

The petitions were submitted pursuant to section 251 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2341). Consequently, the United States Department of Commerce has initiated separate investigations to determine whether increased imports into the United States of articles like or directly competitive with those produced by each firm contributed importantly to total or partial separation of the firm's workers, or threat thereof, and to a decrease in sales or production of each petitioning firm.

Any party having a substantial interest in the proceedings may request a public hearing on the matter. A request for a hearing must be received by Trade Adjustment Assistance, Room 7315, Economic Development Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230, no later than the close of business of the tenth calendar day following the publication of this notice.

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance official program number and title of the program under which these petitions are submitted is 11.313, Trade Adjustment Assistance.

Dated: June 19, 2000.

Anthony J. Meyer,

Coordinator, Trade Adjustment and Technical Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Export Administration Information Systems Technical Advisory Committee; Notice of Partially Closed Meeting

The Information Systems Technical Advisory Committee (ISTAC) will meet on July 13 & 14, 2000, 9:00 a.m., in the Herbert C. Hoover Building, Room 3884, 14th Street between Pennsylvania Avenue and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC. The ISTAC advises the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration on technical questions that affect the level of export controls applicable to information systems equipment and technology.

July 13

Public Session

1. Discussion on activities related to development of an alternative to Composite Theoretical Performance (CTP)

2. Presentation on Inter-processors communications: the Infiniband and the Intel 870 chipset

3. Industry proposal for Commerce Control List item 5E001

4. Additional comments or presentations from the public

July 13 & 14

Closed Session

5. Discussion of matters properly classified under Executive Order 12958, dealing with U.S. export control programs and strategic criteria related thereto.

A limited number of seats will be available for the public session. Reservations are not accepted. To the extent time permits, members of the public may present oral statements to the ISTAC. The public may submit written statements at any time before or after the meeting. However, to facilitate distribution of public presentation materials to Committee members, the ISTAC suggests that public presentation materials or comments be forwarded before the meeting to the address listed below: Ms. Lee Ann Carpenter, OSIES/EA/BXA MS: 3876, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th St. & Constitution Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230.

The Assistant Secretary for Administration, with the concurrence of the delegate of the General Counsel, formally determined on September 10, 1999, pursuant to section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, that the series of meetings or portions of meetings of this Committee and of any Subcommittees thereof dealing with the classified materials listed in 5 U.S.C. 552(c)(1) shall be exempt from the provisions relating to public meetings found in section 10(a)(1) and (a)(3), of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. The remaining series of meetings or portions thereof will be open to the public.

A copy of the Notice of Determination to close meetings or portions of meetings of this Committee is available for public inspection and copying in the Central Reference and Records Inspection Facility, Room 6020, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, D.C. For more information or copies of the minutes call Lee Ann Carpenter, 202-482-2583.

Dated: June 21, 2000.

Lee Ann Carpenter,

Committee Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-570-853]

Notice of Amended Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value: Bulk Aspirin From the People's Republic of China

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 27, 2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rosa Jeong or Ryan Langan, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-3853 or 482-1279, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The Applicable Statute and Regulations

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the statute are references to provisions of the Tariff Act of 1930 ("the Act") as amended by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act ("URAA"). In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Department of Commerce's ("the Department's") regulations refer to 19 CFR part 351 (April 1999).

Scope of Investigation

The product covered by this investigation is bulk acetylsalicylic acid, commonly referred to as bulk aspirin, whether or not in pharmaceutical or compound form, not put up in dosage form (tablet, capsule, powders or similar form for direct human consumption). Bulk aspirin may be imported in two forms, as pure ortho-acetylsalicylic acid or as mixed ortho-acetylsalicylic acid. Pure ortho-acetylsalicylic acid can be either in crystal form or granulated into a fine powder (pharmaceutical form). This product has the chemical formula C₉H₈O₄. It is defined by the official monograph of the United States Pharmacopoeia ("USP") 23. It is classified under the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States ("HTSUS") subheading 2918.22.1000.

Mixed ortho-acetylsalicylic acid consists of ortho-acetylsalicylic acid combined with other inactive substances such as starch, lactose, cellulose, or coloring materials and/or other active substances. The presence of other active substances must be in concentrations less than that specified for particular nonprescription drug combinations of aspirin and active substances as published in the Handbook of Nonprescription Drugs,

eighth edition, American Pharmaceutical Association. This product is classified under HTSUS subheading 3003.90.0000. Although the HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the merchandise under investigation is dispositive.

Period of Investigation

The period of investigation ("POI") is October 1, 1998, through March 31, 1999.

Amended Final Determination

In accordance with section 735(a) of the Act, on May 25, 2000, the Department published its final determination of the antidumping duty investigation of bulk aspirin from the People's Republic of China ("PRC") in which the Department determined that U.S. sales of bulk aspirin from the PRC were made at less than fair value (65 FR 33805 ("Final Determination")). On June 1, 2000, we received ministerial error allegations, timely filed pursuant

to 19 CFR 351.224(c)(2), from the respondents, Jilin Pharmaceutical Import and Export Corporation ("Jilin") and Shandong Xinhua Pharmaceutical Factory ("Shandong"), regarding our final margin calculations. On June 6, 2000, we received comments on the respondents' ministerial error allegations from Rhodia Inc., the petitioner in this proceeding.

After analyzing the submissions, we have determined in accordance with section 735(e) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.224 that we made ministerial errors in the margin calculations for both respondents. The ministerial errors include three errors alleged by Shandong pertaining to Shandong's margin calculations and two additional errors with respect to Jilin that were not raised by any party which we discovered. Specifically:

- We inadvertently neglected to offset Shandong's material cost for aspirin for recycled material inputs.

- We inadvertently added packing costs twice in the calculation of normal value of aspirin.
- We inadvertently neglected to adjust Shandong's overhead expenses calculated for salicylic acid and acetic anhydride processes for aspirin consumption rates.
- We inadvertently neglected to deduct Jilin's movement charges incurred in the United States.
- We inadvertently applied an incorrect surrogate value for freight to one of Jilin's sales.

For a detailed discussion of the ministerial error allegations and the Department's analysis, see Memorandum from Team to Richard W. Moreland, Deputy Assistant Secretary, dated June 20, 2000.

We are amending the final determination of the antidumping duty investigation of bulk aspirin from the PRC to reflect the correction of the above-cited ministerial errors. The revised final weighted-average dumping margins are as follows:

Exporter/manufacturer	Original weighted-average margin percentage	Revised weighted-average margin percentage
Shandong Xinhua Pharmaceutical Factory	42.77	16.51
Jilin Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd./Jilin Pharmaceutical Import and Export Corporation	4.72	10.85
PRC-wide Rate	144.02	144.02

The PRC-wide rate, which is unchanged, applies to all entries of the subject merchandise except for entries from exporters that are identified individually above.

Suspension of Liquidation

In accordance with section 735(c)(1)(B) of the Act, we are directing the Customs Service ("Customs") to continue suspending liquidation on all imports of the subject merchandise from the PRC. Customs shall require a cash deposit or the posting of a bond equal to the weighted-average amount by which normal value exceeds the export price as indicated in the chart above. These suspension-of-liquidation instructions will remain in effect until further notice.

ITC Notification

In accordance with section 735(d) of the Act, we have notified the International Trade Commission of our amended final determination.

This determination is issued and published in accordance with sections 735(d) and 777(i)(1) of the Act.

Dated: June 21, 2000.
Troy H. Cribb,
Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[Docket No. 00061475-0175-01]

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International Buyer Program; Support for Domestic Trade Shows

AGENCY: International Trade Administration, Commerce.
ACTION: Notice and call for applications for the FY 2002 International Buyer Program (October 1, 2001 through September 30, 2002).

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth objectives, procedures and application review criteria associated with the U.S. Department of Commerce's International Buyer Program (IBP), to support domestic trade shows. Selection is for

the International Buyer Program for Fiscal Year 2002 (October 1, 2001 through September 30, 2002).

The International Buyer Program was established to bring international buyers together with U.S. firms by promoting leading U.S. trade shows in industries with high export potential. The International Buyer Program emphasizes cooperation between the U.S. Department of Commerce (DOC) and trade show organizers to benefit U.S. firms exhibiting at selected events and provides practical, hands-on assistance such as export counseling and market analysis to U.S. companies interested in exporting. The assistance provided to show organizers includes worldwide overseas promotion of selected shows to potential international buyers, end-users, representatives and distributors. The worldwide promotion is executed through the offices of the United States and Foreign Commercial Service (hereinafter referred to as the Commercial Service) in 74 countries representing America's major trading partners, and also in U.S. Embassies in countries where the Commercial Service does not maintain offices. The