

and strip from Germany covering the period March 1, 1997, through February 28, 1998, since it is not practicable to complete this review within the time limits mandated by the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended.

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 7, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Magd Zalok or Gabriel Adler, AD/CVD Enforcement Group I, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20230; telephone (202) 482-4162 and 482-1442, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Applicable Statute

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the statute are references to the provisions effective January 1, 1995, the effective date of the amendments made to the Tariff Act of 1930 (the Act) by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act (URAA). In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citations to Department of Commerce (Department) regulations refer to the regulations codified at 19 CFR part 351 (April 1998).

Postponement of Preliminary Results of Review

On April 24, 1998, the Department initiated an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on brass sheet and strip from Germany, covering the period of March 1, 1997, through February 28, 1998. *See Notice of Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews and Request for Revocation in Part*, 63 FR 20378 (April 24, 1998).

Section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act requires the Department to make a preliminary determination in an administrative review within 245 days after the last day of the anniversary month of an order for which a review is requested. Per this requirement, the deadline for the preliminary results of this review would have been December 1, 1998. However, section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act provides that when it is not practicable to complete the review within the specified time period, the Department may extend this time period by 120 days. Since the Department has determined that it is not practicable to issue the preliminary results of this review by December 1, 1998, the Department is extending the time limit for issuance of these results by 120 days. *See Memorandum from Richard W. Moreland to Robert S. LaRussa*, dated December 1, 1998.

In accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act, we plan to issue

the final results of this administrative review within 120 days after publication of the preliminary results.

This extension is in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act.

Dated: December 1, 1998.

Richard W. Moreland,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Carbon Steel Wire Rope from Mexico: Extension of Time Limits for Preliminary Results of Antidumping Administrative Review

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of Extension of Time Limits For Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review.

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 7, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mark Hoadley or Maureen Flannery, AD/CVD Enforcement, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-4106 or (202) 482-3020, respectively.

The Applicable Statute

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the statute are references to the provisions effective January 1, 1995, the effective date of the amendments made to the Tariff Act of 1930 (the Act) by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act. In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Department's regulations are to the current regulations, codified at 19 CFR part 351, 62 FR 27295 (May 19, 1997).

Background

On March 31, 1998, the Department of Commerce (the Department) received requests from Aceros Camesa, S.A. de C.V. (Camesa) and from the Committee of Domestic Steel Wire Rope and Specialty Cable Manufacturers (Committee) for an antidumping duty administrative review of carbon steel wire rod from Mexico. On April 24, 1998, the Department published its initiation of this antidumping duty administrative review covering the

period of March 1, 1998 through February 28, 1998 (63 FR 20378).

Extension of Time Limits for Preliminary Results

Section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act directs the Department to make a preliminary determination within 245 days for each administrative review. The section provides, however, that "if it is not practicable to complete the review within the foregoing time, the administrative authority may extend that 245-day period to 365 days. . . ." Because of the complexities enumerated in the Memorandum from Joseph A. Spetrini to Robert S. LaRussa, Extension of Time Limit for the Preliminary Results of Review of Steel Wire Rope from Mexico, dated November XX, 1998, it is not practicable to complete this review within the 245-day time limit.

Therefore, in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act, the Department is extending the time limit for the preliminary results by 90 days to March 1, 1998.

Dated: November 24, 1998.

Joseph A. Spetrini,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for AD/CVD Enforcement III.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-301-602]

Certain Fresh Cut Flowers From Colombia: Extension of Time Limit of Antidumping Administrative Review

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce is extending the time limit for the preliminary results in the administrative review of the antidumping order on certain fresh cut flowers from Colombia, covering the period March 1, 1997, through February 28, 1998, since it is not practicable to complete the review within the time limits mandated by section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. 1675 (a)(3)(A).

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 7, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Marian Wells or Rosa Jeong, Import Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Room 3099, 14th and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC, 20230; telephone (202) 482-6309 or 482-3853, respectively.