further information concerning the conduct of this review and rules of general application, consult the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, part 201, subparts A through E (19 CFR part 201), and part 207, subparts A, D, E, and F (19 CFR part 207). Recent amendments to the Rules of Practice and Procedure pertinent to five-year reviews, including the text of subpart F of part 207, are published at 63 FR 30599, June 5, 1998, and may be downloaded from the Commission's World Wide Web site at http://www.usitc.gov/rules.htm.

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 4, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bonnie Noreen (202-205-3167), Office of Investigations, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20436. Hearingimpaired persons can obtain information on this matter by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal on 202-205–1810. 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. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its internet server (http:// www.usitc.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background.—On February 4, 1999, the Commission determined that the domestic interested party group response to its notice of institution (63 FR 58761, Nov. 2, 1998) of the subject five-year review was adequate and that the respondent interested party group response was inadequate. The Commission did not find any other circumstances that would warrant conducting a full review. Accordingly, the Commission determined that it would conduct an expedited review pursuant to section 751(c)(3) of the Act.

Staff report.—A staff report containing information concerning the subject matter of the review will be placed in the nonpublic record on March 4, 1999, and made available to persons on the Administrative Protective Order service list for this review. A public version will be issued thereafter, pursuant to section 207.62(d)(4) of the Commission's rules.

Written submissions.—As provided in section 207.62(d) of the Commission's rules, interested parties that are parties to the review and that have provided individually adequate responses to the

notice of institution,<sup>2</sup> and any party other than an interested party to the review may file written comments with the Secretary on what determination the Commission should reach in the review. Comments are due on or before March 9, 1999, and may not contain new factual information. Any person that is neither a party to the five-year review nor an interested party may submit a brief written statement (which shall not contain any new factual information) pertinent to the review by March 9, 1999. If comments contain business proprietary information (BPI), they must conform with the requirements of sections 201.6, 207.3, and 207.7 of the Commission's rules. The Commission's rules do not authorize filing of submissions with the Secretary by facsimile or electronic means.

In accordance with sections 201.16(c) and 207.3 of the rules, each document filed by a party to the review must be served on all other parties to the review (as identified by either the public or BPI service list), and a certificate of service must be timely filed. The Secretary will not accept a document for filing without a certificate of service.

Determination.—The Commission has determined to exercise its authority to extend the review period by up to 90 days pursuant to 19 U.S.C. § 1675(c)(5)(B).

**Authority:** This review is being conducted under authority of title VII of the Tariff Act of 1930; this notice is published pursuant to section 207.62 of the Commission's rules.

By order of the Commission. Issued: February 18, 1999.

### Donna R. Koehnke,

Secretary.

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# INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Invs. Nos. 701–TA–387–392 (Preliminary) & 731–TA–815–822 (Preliminary)]

Certain Cut-To-Length Steel Plate From the Czech Republic, France, India, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, Korea, and Macedonia

**AGENCY:** United States International Trade Commission.

**ACTION:** Institution of countervailing duty and antidumping investigations

and scheduling of preliminary phase investigations.

**SUMMARY:** The Commission hereby gives notice of the institution of investigations and commencement of preliminary phase countervailing duty investigations Nos. 701–TA–387–392 (Preliminary) and antidumping investigations Nos. 731-TA-815-822 (Preliminary) under sections 703(a) and 733(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. § 1671b(a) and 19 U.S.C. § 1673b(a)) (the Act) to determine whether there is a reasonable indication that an industry in the United States is materially injured or threatened with material injury, or the establishment of an industry in the United States is materially retarded, by reason of imports from France, India, Indonesia, Italy, Korea, and Macedonia of certain cut-to-length steel plate that are alleged to be subsidized by the Governments of the respective countries, and imports from the Czech Republic, France, India, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, Korea, and Macedonia of certain cut-to-length steel plate that are alleged to be sold in the United States at less than fair value.1 Unless the Department of Commerce extends the time for initiation pursuant to section 702(c)(1)(B) or 732(c)(1)(B) of the Act (19 U.S.C. § 1671a(c)(1)(B) or 19 U.S.C.  $\S$  1673a(c)(1)(B)), the Commission must reach a preliminary determination in these investigations in 45 days, or in this case by April 2, 1999. The Commission's views are due at the Department of Commerce within five business days thereafter, or by April 9, 1999.

For further information concerning the conduct of these investigations and rules of general application, consult the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, part 201, subparts A through E (19 CFR part 201), and part 207, subparts A and B (19 CFR part 207).

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** February 16, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Douglas Corkran (202–205–3177), Office of Investigations, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20436. Hearing-impaired persons can obtain information on this matter by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal on 202–205–1810. 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. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A record of the Commissioners' votes, the Commission's statement on adequacy, and any individual Commissioner's statements will be available from the Office of the Secretary and at the Commission's web site.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The Commission has found the responses submitted by ASHTA Chemicals, Inc.; HoltraChem Manufacturing Co., L.L.C.; Niklor Chemical Co., Inc.; and Trinity Manufacturing, Inc. to be individually adequate. Comments from other interested parties will not be accepted (see 19 CFR 207.62(d)(2)).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Such imports are provided for in headings 7207, 7208, 7210, 7211, 7212, 7224, 7225, and 7226 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States.

accessing its internet server (http://www.usitc.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background.—These investigations are being instituted in response to a petition filed on February 16, 1999, by Bethlehem Steel Corp. (Bethlehem, PA); U.S. Steel Group, a unit of USX Corp. (Pittsburgh, PA); Gulf States Steel, Inc. (Gadsden, AL); IPSCO Steel Inc. (Muscatine, IA); Tuscaloosa Steel Co.<sup>2</sup> (Tuscaloosa, AL); and the United Steelworkers of America (Pittsburgh, PA).

Participation in the investigation and public service list.—Persons (other than petitioners) wishing to participate in the investigation as parties must file an entry of appearance with the Secretary to the Commission, as provided in sections 201.11 and 207.10 of the Commission's rules, not later than seven days after publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. Industrial users and (if the merchandise under investigation is sold at the retail level) representative consumer organizations have the right to appear as parties in Commission antidumping investigations. The Secretary will prepare a public service list containing the names and addresses of all persons, or their representatives, who are parties to these investigations upon the expiration of the period for filing entries of appearance.

Limited disclosure of business proprietary information (BPI) under an administrative protective order (APO) and BPI service list.—Pursuant to section 207.7(a) of the Commission's rules, the Secretary will make BPI gathered in these investigations available to authorized applicants representing interested parties (as defined in 19 U.S.C. § 1677(9)) who are parties to the investigation under the APO issued in the investigation, provided that the application is made not later than seven days after the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**. A separate service list will be maintained by the Secretary for those parties authorized to receive BPI under the APO.

Conference.—The Commission's Director of Operations has scheduled a conference in connection with these investigations for 9:30 a.m. on March 9, 1999, at the U.S. International Trade Commission Building, 500 E Street SW., Washington, DC. Parties wishing to participate in the conference should contact Douglas Corkran (202–205–3177) not later than March 5, 1999, to

arrange for their appearance. Parties in support of the imposition of countervailing and/or antidumping duties in these investigations and parties in opposition to the imposition of such duties will each be collectively allocated one hour within which to make an oral presentation at the conference. A nonparty who has testimony that may aid the Commission's deliberations may request permission to present a short statement at the conference.

Written submissions.—As provided in sections 201.8 and 207.15 of the Commission's rules, any person may submit to the Commission on or before March 12, 1999, a written brief containing information and arguments pertinent to the subject matter of the investigation. Parties may file written testimony in connection with their presentation at the conference no later than three days before the conference. If briefs or written testimony contain BPI, they must conform with the requirements of sections 201.6, 207.3, and 207.7 of the Commission's rules. The Commission's rules do not authorize filing of submissions with the Secretary by facsimile or electronic

In accordance with sections 201.16(c) and 207.3 of the rules, each document filed by a party to the investigation must be served on all other parties to the investigation (as identified by either the public or BPI service list), and a certificate of service must be timely filed. The Secretary will not accept a document for filing without a certificate of service.

**Authority:** These investigations are being conducted under authority of title VII of the Tariff Act of 1930; this notice is published pursuant to section 207.12 of the Commission's rules.

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#### Donna R. Koehnke,

Secretary.

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## INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation No. 731-TA-101 (Review)]

### Greige Polyester Cotton Printcloth From China

**AGENCY:** United States International Trade Commission.

**ACTION:** Scheduling of an expedited fiveyear review concerning the antidumping duty order on greige polyester cotton printcloth from China.

**SUMMARY:** The Commission hereby gives notice of the scheduling of an expedited review pursuant to section 751(c)(3) of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. § 1675(c)(3)) (the Act) to determine whether revocation of the antidumping duty order on greige polyester cotton printcloth from China would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of material injury within a reasonably foreseeable time. For further information concerning the conduct of this review and rules of general application, consult the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, part 201, subparts A through E (19 CFR part 201), and part 207, subparts A, D, E, and F (19 CFR part 207). Recent amendments to the Rules of Practice and Procedure pertinent to five-year reviews, including the text of subpart F of part 207, are published at 63 FR 30599, June 5, 1998, and may be downloaded from the Commission's World Wide Web site at http:// www.usitc.gov/rules.htm.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** February 4, 1999. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bonnie Noreen (202-205-3167), Office of Investigations, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20436. Hearingimpaired persons can obtain information on this matter by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal on 202-205–1810. 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. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its internet server (http:// www.usitc.gov).

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background.—On February 4, 1999, the Commission determined that the domestic interested party group response to its notice of institution (63 FR 58763, Nov. 2, 1998) of the subject five-year review was adequate and that the respondent interested party group response was inadequate. The Commission did not find any other circumstances that would warrant conducting a full review. Accordingly, the Commission determined that it would conduct an expedited review pursuant to section 751(c)(3) of the Act. Accordingly the Commission determined that it

Staff report.—A staff report containing information concerning the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Tuscaloosa Steel Co. is not a petitioner with respect to the investigations on the Czech Republic, France, and Italy.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>scriptscriptstyle 1}\mbox{\sc Vice}$  Chairman Miller not participating.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> A record of the Commissioners' votes, the Commission's statement on adequacy, and any individual Commissioner's statements will be available from the Office of the Secretary and at the Commission's web site.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Vice Chairman Miller not participating and Commissioner Koplan dissenting.