the final results of the next administrative review.

This notice serves as a final reminder to importers of their responsibility under 19 CFR 353.26 to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of antidumping duties prior to liquidation

of the relevant entries during this review period. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in the Secretary's presumption that reimbursement of antidumping duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of double antidumping duties.

This notice also 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 section 353.34(d) of the Department's regulations. Timely 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 administrative review and notice are in accordance with section 751(a)(1) of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1675(a)(1)) and § 353.22 of the Department's regulations.

Dated: October 7, 1997.

Robert S. LaRussa,

Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Advisory Committee to the U.S. Section of the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT); Fall Meeting and Notice of Availability of Statement of Operating Practices and Procedures (SOPP)

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

ACTION: Notice of public meeting and of availability of SOPP.

SUMMARY: The Advisory Committee to the U.S. Section of ICCAT will hold its annual fall meeting on November 2-4, 1997. In addition, the Advisory Committee has finalized its SOPP and is announcing the availability of this document to the public.

DATES: The open sessions will be held on November 2, 1997, from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. and November 3, 1997, from 8 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Closed sessions will be held on November 3 from 1:45 p.m. to 6 p.m. and on November 4 from 8 a.m.

to 1 p.m. Written comments should be received no later than October 31, 1997. **ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at NOAA Headquarters, 1315 East-West Highway (Silver Spring Metro Center Building 3), Silver Spring, MD 20910 in conference room 4527. Written comments should be sent to Kim Blankenkemper, Executive Secretary to the Advisory Committee, NOAA - Fisheries, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Copies of the Advisory Committee's SOPP also can be requested by writing the Committee's Executive Secretary.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kim Blankenkemper, (301) 713-2276.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Advisory Committee to the U.S. Section to ICCAT will meet in two open sessions to consider information being presented on stock status of highly migratory species and 1997 management recommendations of ICCAT's Standing Committee on Research and Statistics (SCRS). Also in the open sessions, the Advisory Committee will review and consider 1996 ICCAT meeting accomplishments, reports of ICCAT's intersessional meetings, results of the Committee's regional meetings, and implementation of 1996 and prior ICCAT recommendations and resolutions. Furthermore, the Committee will review highly migratory species research and management activities, including an overview of the status of recommendations resulting from the Advisory Committee's 1997 Species Working Group Workshop. Both sessions will be open to the public; however, the November 2 session will be the only opportunity for public comment. Written comments are encouraged and, if mailed, should be received by October 31, 1997, (See **ADDRESSES**). They can also be submitted during the open sessions of the Advisory Committee meeting.

The Advisory Committee will meet in closed session to discuss sensitive information, the discussion of which relates to U.S. negotiating positions to be taken at the Fifteenth Regular Meeting of the Commission to be held in Madrid, Spain, November 14-21, 1997. The Advisory Committee will discuss various options for the U.S. negotiating position during the closed sessions. Accordingly, the determination has been made that the Committee shall go into executive session for the afternoon session of November 3 and for the entire November 4 session.

The Atlantic Tunas Convention Act requires that the Advisory Committee draft its SOPP and make the document

available to the general public. The Advisory Committee has finalized this document. It specifies the processes governing the Committee as a whole, its sub-groups, and its meetings, and it spells out Committee member functions. Members of the public that are interested in receiving a copy of the SOPP should write to the Advisory Committee's Executive Secretary (see **ADDRESSES**).

Special Accommodations

The meeting locations are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Kim Blankenkemper at (301) 713-2276 at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: October 10, 1997.

Bruce Morehead,

Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries.

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COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS

Notice of Meeting

The Commission of Fine Arts' meeting scheduled for October 16, 1997 has been cancelled. The next meeting is scheduled for November 20, 1997 at 10 a.m. in the Commission's offices in the Pension Building, Suite 312, Judiciary Square, 441 F Street, NW., Washington, DC 20001 to discuss various projects affecting the appearance of Washington, DC.

Inquiries regarding the agenda and requests to submit written or oral statements should be addressed to Charles H. Atherton, Secretary, Commission of Fine Arts, at the above address or call 202-504-2200.

Dated in Washington, DC, October 8, 1997.

Charles H. Atherton,

Secretary.

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Adjustment of Import Limits for Certain Cotton and Man-Made Fiber Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Qatar

October 9, 1997.

AGENCY: Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs increasing limits.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 16, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Janet Heinzen, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-4212. For information on the quota status of these limits, refer to the Quota Status Reports posted on the bulletin boards of each Customs port or call (202) 927-5850. For information on embargoes and quota re-openings, call (202) 482-3715.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended; section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854); Uruguay Round Agreements Act.

The current limits for Categories 340/640, 341/641 and 347/348 are being increased for carryover.

A description of the textile and apparel categories in terms of HTS numbers is available in the **CORRELATION:** Textile and Apparel Categories with the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (see **Federal Register** notice 61 FR 66263, published on December 17, 1996). Also see 61 FR 58390, published on November 14, 1996.

The letter to the Commissioner of Customs and the actions taken pursuant to it are not designed to implement all of the provisions of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act and the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing, but are designed to assist only in the implementation of certain of their provisions.

Troy H. Cribb,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

October 9, 1997.

Commissioner of Customs,

Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20229.

Dear Commissioner: This directive amends, but does not cancel, the directive issued to you on November 7, 1996, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. That directive concerns imports of certain cotton and man-made fiber textile products, produced or manufactured in Qatar and exported during the twelve-month period beginning on January 1, 1997 and extending through December 31, 1997.

Effective on October 16, 1997, you are directed to increase the current limits for the following categories, as provided for under the Uruguay Round Agreements Act and the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing: