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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

Report to the President on Investigation No. NAFTA-302-1 (Provisional Relief Phase); Broom Corn Brooms¹

Determinations

On the basis of the statute and available information developed to date in the subject investigation—

Chairman Watson and Commissioner Crawford make a negative determination with respect to whether—

(1) There is clear evidence that, as a result of the reduction or elimination of a duty provided for under the NAFTA, broom corn brooms from Mexico are being imported into the United States in such increased quantities (in absolute terms) and under such conditions so that imports of the article, alone, constitute a substantial cause of serious injury or a threat of serious injury to the domestic industry producing an article that is like, or directly competitive with, the imported article; and

(2) Delay in taking action would cause damage to that industry that would be difficult to repair.

Commissioner Rohr determines—

(1) There is clear evidence that, as a result of the reduction or elimination of a duty provided for under the NAFTA, broom corn brooms from Mexico are being imported into the United States in such increased quantities (in absolute terms) and under such conditions so that imports of the article, alone, constitute a substantial cause of a threat of serious injury to the domestic industry producing an article that is like, or directly competitive with, the imported article; but

(2) Delay in taking action would not cause damage to that industry that would be difficult to repair.

Vice Chairman Nuzum and Commissioners Newquist and Bragg determine—

(1) There is clear evidence that, as a result of the reduction or elimination of a duty provided for under the NAFTA, broom corn brooms from Mexico are being imported into the United States in such increased quantities (in absolute

terms) and under such conditions so that imports of the article, alone, constitute a substantial cause of a threat of serious injury (Vice Chairman Nuzum, Commissioners Newquist and Bragg) to the domestic industry producing an article that is like, or directly competitive with, the imported article; and

(2) Delay in taking action would cause damage to that industry that would be difficult to repair.

Background

Following receipt of a petition filed on March 4, 1996, on behalf of the U.S. Cornbroom Task Force and its individual members, the Commission instituted investigation No. NAFTA-302-1 to determine whether, as a result of the reduction or elimination of a duty provided for under the NAFTA, broom corn brooms from Mexico are being imported into the United States in such increased quantities (in absolute terms) and under such conditions so that imports of the article, alone, constitute a substantial cause of serious injury, or a threat of serious injury, to the domestic industry producing an article that is like or directly competitive with the imported article. In addition, the petitioner asserted that critical circumstances exist and requested, pursuant to section 302(a)(2) of the NAFTA Implementation Act (19 U.S.C. § 3352(a)(2)), that provisional relief be provided.

Notice of the institution of the Commission's investigation 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 March 18, 1996 (61 F.R. 11061).

The Commission transmitted its determination in this investigation to the President on May 3, 1996. The views of the Commission are contained in USITC Publication 2963 (May 1996), entitled "Broom Corn Brooms: Investigation No. NAFTA 302-1 (Provisional Relief Phase)."

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By order of the Commission.

Donna R. Koehnke,

Secretary.

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[Investigation No. 731-TA-748 (Preliminary)]

Engineered Process Gas Turbo-Compressor Systems From Japan

AGENCY: United States International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Institution and scheduling of a preliminary antidumping investigation.

SUMMARY: The Commission hereby gives notice of the institution of preliminary antidumping investigation No. 731-TA-748 (Preliminary) under section 733(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. § 1673b(a)) (the Act) to determine whether there is a reasonable indication that an industry in the United States is materially injured or threatened with material injury, or the establishment of an industry in the United States is materially retarded, by reason of imports from Japan of engineered process gas turbo-compressor systems, provided for in subheadings 8414.80.20, 8414.90.40, 8419.60.50, 8406.81.10, 8406.82.10, 8406.90.20 through 8406.90.45, and 9032.89.60 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States, that are alleged to be sold in the United States at less than fair value. Unless the Department of Commerce extends the time for initiation pursuant to section 732(c)(1)(B) of the Act (19 U.S.C. § 1673a(c)(1)(B)), the Commission must complete preliminary antidumping investigations in 45 days, or in this case by June 24, 1996. The Commission's views are due at the Department of Commerce within five business days thereafter, or by July 1.

For further information concerning the conduct of this investigation and rules of general application, consult the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, part 201, subparts A through E (19 CFR part 201), and part 207, subparts A and B (19 CFR part 207).

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 8, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Larry Reavis (202-205-3185), Office of Investigations, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20436. Hearing-impaired persons can obtain information on this matter 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 (<http://www.usitc.gov> or <ftp://ftp.usitc.gov>).

¹ Broom corn brooms are provided for in subheadings 9603.10.05, 9603.10.15, 9603.35, 9603.10.40, 9603.10.50, and 9603.10.60 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States.