

EXPLANATION OF COMMISSION DETERMINATIONS ON ADEQUACY

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*Certain Steel Concrete Reinforcing Bar from Belarus, China,
Indonesia, Latvia, Moldova, Poland and Ukraine*
Inv. Nos. 731-TA-873-875, 878-880 and 882 (Second Review)

On October 5, 2012, the Commission determined to conduct full reviews in the subject five-year reviews pursuant to section 751(c)(3)(B) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. § 1675(c)(3)(B).

The Commission received a joint response on behalf of the Rebar Trade Action Coalition and its individual members, which are domestic producers Nucor Corp., Commercial Metals Company, Gerdau Long Steel North America, and Cascade Steel Rolling Hills Inc. These producers collectively accounted for virtually all domestic steel concrete reinforcing bar (“rebar”) production in 2011. The Commission found the response of these domestic producers to be individually adequate. The Commission also found that the domestic interested party group response to its notice of institution was adequate for all reviews.

The Commission also received responses to the notice of institution from JSC Liepajas Metalurgs, the sole producer of rebar in Latvia, and JSC Moldova Steel Works, the sole producer of rebar in Moldova. The Commission found that each of these responses was individually adequate. It further found that the respondent interested party group responses were adequate with respect to the orders on rebar from Latvia and Moldova. Because the group and individual responses from both domestic interested parties and respondent interested parties were adequate in the reviews of the orders for Latvia and Moldova, the Commission determined to conduct full reviews for those orders.

The Commission did not receive a response from any respondent interested parties in the reviews concerning subject imports from Belarus, China, Indonesia, Poland, and Ukraine, and therefore determined that the respondent interested party group responses for the reviews on rebar from these five countries was not adequate. The Commission nevertheless voted to conduct full reviews concerning subject imports from Belarus, China, Indonesia, Poland, and Ukraine in order to promote administrative efficiency in light of the Commission’s determination to conduct full reviews of the orders concerning subject imports from Latvia and Moldova.

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