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Hearing

After reviewing all comments and rebuttal comments, the Department will hold a public hearing on the NME country issue if one is requested in the initial or rebuttal comments on this issue by an interested party, as defined by section 771(9) of the Act, or if the Department determines that one is warranted. If the Department holds a hearing, 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) of the Act.

Dated: April 20, 2005.

Joseph A. Spetrini,

Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

(A-449-804)

Steel Concrete Reinforcing Bars from Latvia: Extension of the Time Limit for the Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 26, 2005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Daniel O'Brien or Shane Subler at (202) 482-1376 or (202) 482-0189, respectively; AD/CVD Operations, Office 1, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

TIME LIMITS:

Statutory Time Limits

Section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), requires the Department of Commerce (the Department) to complete the preliminary results of an administrative review within 245 days after the last day of the anniversary month of an order/finding for which a review is requested,

and the final results within 120 days after the date on which the preliminary results are published. However, if it is not practicable to complete the review within these time periods, section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act allows the Department to extend the time limit for (1) the preliminary results to a maximum of 365 days after the last day of the anniversary month of an order/finding for which a review is requested, and (2) the final results to 180 days (or 300 days if the Department does not extend the time limit for the preliminary results) from the date of publication of the preliminary results.

Background

On September 27, 2004, Joint Stock Company Liepajas Metalurgs, a Latvian producer of subject merchandise, requested an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on Steel Concrete Reinforcing Bars from Latvia. On September 30, 2004, the petitioners in the proceeding, the Rebar Trade Action Coalition¹ and its individual members, also requested an administrative review of the antidumping order. On October 22, 2004, the Department published a notice of initiation of the administrative review, covering the period September 1, 2003, through August 31, 2004 (69 FR 62022). The preliminary results are currently due no later than June 2, 2005.

Extension of Time Limit for Preliminary Results of Review

We determine that it is not practicable to complete the preliminary results of this review within the original time limits. Several complex issues related to merchandise classification and cost of production have been raised during the course of this administrative review. The Department needs more time to address these items and evaluate the issues more thoroughly.

For the reasons noted above, we are extending the time limit for completion of the preliminary results until no later than August 1, 2005. We intend to issue the final results no later than 120 days after publication of the preliminary results.

This notice is issued and published in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act.

Dated: April 20, 2005.

Barbara E. Tillman,

Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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¹ The Rebar Trade Action Coalition comprises Gerdau Ameristeel, CMC Steel Group, Nucor Corporation, and TAMCO.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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General Advisory Committee to the U.S. Section to the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC); Meeting Announcement

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice; public meeting.

SUMMARY: NMFS announces the meeting of the General Advisory Committee to the U.S. Section to the IATTC on May 12, 2005.

DATES: The open session of the General Advisory Committee meeting will be held on May 12, 2005, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. If necessary, a closed session will be held May 12, 2005, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at NMFS, Southwest Regional Office, 501 West Ocean Blvd., Suite 3300, Long Beach, California, 90803-4213.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: J. Allison Routt at (562) 980-4019.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the Tuna Conventions Act, as amended, the Department of State has appointed a General Advisory Committee to the U.S. Section to the IATTC. The U.S. section consists of the four U.S. Commissioners to the IATTC and the representative of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Oceans and Fisheries. The Advisory Committee supports the work of the U.S. Section in a solely advisory capacity with respect to U.S. participation in the work of the IATTC, with particular reference to the development of policies and negotiating positions pursued at meetings of the IATTC. NMFS, Southwest Region, administers the Advisory Committee in cooperation with the Department of State.

The General Advisory Committee to the U.S. Section to the IATTC will meet to receive and discuss information on: (1) the results of the June 2004 Annual Meeting of the IATTC, (2) 2004 IATTC activities, (3) recent and upcoming meetings of IATTC working groups, and (4) Advisory Committee operational issues. The public will have access to the open session of the meeting, but there will be no opportunity for public comment.

If necessary, the General Advisory Committee will convene an executive session during the afternoon of May 12,