

Extension of Time Limits for Preliminary Results

The Department of Commerce (the Department) has received a request to conduct an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on stainless steel bar from Japan. On March 23, 1998, the Department initiated this administrative review covering the period February 1, 1997, through January 31, 1998.

Because of the complexity of certain issues in this case, it is not practicable to complete this review within the time limits mandated by section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act (see Memorandum from Richard Moreland to Robert LaRussa, Re: Extension of Time Limit for Administrative Review of Stainless Steel Bar from Japan, October 23, 1998). Therefore, in accordance with that section, the Department is extending the time limits for the preliminary results to February 28, 1999. The Department intends to issue the final results of review 120 days after the publication of the preliminary results. This extension of the time limit is in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act.

Dated: October 26, 1998.

Richard W. Moreland,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-533-810]

Stainless Steel Bar from India; Initiation of New Shipper Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

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

ACTION: Notice of Initiation of New Shipper Antidumping Duty Administrative Review.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce has received three requests to conduct a new shipper administrative review of the antidumping duty order on stainless steel bar from India. In accordance with section 751(a)(2)(B) of the Tariff Act and 19 CFR 351.214(d), we are initiating this administrative review.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 30, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Zak Smith or Stephanie Hoffman, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230;

telephone (202) 482-0189 or (202) 482-4198, respectively.

Applicable Statute and Regulations

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended ("the Act"), are references to the provisions effective January 1, 1995, the effective date of the amendments made to the Act by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act. In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citations to section 351 of the regulations of the Department of Commerce ("the Department") are to the current regulations, as published in the **Federal Register** on May 19, 1997 (62 FR 27296).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On August 18 and 31, 1998, the Department received requests from Jyoti Steel Industries ("Jyoti"), Shah Alloys Ltd. ("Shah"), and Parekh Bright Bars Pvt. Ltd. ("Parekh"), pursuant to section 751(a)(2)(B) of the Act, and in accordance with 19 CFR 351.214(b), for a new shipper review of the antidumping duty order on stainless steel bar from India. This order has an August semiannual anniversary month. On August 25 and 31 and September 1, 1998, we asked that the initial requests be supplemented. Jyoti submitted the requisite additional information on September 3, 1998; Shah and Parekh did so on October 9 and 22, 1998, respectively. Accordingly, we are initiating a new shipper review for Jyoti, Shah, and Parekh as requested. The period of review is February 1, 1998 through July 31, 1998.

Initiation of Review

In accordance with 19 CFR 351.214(b)(2) Jyoti, Shah, and Parekh each provided certification that it did not export subject merchandise to the United States during the period of investigation; certification that, since the investigation was initiated, it has never been affiliated with any exporter or producer who exported the subject merchandise to the United States during the period of investigation, including those not individually examined during the investigation; documentation establishing: (i) the date on which its stainless steel bar was first entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption, or if the exporter or producer could not establish the date of first entry, the date on which it first shipped the subject merchandise for export to the United States; (ii) the volume of that and subsequent shipments; and (iii) the date of the first sale to an unaffiliated customer in the United States. Therefore, in accordance

with section 751(a)(2)(B)(ii) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.214(d)(1), we are initiating a new shipper review of the antidumping duty order on stainless steel bar from India. We intend to issue the final results of this review not later than 270 days after the day on which this new shipper review is initiated.

Antidumping duty proceeding	Period to be reviewed
India: Stainless Steel Bar, A-533-810:	
Jyoti Steel Industries	02/01/98-07/31/98
Shah Alloys Ltd ...	02/01/98-07/31/98
Parekh Bright Bars Pvt. Ltd	02/01/98-07/31/98

We will instruct the Customs Service to allow, at the option of the importer, the posting, until the completion of the review, of a bond or security in lieu of a cash deposit for each entry of the merchandise exported by the above listed companies, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.214(e). Interested parties must submit applications for disclosure under administrative protective orders in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305 and 351.306.

These initiations and this notice are in accordance with section 751(a) of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1675(a)) and 19 CFR 351.214 and 351.221(c)(1)(i).

Dated: October 22, 1998.

Richard W. Moreland,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Applications for Duty-Free Entry of Scientific Instruments

Pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Educational, Scientific and Cultural Materials Importation Act of 1966 (Pub. L. 89-651; 80 Stat. 897; 15 CFR part 301), we invite comments on the question of whether instruments of equivalent scientific value, for the purposes for which the instruments shown below are intended to be used, are being manufactured in the United States.

Comments must comply with 15 CFR 301.5(a)(3) and (4) of the regulations and be filed within 20 days with the Statutory Import Programs Staff, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, D.C. 20230. Applications may be examined between 8:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. in Room 4211, U.S. Department of

Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C.

Docket Number: 98-048. Applicant: North Carolina State University, Purchasing Department, Box 7212, Raleigh, NC 27695. Instrument: Electron Microscope, Model JEM-2010F. Manufacturer: JEOL Ltd., Japan. Intended Use: The instrument will be used to study the microstructure and chemistry of various semiconductors, semiconductor-based heterostructures, metals, metal alloys, composites, and ceramics including high-temperature superconductors and relative multilayered structures. In addition, the instrument will be used for students in the TEM course MAT 515 where they learn theoretical aspects of electron microscopy. Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: October 1, 1998.

Docket Number: 98-049. Applicant: North Carolina State University, Purchasing Department, Campus Box 7212, Raleigh, NC 27695-7212. Instrument: Oxylite Oxygen Monitor, Model 2000. Manufacturer: Oxford Optonix Ltd., United Kingdom. Intended Use: The instrument will be used to measure oxygenation in spontaneous canine and feline tumors, a model of human cancer. These measurements will be done as part of ongoing studies of experimental cancer treatment, and the study of tumor physiology. The instrument will also be used to measure changes in tumor oxygenation produced by interventions such as breathing toxic gases or through use of vasoactive agents. The objectives of these experiments will be to more completely classify the extent of tumor oxygenation, to relate oxygen concentrations to treatment with radiation and/or hyperthermia and to assess changes in oxygenation during treatment. Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: October 6, 1998.

Frank W. Creel,

Director, Statutory Import Programs Staff.

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Adjustment of an Import Limit for Certain Cotton Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Mauritius

October 27, 1998.

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

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 3, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Naomi Freeman, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-4212. For information on the quota status of this limit, 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: Section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854); Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended.

The current limit for Categories 347/348 is being increased for carryforward.

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 62 FR 66057, published on December 17, 1997). Also see 62 FR 67626, published on December 29, 1997.

Troy H. Cribb,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

October 27, 1998.

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 December 19, 1997, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. That directive concerns imports of certain cotton, wool, man-made fiber, silk blend and other vegetable fiber textiles and textile products, produced or manufactured in Mauritius and exported during the twelve-month period which began on January 1, 1998 and extends through December 31, 1998.

Effective on November 3, 1998, you are directed to increase the limit for Categories 347/348 to 1,099,477 dozen¹, as provided for under the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that this action falls within the foreign affairs exception to the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

¹ The limit has not been adjusted to account for any imports exported after December 31, 1997.

Sincerely,

Troy H. Cribb,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Adjustment of Sublimits for Certain Cotton and Man-Made Fiber Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Singapore

October 27, 1998.

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

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs adjusting sublimits.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 30, 1998.

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

The current sublimits for Categories 347 and 348 are being adjusted for swing and 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 62 FR 66057, published on December 17, 1997). Also see 62 FR 67628, published on December 29, 1997.

Troy H. Cribb,

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Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20229.

Dear Commissioner: This directive amends, but does not cancel, the directive issued to you on December 19, 1997, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation