

EXPLANATION OF COMMISSION DETERMINATION ON ADEQUACY

in

Steel Concrete Reinforcing Bar from Turkey
Inv. No. 731-TA-745 (Review)

On June 4, 2002, the Commission determined that it should proceed to a full review in the subject five-year review pursuant to section 751(c)(5) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U.S.C. § 1675(c)(5)).

The Commission determined that both the domestic and respondent interested party group responses to the notice of institution were adequate and voted to conduct a full review. Regarding domestic interested parties,¹ the Commission received individual responses from four domestic producers of steel concrete reinforcing bar (“rebar”). The record indicates that these producers accounted for the majority of domestic production of rebar in the Eastern Tier region in 2001.² With respect to respondent interested parties, the Commission received a joint response, which contained company specific information, on behalf of five Turkish producers accounting for the majority of rebar production in Turkey in 2001.³

A record of the Commissioners' votes is available from the Office of the Secretary and at the Commission's website (<http://www.usitc.gov>).

¹ The record for factual information on the adequacy phase of this review closed on May 6, 2002. Therefore, new information submitted by domestic interested parties in their May 15, 2002 comments on adequacy, specifically Attachment 2 and references to it on pages 3 and 4 of the comments, were disregarded.

² In the original investigation, the Commission defined a regional domestic industry consisting of domestic producers of rebar in the Eastern Tier region.

³ The association, Istanbul Mineral and Metals Exporters Association (“IMMIB”), does not constitute an interested party pursuant to 19 U.S.C. § 1677(9)(A) since a majority of its members are not foreign producers, exporters or importers of subject merchandise. However, the four Turkish producers of rebar that provided it information to IMMIB and on whose behalf IMMIB submitted that information to the Commission constitute interested parties pursuant to 19 U.S.C. § 1677(9)(A).