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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Bureau of Export Administration

[Docket No. 010412092-1165-03]

#### Cancellation of Public Hearing on Section 232 National Security Investigation of Imports of Iron Ore and Semi-Finished Steel

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Export Administration, Office of Strategic Industries and Economic Security, Strategic Analysis Division, Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Cancellation of public hearing on section 232 national security investigation of imports of iron ore and semi-finished steel.

**SUMMARY:** In a June 14, 2001, **Federal Register** Notice (66 FR 32315), the Bureau of Export Administration (BXA) announced three public hearings on the investigation that the Department of Commerce initiated, on February 1, 2001, to determine the effects on the national security of imports of iron ore and semi-finished steel. This investigation is being conducted under section 232 of the Trade Expansion Act of 1962, as amended (19 U.S.C. 1862). This notice announces the cancellation of the public hearing scheduled for July 19, 2001, in Irvine, California, due to a low number of requests to speak at that location.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Brad Botwin, Director, Strategic Analysis Division, Bureau of Export Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-4060, [bbotwin@bxa.doc.gov](mailto:bbotwin@bxa.doc.gov) or Michael Vaccaro, Trade and Industry Analyst, Bureau of Export Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-8232, [mvaccaro@bxa.doc.gov](mailto:mvaccaro@bxa.doc.gov). For more information about the section 232 program, including the regulations and the text of previous investigations, see [www.doc-bxa.bmpcoe.org](http://www.doc-bxa.bmpcoe.org) under "Programs."

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

### Background

On February 1, 2001, the Department of Commerce initiated an investigation under section 232 of the Trade Expansion Act of 1962, as amended (19 U.S.C. 1862), to determine the effects on the national security of imports of iron ore and semi-finished steel. The findings and recommendations of the investigation are to be reported by the Secretary of Commerce to the President no later than October 29, 2001. For further details on this investigation, see the **Federal Register** notices of February 6, 2001 (66 FR 9067) and April 18, 2001 (66 FR 19917).

The iron ore and semi-finished steel products subject to this investigation include:

1. Iron Ore
  - Briquettes
  - Pellets
  - Sinter
2. Semi-finished Steel
  - Ingots
  - Billets
  - Blooms
  - Slab

As announced in the June 14, 2001 **Federal Register** Notice (66 FR 32315), BXA is holding public hearings as part of the investigation. The hearings will assist the Department in determining whether imports of iron ore and semi-finished steel threaten to impair the national security and in recommending remedies if such a threat is found to exist. The Department has cancelled the public hearing scheduled for Thursday, July 19, 2001 at the Newport Gateway, in Irvine, California, due to a low number of requests to speak at that location. The June 14, 2001 **Federal Register** Notice provided that any person, whether presenting or not, may submit a written statement through August 17, 2001, 30 days after the last hearing date. Written submissions by persons not selected to make presentations at the Thursday, July 5, 2001 and Sunday, July 15, 2001 public hearings will be made part of the public record of the proceedings. Written statements should be submitted to Brad Botwin, Director, Strategic Analysis Division, Bureau of Export Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Room 3876, 14th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

Dated: July 2, 2001.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

[A-588-846]

#### Hot-Rolled Flat-Rolled Carbon-Quality Steel Products From Japan: Extension of Time Limit for Preliminary Results of Antidumping Administrative Review

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

**ACTION:** Notice of extension of time limit for preliminary results of administrative review.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** July 10, 2001.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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#### The Applicable Statute

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the statute are references to the provisions effective January 1, 1995, the effective date of the amendments made to the Tariff Act of 1930 (the Act) by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act. In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Departments' regulations are to the current regulations, codified at 19 CFR part 351 (2001).

#### Background

On June 30, 2000, the Department of Commerce (the Department) received a request from Kawasaki Steel Corporation ("Kawasaki") for an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on hot-rolled flat-rolled carbon-quality steel products from Japan. On July 31, 2000, the Department published a notice of initiation of this administrative review, covering the period of February 19, 1999 through May 31, 2000 (65 FR 46687). On January 10, 2001, the Department