

recently issued '410 patent. The motion was supported by the Commission investigative attorney, but opposed by certain respondents. On March 5, 2001, the ALJ issued an ID (Order No. 8.) granting the motion. No party petitioned for review of the ID.

The authority for the Commission's action is contained in section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 CFR 1337), and in section 210.42(a) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR 210.42(a)). Copies of the ALJ's ID and all other nonconfidential documents filed in connection with this investigation are or will be available for inspection during official business hours (8:45 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.) in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, SW., Washington, DC 20436, telephone (202) 205-2000.

By Order of the Commission.

Issued: March 21, 2001.

Donna R. Koehnke,

Secretary.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation No. TA-204-6]

Certain Steel Wire Rod: Monitoring Developments in the Domestic Industry

AGENCY: United States International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Institution and scheduling of an investigation under section 204(a) of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. § 2254(a)) (the Act).

SUMMARY: The Commission instituted the investigation for the purpose of preparing the report to the President and the Congress required by section 204(a)(2) of the Trade Act of 1974 on the results of its monitoring of developments with respect to the domestic certain steel wire rod industry since the President imposed a tariff-rate quota on imports of certain steel wire rod¹ effective March 1, 2000.

¹ The imported article covered by this investigation is defined as hot-rolled bars and rods, in irregularly wound coils, of circular or approximately circular solid cross section, having a diameter of 5 mm or more but less than 19 mm, of non-alloy or alloy steel, except such bars and rods of free-machining steel or of alloy steel containing by weight 24 percent or more of nickel. Free-machining steel is any steel product containing by weight one or more of the following elements, in the specified proportions: 0.03 percent or more of lead, 0.05 percent or more of bismuth, 0.08 percent or more of sulfur, more than 0.04 percent of phosphorus, more than 0.05 percent of selenium,

For further information concerning the conduct of this investigation, hearing procedures, 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 206, subparts A and F (19 CFR part 206).

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 16, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Debra Baker (202-205-3180), 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>). The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS-ON-LINE) at <http://dockets.usitc.gov/eol/public>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Following receipt of a report from the Commission in July 1999 under section 202 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. § 2252) containing an equally divided determination on the question of whether certain steel wire rod was being imported into the United States in such increased quantities as to be a substantial cause of serious injury or the threat of serious injury to the domestic wire rod industry, and containing remedy recommendations, the President, on February 16, 2000, pursuant to section 203 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. § 2253), issued Proclamation 7273, announcing that he considered the determination of the Commissioners voting in the affirmative to be the determination of the Commission, and imposing import relief

and/or more than 0.01 percent of tellurium. Certain steel wire rod is provided for in subheadings 7213.91, 7213.99, 7227.20, and 7227.90.60 of the Harmonized Schedule of the United States (HTS). The scope of this investigation does not cover concrete reinforcing bars and rods, or bars and rods of stainless steel or tool steel, which are provided for in other HTS subheadings. Also excluded from the scope of the investigation are wire rod of tire cord quality, valve spring quality, class III pipe wrap quality, aircraft cold heading quality, aluminum cable steel reinforced ("ACSR") quality, piano wire string quality, grade 1085 annealed bearing quality, and grade 1080 tire bead wire quality. These products are described in detail in the annex to Presidential Proclamation 7273 (65 FR 8624, February 18, 2000).

in the form of a tariff-rate quota on imports of certain steel wire rod for a period of 3 years and 1 day, effective March 1, 2000. Section 204(a)(1) of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. § 2254(a)(1)) requires that the Commission, so long as any action under section 203 of the Trade Act remains in effect, monitor developments with respect to the domestic industry, including the progress and specific efforts made by workers and firms in the domestic industry to make a positive adjustment to import competition. Section 204(a)(2) requires, whenever the initial period of an action under section 203 of the Trade Act exceeds 3 years, that the Commission submit a report on the results of the monitoring under section 204(a)(1) to the President and the Congress not later than the midpoint of the initial period of the relief, or by August 30, 2001, in this case. Section 204(a)(3) requires that the Commission hold a hearing in the course of preparing each such report.

Participation in the Investigation and Service List

Persons wishing to participate in the investigation as parties must file an entry of appearance with the Secretary to the Commission, as provided in section 201.11 of the Commission's rules, not later than 14 days after publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. The Secretary will prepare a service list containing the names and addresses of all persons, or their representatives, who are parties to this investigation upon the expiration of the period for filing entries of appearance.

Public Hearing

As required by statute, the Commission has scheduled a hearing in connection with this investigation. The hearing will be held beginning at 9:30 a.m. on July 11, 2001, at the U.S. International Trade Commission Building, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC. Requests to appear at the hearing should be filed in writing with the Secretary to the Commission on or before July 2, 2001. All persons desiring to appear at the hearing and make oral presentations should attend a prehearing conference to be held at 9:30 a.m. on July 6, 2001, at the U.S. International Trade Commission Building. Oral testimony and written materials to be submitted at the hearing are governed by sections 201.6(b)(2) and 201.13(f) of the Commission's rules. Parties must submit any request to present a portion of their hearing testimony *in camera* no later than 7 days prior to the date of the hearing.

Written Submissions

Each party is encouraged to submit a prehearing brief to the Commission. The deadline for filing prehearing briefs is July 3, 2001. Parties may also file posthearing briefs. The deadline for filing posthearing briefs is July 18, 2001. In addition, any person who has not entered an appearance as a party to the investigation may submit, on or before July 18, 2001, a written statement concerning the matters to be addressed in the Commission's report to the President. All written submissions must conform with the provisions of section 201.8 of the Commission's rules; any submissions that contain confidential business information must also conform with the requirements of section 201.6 of the Commission's rules. The Commission's rules do not authorize filing of submissions with the Secretary by facsimile or electronic means.

In accordance with section 201.16(c) of the Commission's rules, each document filed by a party to the investigation must be served on all other parties to the investigation (as identified by the service list), and a certificate of service must be timely filed. The Secretary will not accept a document for filing without a certificate of service.

Authority: This investigation is being conducted under the authority of section 204(a) of the Trade Act of 1974; this notice is published pursuant to section 206.3 of the Commission's rules.

By order of the Commission.

Issued: March 20, 2001.

Donna R. Koehnke,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**Federal Bureau of Investigation****Meeting of the Compact Council for the National Crime Prevention and Privacy Compact**

AGENCY: Federal Bureau of Investigation.

ACTION: Meeting notice.

SUMMARY: The purpose of this notice is to announce a meeting of the Compact Council created by the National Crime Prevention and Privacy Compact Act of 1998 (Compact). Thus far, the federal government and nine states are parties to the Compact which governs the exchange of criminal history records for licensing, employment, and similar purposes. The Compact also provides a legal framework for the establishment of

a cooperative Federal-state system to exchange such records.

Matters for discussion are expected to include: (1) Compact Record Screening Requirements, (2) National Fingerprint File State Audit and Sanctions Criteria, (3) Rap Sheet Standardization, (4) Proposed Plan—Flat Fingerprint Based Applicant Background Checks, including the merits of flat versus rolled fingerprint capabilities, (5) Proposal to Improve Service to the Noncriminal Justice Customers Seeking III Information, and (6) Definition of Administration of Criminal Justice.

The meeting will be open to the public on a first-come, first-seated basis. Any member of the public wishing to file a written statement with the Compact Council or wishing to address this session of the Compact Council should notify Mrs. Cathy L. Morrison at (304) 625-2736, at least 24 hours prior to the start of the session. The notification should contain the requestor's name and corporate designation, consumer affiliation, or government designation, along with a short statement describing the topic to be addressed, and the time needed for the presentation. Requestors will ordinarily be allowed up to 15 minutes to present a topic.

DATES AND TIMES: The Compact Council will meet in open session from 9 am until 5 pm on May 2-3, 2001 and from 9 am until 1 pm on May 4, 2001.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will take place at the Holiday Inn Old Town Scottsdale, 7353 E. Indian School Road, Scottsdale, Arizona, telephone (480) 941-2567.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Inquiries may be addressed to Mrs. Cathy L. Morrison, Interim Compact Officer, Programs Development Section, CJS Division, FBI, 1000 Custer Hollow Road, Clarksburg, WV 26306-0147, telephone (304) 625-2736, facsimile (304) 625-5388.

Dated: March 14, 2001.

Thomas E. Bush, III,

Section Chief, Programs Development Section, Federal Bureau of Investigation.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**Immigration and Naturalization Service****Agency Information Collection Activities: Comment Request**

ACTION: Request OMB Emergency Approval; Petition for Alien Fianc(e).

The Department of Justice, Immigration and Naturalization Service

(INS) has submitted an emergency information collection request (ICR) utilizing emergency review procedures to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with section 1320.13(a)(1)(ii) and (a)(2)(iii) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The INS has determined that it cannot reasonably comply with the normal clearance procedures under this part because normal clearance procedures are reasonably likely to prevent or disrupt the collection of information. INS is requesting emergency review from OMB of this information collection to ensure compliance with section 1003 of the Legal Immigration Family Equity Act of 2000 (LIFE) which allows the spouse or child of a U.S. citizen to enter the U.S. as a nonimmigrant. Emergency review and approval of this ICR ensures that the applicant may apply for this benefit utilizing the revised collection instrument. Therefore, OMB approval has been requested by March 23, 2001.

If granted, the emergency approval is only valid for 180 days. ALL comments and/or questions pertaining to this pending request for emergency approval MUST be directed to OMB, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, 725-17th Street, N.W., Suite 10235, Washington, DC 20503; Attention: Ms. Lauren Wittenberg, Department of Justice Desk Officer, 202-395-4718. Comments regarding the emergency submission of this information collection may also be submitted via facsimile to Ms. Wittenberg at 202-395-6974.

During the first 60 days of this same period, a regular review of this information collection is also being undertaken. During the regular review period, the INS requests written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning this information collection. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted until May 25, 2001. During the 60-day regular review, ALL comments and suggestions, or questions regarding additional information, to include obtaining a copy of the information collection instrument with instructions, should be directed to Mr. Richard A. Sloan, 202-514-3291, Director, Policy Directives and Instructions Branch, Immigration and Naturalization Service, U.S. Department of Justice, Room 4034, 425 I Street, NW., Washington, DC 20536. Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information should address one or more of the following four points:

(1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary