

EXPLANATION OF COMMISSION DETERMINATION ON ADEQUACY

in

Clad Steel Plate From Japan
Inv. No. 731-TA-739 (Second Review)

On January 5, 2007, the Commission determined that it should proceed to an expedited review in the subject five-year review pursuant to section 751(c)(3)(B) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. § 1675(c)(3)(B).¹

The Commission determined that the domestic interested party group response to the notice of institution was adequate. The Commission received one response to the notice of institution from domestic producer Mittal Steel USA, Inc. (“Mittal”). Because Mittal represented the majority of domestic production in 2005, the Commission determined that the domestic interested party group response was adequate.

The Commission did not receive a response from any respondent interested party, and therefore determined that the respondent interested party group response to the notice of institution was inadequate. In the absence of an adequate respondent interested party group response, or any other circumstances that warranted a full review, the Commission determined to conduct an expedited review. A record of the Commissioners’ votes is available from the Office of the Secretary and the Commission’s web site (<http://www.usitc.gov>).

¹Chairman Daniel R. Pearson and Commissioner Deanna T. Okun voted to conduct a full review.