

not later than 5 days after the due date for submission of case briefs. Parties who submit arguments are requested to submit with each argument (1) a statement of the issue and (2) a brief summary of the argument. If a hearing is held, an interested party may make an affirmative presentation only on arguments included in that party's case brief and may make a rebuttal presentation only on arguments included in that party's rebuttal brief. Parties should confirm by telephone the time, date, and place of the hearing 48 hours before the scheduled time.

The Department intends to issue the final results of this administrative review, which will include the results of its analysis of issues raised in any briefs, within 120 days from the date of publication of these preliminary results.

Assessment Rates

Upon completion of this administrative review, the Department shall determine, and the U.S. Customs Service shall assess, antidumping duties on all appropriate entries. The Department will issue appraisal instructions directly to the U.S. Customs Service upon completion of this review. For assessment purposes, for Qingdao Rirong, where appropriate, we will calculate importer-specific assessment rates for freshwater crawfish tail meat from the PRC. We will divide the total dumping margins (calculated as the difference between NV and EP) for each importer by the total quantity of subject merchandise sold by Qingdao Rirong to that importer during the POR. Upon the completion of this review, we will direct Customs to assess the resulting quantity-based rates against the weight in kilograms of each entry of the subject merchandise by the importer during the POR. See *Memorandum to Barbara E. Tillman through Maureen Flannery, from Mark Hoadley: Collection of Cash Deposits and Assessment of Duties on Freshwater Crawfish from the PRC* (August 27, 2001), and placed on the record of this review. Also upon completion of this review, for China Kingdom and all exporters subject to the PRC-wide rate, we will direct Customs to assess the resulting ad valorem rates against the entered value of each entry of the subject merchandise during the POR. The Department will issue appropriate assessment instructions directly to the Customs Service within 15 days of publication of the final results of review.

Notification to Importers

This notice also serves as a preliminary reminder to importers of their responsibility under 19 CFR

351.402(f) of the Department's regulations to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of antidumping duties prior to liquidation of the relevant entries during this review period. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in the Secretary's presumption that reimbursement of antidumping duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of double antidumping duties.

This administrative review and this notice are published in accordance with section 751(a)(1) of the Act, and sections 351.213 and 351.221 of the Department's regulations.

Dated: September 30, 2002.

Faryar Shirzad,

Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-447-801]

Notice of Initiation of a Changed Circumstances Review of the Antidumping Duty Order on Solid Urea From Estonia

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

ACTION: Notice of initiation and request for comments.

DATES: October 16, 2002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: George Smolik, Office of Policy, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-1843.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce is initiating a changed circumstances review in order to examine whether Estonia is still a non-market economy country for purposes of the antidumping and countervailing duty laws.

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 ("Department") regulations are to 19 CFR part 351 (2002).

Background

The Department received a letter from the Republic of Estonia Ministry of Foreign Affairs dated July 10, 2002, requesting a review of Estonia's status as a non-market economy ("NME") country. In the letter, the Government of Estonia submitted documentation supporting its request for market economy status. The Department subsequently received a letter from the Ambassador of Estonia to the United States dated September 20, 2002, requesting a review of Estonia's non-market economy status under a changed circumstances review of the antidumping duty order on solid urea from Estonia.

In response to this latter request, the Department is initiating a changed circumstances review in order to examine whether Estonia is still a non-market economy country for purposes of the antidumping and countervailing duty laws, pursuant to sections 751(b) and 771(18)(C)(ii) of the Act.

The Department has treated Estonia as an NME country in all past antidumping duty investigations and administrative reviews. See, e.g., Urea From the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics; Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value, 52 FR 19557 (May 26, 1987); and, Solid Urea from the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics—Transfer of the Antidumping Duty Order on Solid Urea From the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics to the Commonwealth of Independent States and the Baltic States and Opportunity to Comment, 57 FR 28828 (June 29, 1992). A designation as an NME remains in effect until it is revoked by the Department. See section 771(18)(C)(i) of the Act.

Opportunity for Public Comment

As part of this inquiry to determine whether to revoke Estonia's NME status, the Department is interested in receiving public comment with respect to Estonia on the factors listed in section 771(18)(B) of the Act, which the Department must take into account in making a market/non-market economy determination: (i) The extent to which the currency of the foreign country is convertible into the currency of other countries; (ii) the extent to which wage rates in the foreign country are determined by free bargaining between labor and management; (iii) the extent to which joint ventures or other investments by firms of other foreign countries are permitted in the foreign country; (iv) the extent of government ownership or control of the means of production; (v) the extent of government control over allocation of resources and

over price and output decisions of enterprises; and (vi) such other factors as the administering authority considers appropriate.

Comments—Deadline, Format, and Number of Copies

The deadline for submission of comments will be 45 days after the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. All comments should be filed at the Department of Commerce Central Records Unit located at the address listed below. Rebuttal comments may be submitted up to 30 days after the date initial comments are due. Each person submitting comments should include his or her name and address, and give reasons for any recommendation. To facilitate their consideration by the Department, comments should be submitted in the following format: (1) Begin each comment on a separate page; (2) concisely state the issue identified and discussed in the comment and include any supporting documentation in exhibits or appendices; (3) provide a brief summary of the comment (a maximum of 3 sentences) and label this section "summary of comment;" (4) provide an index or table of contents; and (5) include the case number A-447-801 in the top right hand corner of the submission. To simplify the processing and distribution of comments, the Department requires the submission of documents in electronic form accompanied by an original and six copies in paper form. We require that documents filed in electronic form be on DOS formatted 3.5' diskettes and prepared in either WordPerfect 9 format or a format that the WordPerfect program can convert and import into WordPerfect 9. Please submit comments in separate files on the diskette. Comments received on diskette will be made available to the public on the Internet at Import Administration's Web site, <http://ia.ita.doc.gov>. Paper copies will be available for reading and photocopying in the Central Records Unit, Room B-099, U.S. Department of Commerce, Pennsylvania Avenue and 14th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20230. Any questions concerning file formatting, document conversion, access on the Internet, or other file requirements should be addressed to Andrew Lee Beller, Import Administration Webmaster, (202) 482-0866.

Hearing

After reviewing all comments and rebuttal comments, the Department will determine whether a public hearing on the NME country issue is warranted, if

one is requested in the initial or rebuttal comments on this issue. If the Department determines that a hearing is warranted, the Department will announce a place and time for that hearing.

This determination is issued and published in accordance with sections 751(b) and 771(18)(C)(ii).

Dated: October 8, 2002.

Faryar Shirzad,

Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-580-831]

Stainless Steel Sheet and Strip in Coils from Taiwan: Notice of Court Decision

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

ACTION: Notice of Court Decision.

SUMMARY: On August 22, 2002, the United States Court of International Trade ("Court") sustained the final remand determination made by the Department of Commerce ("the Department") pursuant to the Court's remand of the final determination of the administrative review of stainless steel sheet and strip in coils from Taiwan. *See Tung Mung Development Co., Ltd. v. United States*, Ct. No. 99-07-00457, Slip Op. 02-93 (Ct. Int'l Trade August 22, 2002) ("*Tung Mung II*"). This case arises out of the Department's Notice of Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value: *Stainless Steel Sheet and Strip in Coils from Taiwan*; 64 FR 30592 (June 8, 1999) ("*Final Determination*"). The final judgment in this case was not in harmony with the Department's June 1999 *Final Determination*.

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 2, 2002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Laurel LaCivita, Antidumping/Countervailing Duty Enforcement, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington DC 20230; telephone (202) 482-4243.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Court of International Trade in *Tung Mung II* affirmed the Department's remand redetermination, which related to the Department's middleman dumping methodology and the antidumping margin assigned to the Tung Mung

Development Co., Ltd. ("*Tung Mung*") and Yieh United Steel Company Ltd. ("*YUSCO*").

In *Tung Mung Development Co., Ltd. v. United States*, Slip Op. 01-83, Ct. Int'l Trade LEXIS 94 (July 3, 2001) ("*Tung Mung I*"), the Court remanded the Department's determination on the issue of the single, weighted-average rate for producers and middlemen. The Court ordered the Department to "either provide a reasonable explanation of substantial evidence for its change in practice, or * * * apply a combination rate, consistent with its prior practice."

On November 8, 2001, the Department issued its draft results of redetermination of remand for comment by interested parties. On November 15, 2001, petitioners¹ and Tung Mung submitted comments in response to the Department's draft results of redetermination of remand. Plaintiff-Intervener YUSCO did not file comments in response to the Department's draft results of redetermination of remand. On November 20, 2001, petitioners, Tung Mung and YUSCO submitted rebuttal comments. On November 28, 2001, the Department issued its final results of redetermination of remand to the Court. The remand redetermination explained the legal authority under which the Department may apply *either* a single weighted-average rate or a combination rate in a middleman dumping case, depending on the facts of the case. The Department reconsidered its use of a single weighted-average rate in this case, in response to the Court's expressed concern, and applied instead combination rates to both Tung Mung's and YUSCO's merchandise.

On August 22, 2002, the Court affirmed the Department's analysis and recognized the authority of the Department to apply either a single weighted-average rate or a combination rate in a middleman dumping case, depending on the facts of the case. It then sustained the Department's redetermination of remand. *See Tung Mung II*.

In its decision in *Timkin Co. v. United States*, 893 F.2d 337, 341 (Fed. Cir. 1990) ("*Timkin*"), the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit held that, pursuant to 19 U.S.C. § 1516a(e), the Department must publish a notice of a court decision which is not "in harmony" with a Department determination, and must suspend

¹ Allegheny Ludlum, AK Steel Corporation (formerly Armco, Inc.), J&L Specialty Steel, Inc., North American Stainless, Butler-Armco Independent Union, Zanesville Armco Independent Union, and the United Steelworkers of America, AFL-CIO/CLC.