

EXPLANATION OF COMMISSION DETERMINATION ON ADEQUACY

in

Industrial Nitrocellulose From Brazil, China, France, Germany, Japan, Korea, United Kingdom, and Yugoslavia, Invs. Nos. 731-TA-96, 439-445 (Review)

On September 3, 1999, the Commission determined that it should proceed to full reviews in the subject five-year reviews pursuant to section 751(C)(5) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. § 1675(c)(5).

Regarding domestic interested parties, the Commission received a response from the sole domestic producer of industrial nitrocellulose, Hercules, Inc. Regarding respondent interested parties, the Commission received responses from Berbera, N.C. (a French producer and exporter of industrial nitrocellulose); SNIPE North America LLC and TECO, Inc. (U.S. affiliates of Berbera); Wolff Walsrode AG, Chemical Division, (a German producer and exporter of industrial nitrocellulose); Bayer Corporation (a U.S. importer of industrial nitrocellulose); Nobel Enterprises (a United Kingdom producer and exporter of industrial nitrocellulose); and ICI Americas Inc. (a U.S. importer of industrial nitrocellulose). These companies account for a significant share of production, exports, and/or imports, as the case may be, from France, Germany and the United Kingdom. In the reviews concerning subject merchandise from Brazil, China, Japan, Korea, and Yugoslavia, the Commission did not receive a response from any respondent interested parties.

The Commission determined that the domestic interested party group responses and respondent interested party group responses for the reviews concerning subject merchandise from France, Germany, and the United Kingdom were adequate and that it should proceed to full reviews for *Industrial Nitrocellulose from France, Germany, and the United Kingdom*. Because no respondent interested party responded to the notice of institution concerning the reviews for subject merchandise from Brazil, China, Japan, Korea, and Yugoslavia, the Commission determined that the respondent interested party group responses for those reviews were inadequate. However, the Commission determined to conduct full reviews for the orders covering these five countries to promote administrative efficiency in light of the Commission's decision to conduct full reviews with respect to *Industrial Nitrocellulose from France, Germany, and the United Kingdom*. Commissioner Crawford dissented from the Commission's decision to conduct full reviews with respect to subject merchandise from Brazil, China, Japan, Korea, and Yugoslavia and determined that the Commission should conduct expedited reviews of the orders covering those countries.