

[Investigation 332-362]**U.S.-Africa Trade Flows and Effects of the Uruguay Round Agreements and U.S. Trade and Development Policy**

AGENCY: United States International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Notice of opportunity to submit comments in connection with the third annual report.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 25, 1997.

SUMMARY: Following receipt on March 31, 1995, of a letter from the United States Trade Representative (USTR), the Commission instituted investigation No. 332-362, U.S.-Africa Trade Flows and Effects of the Uruguay Round Agreements and U.S. Trade and Development Policy (60 FR 24884). The USTR letter requested that the Commission prepare its first annual report under this investigation not later than November 15, 1995, and provide annually thereafter for a period of 5 years. The first report was submitted on November 15, 1995 (USITC publication 2938 issued in January 1996). The second annual report was submitted on October 4, 1996 (USITC publication 3000 issued in October 1996). The third annual report will be submitted by October 31, 1997.

FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Constance A. Hamilton, Office of Economics (202-205-3263), or William Gearhart, Office of the General Counsel (202-205-3091) for information on legal aspects. The media should contact Margaret O'Laughlin, Office of External Relations (202-205-1819). Hearing impaired individuals are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the TDD terminal on (202-205-1810).

Background

Section 134 of the Uruguay Round Agreements (URAA), Pub. L. 103-465, directs the President to develop a comprehensive trade and development policy of the countries of Africa. The President is also to report to the Congress annually over the next 5 years on the steps taken to carry out that mandate. The Statement of Administrative Action that was approved by the Congress with the URAA states that the President will direct the International Trade Commission to submit within 12 months following the enactment of the URAA into law, and annually for the 5 years thereafter, a report providing (1) an analysis of U.S.-African trade flows, and (2) an assessment of any effects of the Uruguay Round Agreements, and of

U.S. trade and development policy for Africa on such trade flows.

The third annual report on U.S.-African trade flows and effects of U.S. trade and development policy will contain the following information:

(1) An update of U.S.-African trade and investment flows for the latest year available, including both overall trade and trade in the following major sectors: agriculture, forest products, textiles and apparel, footwear, energy, chemicals, minerals and metals, machinery, transportation equipment, electronics technology, miscellaneous manufactures, and services. It also requested that the basic trade flow information be provided for U.S. trade with the following regional trade groups: the Southern African Customs Union (SACU), the Southern African Development Community (SADC), Western African Economic and Monetary Union (WAEMU), and Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA).

(2) An identification of major developments in the World Trade Organization and in U.S. trade/economic activities which significantly affect U.S.-Africa trade and investment flows by sector during the last year. Similarly, to the extent possible, changing trade and economic activities within African countries that have a significant impact should be highlighted.

(3) Progress in regional integration in Africa.

As requested by the USTR, the Commission will limit its study to the 48 countries in Sub-Saharan Africa.

Written Submissions

The Commission does not plan to hold a public hearing in connection with the third annual report. However, interested persons are invited to submit written statements concerning the matters to be addressed in the report. Commercial or financial information that a party desires the Commission to treat a confidential must be submitted on separate sheets of paper, each clearly marked "Confidential Business Information" at the top. All submissions requesting confidential treatment must conform with the requirements of § 201.6 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR 201.6). All written submissions, except for confidential business information, will be made available for inspection by interested persons in the Office of the Secretary to the Commission. To be assured of consideration by the Commission, written statements relating to the Commission's report should be submitted at the earliest practical date and should be received not later than June 13, 1997. All submissions should be addressed to the Secretary, United States International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20436.

Persons with mobility impairments who will need special assistance in gaining access to the Commission should contact the Office of the Secretary at 202-205-2000.

Issued: March 27, 1997.

By order of the Commission.

Donna R. Koehnke,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**Foreign Claims Settlement Commission**

[F.C.S.C. Meeting Notice No. 5-97]

Sunshine Act Meeting

The Foreign Claims Settlement Commission, pursuant to its regulations (45 CFR Part 504) and the Government in the Sunshine Act (5 U.S.C. 552b), hereby gives notice in regard to the scheduling of meetings and oral hearings for the transaction of Commission business and other matters specified, as follows:

Date and Time: Tuesday, April 15, 1997, 9:00 a.m.

Subject Matter: 1. Hearings on the record on objections to Proposed Decisions in the following claims against Albania:

ALB-005—Mile M. Kasem
 ALB-010—Peter Panos
 ALB-017—Afron Cheli, et al.
 ALB-019—Vassil Tamburi
 ALB-032, ALB-034, ALB-035, and
 ALB-043—Cleopatra Karselas,
 Eftalia Maliou, George Karselas, and
 Olga Dntule
 ALB-037—Jani M. Papa, et al.
 ALB-042—Xhani Femera, et al.
 ALB-054—Dude Prifti
 ALB-092—Thanas A. Laske
 ALB-094—Sulejman Lelo
 ALB-112—Demirhan Bace
 ALB-113—Katerina Berberi
 ALB-115—Theodhora Delle
 ALB-118, ALB-139—Evdhoksi Tollko,
 Sotiraq Pani
 ALB-119, ALB-161—Aleksandra Filipi,
 Anesti Filipi, et al.
 ALB-122—Vaios Karagiannis
 ALB-123—Thomas S. Kalyvas
 ALB-124—Elias Kalyvas
 ALB-141—Mitre Sofroni
 ALB-150—Sotiraq Qano
 ALB-151—Ismet Rusi
 ALB-157—Victoria Gallani
 ALB-173—Marigo Tellios, et al.
 ALB-179—Thanas Dudo
 ALB-187—Helena Liolin
 ALB-238—Edward Mehmet
 ALB-268—Philip Stevens, et al.

ALB-289—Aleksandra Pepo
ALB-304—Perikli Papa
ALB-307—Odise Lakuriqi, et al.

2. Oral hearings on objections to Proposed Decisions in the following claims against Albania:

9:30 a.m. ALB-178—Hariklia Zoto, et al.
10:00 a.m. ALB-064—Fejzi Domni
10:30 a.m. ALB-093—Jorgo Stoli
11:00 a.m. ALB-117—James Elias
11:30 a.m. ALB-146—Constance Zotos, et al.
12:00 p.m. ALB-247—Stephen Pantos
12:30 p.m. ALB-167—Peter Panajoti

Status: Open.

Subject matter not disposed of at the scheduled meeting may be carried over to the agenda of the following meeting.

All meetings are held at the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission, 600 E Street, N.W., Washington, DC. Requests for information, or advance notices of intention to observe an open meeting, may be directed to: Administrative Officer, Foreign Claims Settlement Commission, 600 E Street, NW., Room 6029, Washington, DC 20579. Telephone: (202) 616-6988.

Dated at Washington, DC, March 28, 1997.

David E. Bradley,

Chief Counsel.

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NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[Notice 97-037]

NASA Advisory Council, Life and Microgravity Sciences and Applications Advisory Committee, Life and Biomedical Sciences and Applications Advisory Subcommittee; Meeting

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, as amended, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration announces a meeting of the NASA Advisory Council, Life and Microgravity Sciences and Applications Advisory Committee, Life and Biomedical Sciences and Applications Advisory Subcommittee Meeting.

DATES: May 12, 1997, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: National Aeronautics and Space Administration Headquarters, 300 E Street, SW, MIC 7 A, Washington, DC 20546.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Dr. Frank M. Sulzman, Code UL, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Washington, DC 20546, 202/358-0220.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting will be closed to the public from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 522b(c)(6), to allow for discussion on Committee membership. The remainder of the meeting will be open to the public up to the seating capacity of the room. The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- Update: Office of Life & Microgravity Sciences and Applications, Life Sciences Division
- NRC Radiation Report
- Evolutionary Biology
- Closed Session on Membership
- Discussion of Committee Findings and Recommendations
- Subcommittee Report Review

It is imperative that the meeting be held on this date to accommodate the scheduling priorities of the key participants. Visitors will be requested to sign a visitor's register.

Dated: March 26, 1997.

Leslie M. Nolan,

Advisory Committee Management Officer, National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

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[Notice 97-036]

Notice of Proposed Patent License

AGENCY: National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

ACTION: Notice of prospective patent license.

SUMMARY: NASA hereby gives notice that Link Manufacturing, Inc., of Sioux Center, Iowa 51250, has applied for an exclusive patent license to practice the invention described and claimed in U.S. Patent No. 5,464,301, entitled "Rotary Latch," which is assigned to the United States of America as represented by the Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Written objections to the prospective grant of a license should be sent to Johnson Space Center.

DATES: Responses to this notice must be received by June 2, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Hardie R. Barr, Patent Attorney, Johnson Space Center, Mail Code HA, Houston, TX 77058-3696, telephone (281) 483-1003.

Dated: March 27, 1997.

Edward A. Frankle,

General Counsel.

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NATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

National Endowment for the Arts; Proposed Collection; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The National Endowment for the Arts, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA95) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(A)). This program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirements on respondents can be properly assessed. Currently, the National Endowment for the Arts is soliciting comments concerning the proposed information collection of: Blanket Justification for the National Endowment for the Arts Panelist Profile Form. A copy of the current information collection request can be obtained by contacting the office listed below in the addressee section of this notice.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the addressee section below on or before June 2, 1997. The National Endowment for the Arts is particularly interested in comments which:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; evaluate the accuracy of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility.
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information including the validity of the methodology used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the