

**3. Notification Process**

Organizations selected to participate in the CIC Program will be notified in writing by August 31, 2000. The Census Bureau Program Office administering the program will advise organizations whose proposals are declined as promptly as possible.

**4. New Participant Information**

New participants will be invited to attend a Census Bureau sponsored orientation and training conference tentatively scheduled for September 27–29, 2000.

**Paperwork Reduction Act**

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no person is required to respond to, nor shall a person be subject to, the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act unless that collection of information displays a current valid OMB Control Number. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the Bureau of Census Desk Officer, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs,

Office of Management and Budget, Washington, D.C. 20503.

Dated: April 20, 2000.

**Kenneth Prewitt,**

*Director, Bureau of the Census.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**International Trade Administration**

**Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of initiation of antidumping and countervailing duty administrative reviews.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce has received requests to conduct administrative reviews of various antidumping and countervailing duty orders and findings with March anniversary dates. In accordance with

the Department's regulations, we are initiating those administrative reviews.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** May 1, 2000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Background**

The Department has received timely requests, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(b) (1997), for administrative reviews of various antidumping and countervailing duty orders and findings with March anniversary dates.

**Initiation of Reviews**

In accordance with section 19 CFR 351.221(c)(1)(i), we are initiating administrative reviews of the following antidumping and countervailing duty orders and findings. We intend to issue the final results of these reviews not later than March 31, 2001.

	Period to be reviewed
<b>Antidumping duty proceedings</b>	
Canada: Iron Construction Castings, A–122–503 .....	3/1/99–2/29/00
Bibby-Ste. Croix	
Laperle Foundry	
Mexico: Steel Wire Rope, A–201–806 .....	3/1/99–12/31/99
Aceros Camesa, S.A. de C.V.	
Cablesa, S.A. de C.V.	
Thailand: Certain Welded Carbon Steel Pipes and Tubes, A–549–502 .....	3/1/99–2/29/00
Saha Thai Steel Pipe Company, Ltd.	
<b>Countervailing Duty Proceedings</b>	
Pakistan: Shop Towels, C–535–001 .....	1/1/99–12/31/99
M/s. Mehtabi Towel Mills (Pvt.) Ltd. Karachi	
M/s. Aqil Textile Industries, Karachi	
M/s. Quality Linen Supply Corp., Karachi	
M/s. Shahi Textiles, Karachi	
M/s. Jawwad Industries, Karachi	
M/s. Silver Textile Factory, Karachi	
M/s. Fine Fabrico, Karachi	
M/s. United Towel Exporters, Karachi	
M/s. R.I. Weaving, Karachi	
M/s. Universal Linen, Karachi	
M/s. Ejaz Linen, Karachi	
M/s. Ahmed & Co., Karachi	
<b>Suspension Agreements</b>	
None.	

During any administrative review covering all or part of a period falling between the first and second or third and fourth anniversary of the publication of an antidumping duty order under section 351.211 or a determination under section 351.218(d) (sunset review), the Secretary, if requested by a domestic interested party

within 30 days of the date of publication of the notice of initiation of the review, will determine whether antidumping duties have been absorbed by an exporter or producer subject to the review if the subject merchandise is sold in the United States through an importer that is affiliated with such exporter or producer. The request must

include the name(s) of the exporter or producer for which the inquiry is requested.

For transition orders defined in section 751(c)(6) of the Act, the Secretary will apply paragraph (j)(1) of this section to any administrative review initiated in 1998 (19 CFR 351.213(j)(1–2)).

Interested parties must submit applications for disclosure under administrative protective orders in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305.

These initiations and this notice are in accordance with section 751(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930 amended (19 U.S.C. 1675(a)), and 19 CFR 351.221(c)(1)(i).

Dated: April 24, 2000.

**Holly A. Kuga,**

*Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary, Group II for Import Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

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### Continuation of Antidumping Duty Orders and Countervailing Duty Orders: Brass Sheet and Strip From Brazil, Canada, France, Italy, Germany, and Japan

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

**ACTION:** Notice of continuation of antidumping duty orders and countervailing duty orders: Brass sheet and strip from Brazil, Canada, France, Italy, Germany, and Japan.

**SUMMARY:** On September 3, 1999 (with respect to Brazil, France, and Italy), on September 14, 1999 (with respect to Germany and Japan), and on November 11, 1999 (with respect to Canada), the Department of Commerce ("the Department"), pursuant to sections 751(c) and 752 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended ("the Act"), determined that revocation of the antidumping duty orders on brass sheet and strip from Brazil, France, Italy, Germany, Japan, and Canada, and the countervailing duty orders on brass sheet and strip from Brazil and France, would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping or a countervailable subsidy (64 FR 48351, 48351, 48348, 49767, 49765, 66165, 48367, 48369, respectively). On April 18, 2000, the International Trade Commission ("the Commission"), pursuant to section 751(c) of the Act, determined that revocation of these antidumping and countervailing duty orders on brass sheet and strip would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of material injury to an industry in the United States within a reasonably foreseeable time (65 FR 5369). Therefore, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.218(f)(4), the Department

is publishing notice of the continuation of antidumping duty orders on brass sheet and strip from Brazil, France, Italy, Germany, Japan, and Canada, and the countervailing duty orders on brass sheet and strip from Brazil and France.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** May 1, 2000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Eun W. Cho or Carole Showers, Office of Policy for Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-1698 or (202) 482-3217, respectively.

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Background

On February 1, 1999, the Department initiated, and the Commission instituted, sunset reviews (64 FR 4840 and 64 FR 4892, respectively) of the antidumping duty orders on brass sheet and strip from Brazil, France, Italy, Germany, Japan, and Canada, and the countervailing duty orders on brass sheet and strip from Brazil and France, pursuant to section 751(c) of the Act. As a result of its reviews, the Department found that revocation of the antidumping duty orders would likely lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping and notified the Commission of the magnitude of the margins likely to prevail were the orders to be revoked.<sup>1</sup> In addition, the Department determined that revocation of the countervailing duty orders would likely lead to continuation or recurrence of countervailable subsidies and notified the Commission of the net countervailable subsidies likely to prevail were the order revoked.<sup>2</sup>

On April 18, 2000, the Commission determined, pursuant to section 751(c) of the Act, that revocation of the antidumping duty orders on brass sheet and strip from Brazil, France, Italy, Germany, Japan, and Canada, and the countervailing duty orders on brass sheet and strip from Brazil and France, would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of material injury to an industry in the United States within a

<sup>1</sup> See Final Results of Expedited Sunset Reviews: Brass Sheet and Strip from Brazil, France, and Korea, 64 FR 48351 (September 3, 1999); Final Results of Expedited Sunset Review: Brass Sheet and Strip from Italy, 64 FR 48348 (September 3, 1999); Final Results of Expedited Sunset Review: Brass Sheet and Strip from Germany, 64 FR 49767 (September 14, 1999); and Final Results of Full Sunset Review: Brass Sheet and Strip From Canada, 64 FR 66165 (November 24, 1999).

<sup>2</sup> See Final Results of Expedited Sunset Review: Brass Sheet and Strip from Brazil, 64 FR 48367 (September 3, 1999); Final Results of Expedited Sunset Review: Brass Sheet and Strip from France, 64 FR 48369 (September 3, 1999).

reasonably foreseeable time (*see*, Brass Sheet and Strip from Brazil, Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Korea, the Netherlands, and Sweden, 65 FR 20832 (April 18, 2000) and USITC Publication 3290, Investigations Nos. 701-TA-269 & 270 (Review), and 731-TA-311-317 and 379-380 (Review) (April 2000)).

### Scope

The merchandise subject to this order is brass sheet and strip, other than leaded and tinned, from Brazil, France, Italy, Germany, Japan, and Canada. The chemical composition of the subject merchandise is defined in the Copper Development Association ("C.D.A.") 200 Series or the Unified Numbering System ("U.N.S.") C2000 Series. This order does not cover products the chemical compositions of which are defined by other C.D.A. or U.N.S. series. In physical dimensions, the products covered by this order have a solid rectangular cross section over 0.006 inches (0.15 millimeters) through 0.188 inches (4.8 millimeters) in finished thickness or gauge, regardless of width. Coiled, wound-on-reels (transverse wound), and cut-to-length products are included. The merchandise is currently classified under Harmonized Tariff Schedule ("HTS") item numbers 7409.21.00.50, 7409.21.00.75, 7409.21.00.90, 7409.29.00.50, 7409.29.00.75, and 7409.29.00.90.

Although the HTS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, our written description of the scope of these proceedings remains dispositive.

### Determination

As a result of the determinations by the Department and the Commission that revocation of these antidumping duty orders and countervailing duty orders would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping or a countervailable subsidy and material injury to an industry in the United States, pursuant to section 751(d)(2) of the Act, the Department hereby orders the continuation of the antidumping duty orders on brass sheet and strip from Brazil, France, Italy, Germany, Japan, and Canada, and of the countervailing duty orders on brass sheet and strip from Brazil and France. The Department will instruct the U.S. Customs Service to continue to collect antidumping and countervailing duty deposits at the rates in effect at the time of entry for all imports of subject merchandise. The effective date of continuation of these orders will be the date of publication in the **Federal Register** of this Notice of Continuation.