

to the HTS subheadings<sup>1</sup> listed below imported from India:

7113.19.25	7418.19.10
7113.19.29	9405.50.30
7113.19.50	

With respect to the competitive need limit in section 503(c)(2)(A)(i)(I) of the 1974 Act, the Commission, as requested, will use the dollar value limit of \$95,000,000.

As requested by USTR, the Commission will seek to provide its advice not later than February 6, 2001.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** November 6, 2000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** (1) Project Manager, Eric Land (202-205-3349), (2) Deputy Project Manager, Cynthia B. Foreso (202-205-3348). The above persons are in the Commission's Office of Industries. For information on legal aspects of the investigation contact William Gearhart of the Commission's Office of the General Counsel at 202-205-3091.

### Background

The subject articles the product of India are currently ineligible for duty-free treatment under the GSP program because imports from India exceed the competitive need limits. The USTR letter noted that as a result of a White House Initiative with India, the Trade Policy Staff Committee (TPSC) recently announced in the **Federal Register** the initiation of a review to consider modification of the GSP with respect to such products imported from India. Modifications to the GSP which may result from this review will be announced in the spring of 2001.

### Public Hearing

A public hearing in connection with this investigation is scheduled to begin at 9:30 a.m. on December 13, 2000, at the U.S. International Trade Commission Building, 500 E Street SW., Washington, DC. All persons have the right to appear by counsel or in person, to present information, and to be heard. Persons wishing to appear at the public hearing should file a letter with the Secretary, United States International Trade Commission, 500 E St., SW., Washington, DC 20436, not later than the close of business (5:15 p.m.) on November 27, 2000. In addition, persons appearing should file prehearing briefs (original and 14 copies) with the Secretary by the close of business on November 29, 2000. Posthearing briefs should be filed with the Secretary by close of business on December 21, 2000. In the event that no requests to appear

at the hearing are received by the close of business on November 27, 2000, the hearing will be canceled. Any person interested in attending the hearing as an observer or non-participant may call the Secretary to the Commission (202-205-1816) after November 28, 2000 to determine whether the hearing will be held.

### Written Submissions

In lieu of or in addition to appearing at the public hearing, interested persons are invited to submit written statements concerning the investigation. Written statements should be received by the close of business on December 21, 2000. Commercial or financial information which a submitter desires the Commission to treat as confidential must be submitted on separate sheets of paper, each clearly marked "Confidential Business Information" at the top. All submissions requesting confidential treatment must conform with the requirements of section 201.6 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR 201.6). All written submissions, except for confidential business information, will be made available for inspection by interested persons. All submissions should be addressed to the Secretary at the Commission's office in Washington, D.C. The Commission's rules do not authorize filing of submissions with the Secretary by facsimile or electronic means. Hearing-impaired individuals are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting our TDD terminal on (202) 205-1810.

Issued: November 7, 2000.

By order of the Commission.

**Donna R. Koehnke,**

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

### Drug Enforcement Administration

#### Importation of Controlled Substances; Notice of Application

Pursuant to section 1008 of the Controlled Substances Import and Export Act (21 U.S.C. 958(I)), the Attorney General shall, prior to issuing a registration under this Section to a bulk manufacturer of a controlled substance in Schedule I or II and prior to issuing a regulation under Section 1002(a) authorizing the importation of such a substance, provide manufacturers holding registrations for the bulk manufacture of the substance an opportunity for a hearing.

Therefore, in accordance with section 1301.34 of Title 21, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), notice is hereby given that on February 3, 2000, Stepan Company, Natural Products Department, 100 W. Hunter Avenue, Maywood, New Jersey 07607, made application by renewal to the Drug Enforcement Administration to be registered as an importer of coca leaves (9040), a basic class of controlled substance listed in Schedule II.

The firm plans to import the coca leaves to manufacture bulk controlled substance.

Any manufacturer holding, or applying for, registration as a bulk manufacturer of this basic class of controlled substance may file written comments on or objections to the application described above and may, at the same time, file a written request for a hearing on such application in accordance with 21 CFR 1301.43 is such form as prescribed by 21 CFR 1316.47.

Any such comments, objections or requests for a hearing may be addressed, in quintuplicate, to the Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Administration, United States Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20537, Attention: DEA Federal Register Representative (CCR), and must be filed no later than (30 days from publication).

This procedure is to be conducted simultaneously with and independent of the procedures described in 21 CFR 1301.34(b), (c), (d), (e), and (f). As noted in a previous notice at 40 FR 43745-46 (September 23, 1975), all applicants for registration to import a basic class of any controlled substance in Schedule I or II are and will continue to be required to demonstrate to the Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Administration that the requirements for such registration pursuant to 21 U.S.C. 958(a), 21 U.S.C. 823(a), and 21 CFR 1301.34(a), (b), (c), (d), (e), and (f) are satisfied.

Dated: October 31, 2000.

**John H. King,**

*Deputy Assistant Administrator, Office of Diversion Control, Drug Enforcement Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

### Federal Bureau of Investigation

#### DNA Advisory Board Meeting

Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, notice

<sup>1</sup> See USTR **Federal Register** notice of November 1, 2000 (65 FR 65370) for article description.