

investigations on Certain Preserved Mushrooms from Chile, India, Indonesia, and the People's Republic of China 63 FR 5360 (February 2, 1998).

As stated in the preamble to the new regulations (62 FR at 27323), we are setting aside a period for interested parties to raise issues regarding product coverage. The Department encourages all interested parties to submit such comments by April 30, 1998. Comments should be addressed to Import Administration's Central Records Unit at Room 1870, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230.

This period of scope consultation is intended to provide the Department with ample opportunity to consider all comments and consult with parties prior to the issuance of the preliminary determination.

Dated: March 30, 1998.

Robert S. LaRussa,

Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-533-810]

Stainless Steel Bar From India; Initiation of New Shipper Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

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

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce has received three requests to conduct a new shipper administrative review of the antidumping duty order on stainless steel bar from India. In accordance with 19 CFR 351.214(d), we are initiating this administrative review.

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 7, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Zak Smith or Stephanie Hoffman, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230; telephone (202) 482-1279 or (202) 482-4198, respectively.

Applicable Statute and Regulations

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended ("the Act"), are references to the provisions effective January 1, 1995, the effective date of the amendments made to the Act by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act. In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citations to

section 351 of the regulations of the Department of Commerce ("the Department") are to the current regulations, as published in the **Federal Register** on May 19, 1997 (62 FR 27296).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On February 15 and 27, 1998, the Department received requests from Sindia Steels Limited ("Sindia"), Chandan Steel Limited ("Chandan"), and Madhya Pradesh Iron and Steel Company ("Madhya"), pursuant to section 751(a)(2)(B) of the Act, and in accordance with 19 CFR 351.214(d), for a new shipper review of the antidumping duty order on stainless steel bar from India. This order has a February anniversary date. On February 23 and March 17, 1998, we asked that the initial requests be supplemented. Sindia submitted the requisite additional information on February 26, 1998; Chandan and Madhya did so on March 24 and March 26, 1998. Accordingly, we are initiating a new shipper review for Sindia, Chandan, and Madhya as requested. The period of review is February 1, 1997 through January 31, 1998.

Initiation of Review

In accordance with section 751(a)(2)(B)(ii) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.214(d)(1), we are initiating a new shipper review of the antidumping duty order on stainless steel bar from India. Sindia, Chandan, and Madhya agreed to waive the time limits of 19 CFR 351.214(i), in order that the Department may conduct this review concurrent with the administrative review of this order for the period 2/1/97-1/31/98 as requested pursuant to section 751(a) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.214(j)(3). Therefore, we intend to issue the final results of this review not later than 365 days after the last day of the anniversary month. All other provisions of 19 CFR 351.214 will apply to Sindia, Chandan, and Madhya throughout the duration of this new shipper review.

Antidumping duty proceeding	Period to be reviewed
India: Stainless Steel Bar, A-533-810: Sindia Steels Limited	02/01/97-01/31/98
Chandan Steel Limited	02/01/97-01/31/98
Madhya Pradesh Iron and Steel Company	02/01/97-01/31/98

We will instruct the Customs Service to allow, at the option of the importer, the posting, until the completion of the

review, of a bond or security in lieu of a cash deposit for each entry of the merchandise exported by the above listed companies, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.214(e).

Interested parties must submit applications for disclosure under administrative protective orders in accordance with 19 CFR 353.34(b).

These initiations and this notice are in accordance with section 751(a) of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1675(a)) and 19 CFR 351.221(c)(1)(i).

Dated: March 31, 1998.

Gary Taverman,

Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary, AD/CVD Enforcement, Group I.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-583-828]

Notice of Amended Preliminary Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value: Stainless Steel Wire Rod From Taiwan

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 7, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Laurel LaCivita or Alexander Amdur, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230; telephone: (202) 482-4740 or (202) 482-5346, respectively.

The Applicable Statute

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), are references to the provisions effective January 1, 1995, the effective date of the amendments made to the Act by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act. In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Department of Commerce's (the Department's) regulations are references to 19 CFR part 351 (62 FR 27296 (May 19, 1997)).

Amended Preliminary Determination

We are amending the preliminary determination of sales at less than fair value for stainless steel wire rod (SSWR) from Taiwan to reflect the correction of ministerial errors made in the margin calculations in that determination. We are publishing this amendment to the preliminary determination pursuant to 19 CFR 351.224(e).

Case History

On February 25, 1998, the Department preliminarily determined that SSWR from Taiwan is being, or is likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value (63 FR 10836, March 5, 1998). On March 5, 1998, we disclosed our calculations for the preliminary determination to counsel for Walsin Cartech Specialty Steel Corporation (Walsin), Yieh Hsing Enterprise Corporation, Ltd. (Yieh Hsing) and the petitioners.

On March 12, 1998, we received a submission, timely filed pursuant to 19 CFR 351.224(c)(2), from Yieh Hsing, alleging ministerial errors in the Department's preliminary determination. In its submission, Yieh Hsing requested that these errors be corrected and an amended preliminary determination be issued reflecting these changes. We did not receive ministerial error allegations from the other respondent or from the petitioners.

Amendment of Preliminary Determination

The Department's regulations provide that the Department will correct any significant ministerial error by amending the preliminary determination. See 19 CFR 351.224(e). A significant ministerial error is an error the correction of which, either singly or in combination with other errors:

(1) Would result in a change of at least five absolute percentage points in, but not less than 25 percent of, the weighted-average dumping margin calculated in the original (erroneous) preliminary determination; or

(2) Would result in a difference between a weighted-average dumping margin of zero (or *de minimis*) and a weighted-average dumping margin of greater than *de minimis*, or vice versa. See 19 CFR 351.224(g).

After analyzing Yieh Hsing's submission, we have determined that ministerial errors were made in the margin calculation for Yieh Hsing in the preliminary determination. Specifically, we inadvertently used programming language that incorrectly applied a second billet cost adjustment factor for certain steel grades after these grades had already been correctly adjusted with grade-specific adjustments. Furthermore, we also inadvertently double-counted interest revenue in calculating normal value.

Yieh Hsing also alleged that the Department made ministerial errors by double-counting another billet cost adjustment; double-counting the billet cost for a specific grade of billets; triple-counting a grinding loss adjustment;

and failing to use weighted-average U.S. prices. The Department has determined that these are not ministerial errors under 19 CFR 351.224(f). See Memorandum To Holly Kuga From The Team, dated March 26, 1998, for a detailed discussion of Yieh Hsing's ministerial errors allegations and the Department's analysis.

Because the correction of the two ministerial errors results in a change of at least five absolute percentage points in, and not less than 25 percent of, the weighted-average dumping margin calculated for Yieh Hsing in the original (erroneous) preliminary determination, the Department hereby amends its preliminary determination to correct these errors. In addition, we have recalculated the "All Others Rate." The revised weighted-average dumping margins are as follows:

Exporter/manufacturer	Weighted-average margin percentage
Walsin Cartech Specialty Steel Corporation	27.81
Yieh Hsing Enterprise Corporation, Ltd.	2.42
All Others	12.09

Suspension of Liquidation

In accordance with section 733(d)(2) of the Act, the Department will direct the U.S. Customs Service to continue to require a cash deposit or posting of bond on all entries of subject merchandise from Taiwan that are entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register** at the rates indicated above. The suspension of liquidation will remain in effect until further notice. The revised company-specific rate for Yieh Hsing and the "All Others" rate, as well as those rates which have not changed, are listed above.

International Trade Commission Notification

In accordance with section 733(f) of the Act, we have notified the International Trade Commission of the amended preliminary determination.

This amended preliminary determination is published pursuant to section 777(i) of the Act.

Dated: March 30, 1998.

Robert S. LaRussa,

Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-834-802, A-835-802]

Agreement Suspending the Antidumping Investigation on Uranium from Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan

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

ACTION: Notice of Price Determination on Uranium from Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Section IV.C.1. of the agreements suspending the antidumping investigation on uranium from Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan, as amended, (antidumping suspension agreement on uranium from Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan), the Department of Commerce (the Department) calculated a price for uranium of \$11.76/pound of U₃O₈ for the relevant period, as appropriate.¹ Under Section IV.A, exports from Kazakhstan to the U.S. are subject to quotas determined based on price levels as outlined in Appendix A. On the basis of this price and Appendix A of the suspension agreement with Kazakhstan, there is no quota for uranium from Kazakhstan for the period April 1, 1998, through September 30, 1998.

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 1, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Letitia Kress or Jim Doyle, Office of Antidumping Countervailing Duty Enforcement—Group III, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street & Constitution Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-6412 or (202) 482-0159, respectively.

Price Calculation

Background

Section IV.C.1. of the antidumping suspension agreements on uranium from Kazakhstan and Kyrgyzstan specifies that the Department will issue its determined market price on April 1, 1997, and use it to determine the quota applicable to imports from Kazakhstan during the period April 1, 1998, to September 30, 1998. Consistent with the February 22, 1993 letter of

¹ Section IV.A. of the agreement with Uzbekistan calls for a quota allocation that is tied to U.S. Production of U₃O₈. Pursuant to such provision, the quota for the current relevant period for Uzbekistan, October 13, 1997-October 12, 1998, has been announced separately in the letter, *Production-Based Quota Methodology for Uzbekistan*, dated October 10, 1997 in accordance with Section IV.A of that agreement.