

EXPLANATION OF COMMISSION DETERMINATION ON ADEQUACY

in

Certain Aluminum Extrusions from China
Inv. Nos. 701-TA-475 and 731-TA-1177 (Review)

On July 5, 2016, the Commission determined to conduct full reviews in the subject five-year reviews pursuant to section 751(c)(3) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. §1675(c)(3).

The Commission received a response to the notice of institution from the Aluminum Extrusions Fair Trade Committee (“AEFTC”), whose individual members are nine domestic producers of certain aluminum extrusions. AEFTC’s response provided data for these nine producing members as well as for 14 other U.S. producers of certain aluminum extrusions that are not members of AEFTC. The Commission found AEFTC’s individual response to be adequate. The Commission received data from producers accounting for a substantial proportion of domestic production and therefore unanimously determined that the domestic interested party group response was adequate.

The Commission received two responses to the notice of institution from respondent interested parties, one from Adams Thermal Systems, Inc. (“Adams Thermal”), a U.S. importer of subject merchandise, and a joint response from Electrolux Home Products, Inc. and Electrolux Home Care Products, Inc., both U.S. importers of subject merchandise (collectively “Electrolux”). The Commission received no response to the notice of institution from any producers of certain aluminum extrusions in China. The Commission found the responses of Adams Thermal and Electrolux to be individually adequate.

The Commission unanimously determined, however, that the respondent interested party group response was inadequate, because it did not receive responses from respondent interested parties accounting for a substantial proportion of imports of certain aluminum extrusions from China.

Notwithstanding the inadequate respondent interested party group response, the Commission determined that other circumstances, such as the need to examine further the appropriate definition of the domestic like product, warranted a full review.¹

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

¹ Chairman Williamson and Commissioners Pinkert and Schmidlein voted to conduct expedited reviews, as they did not find any circumstances that would warrant conducting full reviews.