

noon the next day pursuant to section 210.4(f) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR 210.4(f)). Submissions should refer to the docket number ("Docket No. 3139") in a prominent place on the cover page and/or the first page. (See Handbook for Electronic Filing Procedures, Electronic Filing Procedures<sup>4</sup>). Persons with questions regarding filing should contact the Secretary (202–205–2000).

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This action is taken under the authority of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U.S.C. 1337), and of sections 201.10 and 210.8(c) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR 201.10, 210.8(c)).

By order of the Commission.

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**Lisa R. Barton,**

Secretary to the Commission.

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## INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

### Notice of Receipt of Complaint; Solicitation of Comments Relating to the Public Interest

**AGENCY:** U.S. International Trade Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the U.S. International Trade Commission has received a complaint entitled *Certain Hybrid Electric Vehicles and Components Thereof DN 3141*; the Commission is soliciting comments on any public interest issues raised by the complainant or complainant's filing under section 210.8(b) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR 210.8(b)).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Lisa R. Barton, Secretary to the Commission,

U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20436, telephone (202) 205–2000. The public version of the complaint can be accessed on the Commission's Electronic Document Information System (EDIS) at EDIS,<sup>1</sup> and 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.

General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server at United States International Trade Commission (USITC) at USITC.<sup>2</sup> The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission's Electronic Document Information System (EDIS) at EDIS.<sup>3</sup> Hearing-impaired persons are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal on (202) 205–1810.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Commission has received a complaint and a submission pursuant to section 210.8(b) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure filed on behalf of Paice LLC and Abell Foundation, Inc. on April 15, 2016. The complaint alleges violations of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1337) in the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, and the sale within the United States after importation of certain hybrid electric vehicles and components thereof. The complaint names as respondents Volkswagen AG of Germany; Volkswagen Group of America, Inc. of Herndon, VA; Dr. Ing. H.C. F. Porsche AG of Germany; Porsche Cars North America, Inc. of Atlanta, GA; Audi AG of Germany; and Audi of America, LLC of Herndon, VA. The complainant requests that the Commission issue a limited exclusion order, cease and desist orders and impose a bond upon respondents' alleged infringing articles during the 60-day Presidential review period pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 1337(j).

Proposed respondents, other interested parties, and members of the public are invited to file comments, not to exceed five (5) pages in length, inclusive of attachments, on any public interest issues raised by the complaint or section 210.8(b) filing. Comments should address whether issuance of the

relief specifically requested by the complainant in this investigation would affect the public health and welfare in the United States, competitive conditions in the United States economy, the production of like or directly competitive articles in the United States, or United States consumers.

In particular, the Commission is interested in comments that:

(i) Explain how the articles potentially subject to the requested remedial orders are used in the United States;

(ii) identify any public health, safety, or welfare concerns in the United States relating to the requested remedial orders;

(iii) identify like or directly competitive articles that complainant, its licensees, or third parties make in the United States which could replace the subject articles if they were to be excluded;

(iv) indicate whether complainant, complainant's licensees, and/or third party suppliers have the capacity to replace the volume of articles potentially subject to the requested exclusion order and/or a cease and desist order within a commercially reasonable time; and

(v) explain how the requested remedial orders would impact United States consumers.

Written submissions must be filed no later than by close of business, eight calendar days after the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. There will be further opportunities for comment on the public interest after the issuance of any final initial determination in this investigation.

Persons filing written submissions must file the original document electronically on or before the deadlines stated above and submit 8 true paper copies to the Office of the Secretary by noon the next day pursuant to section 210.4(f) of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR 210.4(f)). Submissions should refer to the docket number ("Docket No. 3141") in a prominent place on the cover page and/or the first page. (See Handbook for Electronic Filing Procedures, Electronic Filing Procedures).<sup>4</sup> Persons with questions regarding filing should contact the Secretary (202–205–2000).

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**INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION**

[Investigation No. 332-558]

**Nepal: Advice Concerning Whether Certain Textile and Apparel Articles Are Import Sensitive**

**AGENCY:** United States International Trade Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of institution of investigation and scheduling of public hearing.

**SUMMARY:** Following receipt of a request on March 30, 2016 from the United States Trade Representative (USTR), the U.S. International Trade Commission (Commission) instituted investigation No. 332-558, *Nepal: Advice Concerning Whether Certain Textile and Apparel Articles Are Import Sensitive*. The report

will provide the advice requested by the USTR.

**DATES:**

May 23, 2016: Deadline for filing requests to appear at the public hearing.

May 25, 2016: Deadline for filing pre-hearing briefs and statements.

June 9, 2016: Public hearing.

June 14, 2016: Deadline for filing post-hearing briefs and statements.

June 24, 2016: Deadline for filing all other written submissions.

September 29, 2016: Transmittal of Commission report to the USTR.

**ADDRESSES:** All Commission offices, including the Commission's hearing rooms, are located in the United States International Trade Commission Building, 500 E Street SW., Washington, DC. All written submissions should be addressed to the Secretary, United States International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20436. The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS) at <http://www.usitc.gov/secretary/edis.htm>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Information specific to this investigation may be obtained from Andrea Boron, Project Leader, Office of Industries (202-205-3433 or [andrea.boron@usitc.gov](mailto:andrea.boron@usitc.gov)), or Natalie Hanson, Deputy Project Leader, Office of Industries (202-205-2571 or [natalie.hanson@usitc.gov](mailto:natalie.hanson@usitc.gov)). For information on the legal aspects of this investigation, contact William Gearhart of the Commission's Office of the General Counsel (202-205-3091 or [william.gearhart@usitc.gov](mailto:william.gearhart@usitc.gov)). The media should contact Margaret O'Laughlin, Office of External Relations (202-205-1819 or [margaret.olaughlin@usitc.gov](mailto:margaret.olaughlin@usitc.gov)). Hearing-impaired individuals may obtain information on this matter by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal at 202-205-1810. General

information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Web site (<http://www.usitc.gov>). 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.

**Background:** As noted by the USTR in his request letter, on February 24, 2016, the President signed the Trade Facilitation and Trade Enforcement Act of 2015 (the Act) (Pub. L. 114-125) into law. Section 915 of the Act authorizes the President to establish a trade preference program for Nepal. Prior to determining whether an article is an eligible article for the purposes of the Act, the President is required to receive the advice of the Commission, in accordance with section 503(e) of the Trade Act of 1974 (the 1974 Act) (19 U.S.C. 2463(e)), that the article is not import-sensitive in the context of imports from Nepal.

In his request letter the USTR notified the Commission, under authority delegated to him in accordance with sections 503(a)(1)(A), 503(e), and 131(a) of the 1974 Act, as amended (19 U.S.C. 2463(a)(1)(A), 2463(e), and 2151(a)), that the 66 eight-digit textile and apparel tariff lines identified in Table A of the Annex to his request letter are being considered for designation as eligible articles for purposes of the Act. The USTR requested that the Commission provide its advice as to whether these articles are import-sensitive in the context of imports from Nepal. He asked that this advice include the probable economic effect on total U.S. imports, on U.S. industries producing like or directly competitive articles, and on U.S. consumers of the elimination of U.S. import duties for Nepal on the articles identified in Table A of the Annex to his request letter (see Table A below).

TABLE A—PRODUCTS BEING CONSIDERED FOR DESIGNATION AS ELIGIBLE PRODUCTS FOR NEPAL

HTS subheading	Brief description
4202.11.00 .....	Trunks, suitcases, vanity & all other cases, occupational luggage & like containers, surface of leather, composition or patent leather.
4202.12.20 .....	Trunks, suitcases, vanity and attaché cases, occupational luggage and similar containers, with outer surface of plastics.
4202.12.40 .....	Trunks, suitcases, vanity & attaché cases, occupational luggage & like containers, surfaces of cotton, not of pile or tufted construction.
4202.12.60 .....	Trunks, suitcases, vanity & attaché cases, occupational luggage & like containers, w outer surface of veg. fibers, excl. cotton.
4202.12.80 .....	Trunks, suitcases, vanity & attaché cases, occupational luggage and similar containers, with outer surface of textile materials nesi.
4202.21.60 .....	Handbags, with or without shoulder strap or without handle, with outer surface of leather, composition or patent leather, nesi, n/o \$ ea.
4202.21.90 .....	Handbags, with or without shoulder strap or without handle, with outer surface of leather, composition or patent leather, nesi, over \$ ea.
4202.22.15 .....	Handbags, with or without shoulder straps or without handle, with outer surface of sheeting of plastics.

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