

COGS used as the denominator in the financial expense ratio to exclude packing and further processing costs. See *Comment 24*.

Final Results of Review

We determine that the following percentage margin exists for the period July 1, 2001 through June 30, 2002:

STAINLESS STEEL SHEET AND STRIP IN COILS FROM TAIWAN

Manufacturer/exporter/reseller	Margin (percent)
YUSCO	1.96
Chia Far	0.98
Tung Mung	21.10

The Department will determine, and Customs shall assess, antidumping duties on all appropriate entries. In accordance with section 351.212(b)(1) of the Department's regulations, we have calculated an exporter/importer (or customer)-specific assessment rate for merchandise subject to this review. The Department will issue appropriate assessment instructions directly to Customs within 15 days of publication of these final results of review. We will direct Customs to assess the resulting assessment rates against the entered customs' values for the subject merchandise on each of the importer's/customer's entries during the review period. For duty-assessment purposes, we have calculated importer-specific assessment rates by dividing the dumping margins calculated for each importer by the total entered value of sales for each importer during the period of review.

Cash Deposit Requirements

The following deposit requirements will be effective upon publication of this notice of final results of administrative review for all shipments of stainless steel sheet and strip in coils from Taiwan entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication, as provided by section 751(a)(1) of the Act: (1) The cash deposit rates for YUSCO, Chia Far and Tung Mung will be the rates shown above; (2) for previously reviewed or investigated companies not listed above, the cash deposit rate will continue to be the company-specific rate published for the most recent period; (3) if the exporter is not a firm covered in this review, a prior review, or the original less-than-fair-value (LTFV) investigation, but the manufacturer is, the cash deposit rate will be the rate established for the most recent period for the manufacturer of the

merchandise; and (4) if neither the exporter nor the manufacturer is a firm covered in these or any previous reviews conducted by the Department, the cash deposit rate will be the "all others" rate, which is 12.12 percent.

These deposit requirements shall remain in effect until publication of the final results of the next administrative review.

Notification of Interested Parties

This notice also serves as a final reminder to importers of their responsibility under section 351.402(f)(2) of the Department's regulations to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of antidumping duties or countervailing duties prior to liquidation of the relevant entries during this review period. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in the Secretary's presumption that reimbursement of the antidumping duties or countervailing duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of double antidumping duties or countervailing duties.

This notice also serves as a reminder to parties subject to administrative protective orders ("APOs") of their responsibility concerning the return or destruction of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with section 351.305 of the Department's regulations, which continues to govern business proprietary information in this segment of the proceeding. Timely written notification of the return/destruction of APO materials or conversion to judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and terms of an APO is a violation which is subject to sanction.

We are issuing and publishing this determination and notice in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 771(i) of the Act.

Dated: February 2, 2004.

James J. Jochum,
Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

Appendix I—Issues In The Decision Memorandum

A. Issues With Respect to Tung Mung and Ta Chen

Comment 1: Rescission of Review for Ta Chen
Comment 2: Adverse Facts Available ("AFA") for Tung Mung

B. Issues With Respect to YUSCO

Comment 3: Affiliation with Yieh Loong Enterprise Company Ltd. ("Yieh Loong") and China Steel Corporation ("CSC")
Comment 4: Classification of Home Market Sales

Comment 5: Affiliated Parties in the Home Market
Comment 6: Returned Sales
Comment 7: Affiliation and Collapsing with a Certain Downstream Further Manufacturer
Comment 8: Freight Expense Reported by Affiliated Parties in the Home Market
Comment 9: Cost Reconciliation
Comment 10: Exchange Rate Gains and Losses for Cost of Production ("COP") and Constructed Value ("CV")
Comment 11: Total AFA for YUSCO

C. Issues With Respect to Chia Far

Comment 12: Chia Far's Home Market Affiliated Parties
Comment 13: Home Market Date of Sale
Comment 14: Incompleteness of Home Market Database
Comment 15: Classification of Non-Prime Merchandise
Comment 16: Calculation of Early Payment Discounts for Home Market
Comment 17: Foreign Inland Freight in Taiwan for U.S. Sales
Comment 18: Inventory Carrying Costs ("ICC") Incurred in Taiwan for U.S. Sales
Comment 19: Export Losses for U.S. Sales
Comment 20: Treatment of Shut-Down Costs
Comment 21: Calculation of Fully Yielded Cost
Comment 22: Treatment of Certain Expenses Under the Generally Accounting Principles ("GAAP") in Taiwan
Comment 23: Calculation of Per-Unit General and Administrative ("G&A") Expense Ratio
Comment 24: Understatement of Financial Expenses in the COP/CV Response
Comment 25: Total AFA for Chia Far

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[C-351-833]

Carbon and Certain Alloy Steel Wire Rod from Brazil: Notice of Rescission of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review

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

ACTION: Notice of Rescission of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review.

SUMMARY: In response to a request made on October 31, 2003, by Companhia Siderurgica Belgo Mineira, Belgo Mineira Participacoes Industria e Comercio S.A., and BMP Siderurgica S.A., Brazilian producers/exporters of carbon and certain alloy steel wire rod, the Department of Commerce initiated an administrative review of the countervailing duty order on carbon and certain alloy steel wire rod from Brazil, covering the period August 30, 2002

through December 31, 2002. *See Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 68 FR 66799 (November 28, 2003). As a result of a timely withdrawal of the request for review by Companhia Siderurgica Belgo Mineira, Belgo Mineira Participacoes Industria e Comercio S.A., and BMP Siderurgica S.A., we are rescinding this review.

EFFECTIVE DATE: February 9, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Melani Miller, AD/CVD Enforcement, Group I, Office 1, Import Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone (202) 482-0116.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On October 22, 2002, the Department of Commerce ("the Department") published a countervailing duty order on carbon and certain alloy steel wire rod ("subject merchandise" or "wire rod") from Brazil. *See Notice of Countervailing Duty Orders: Carbon and Certain Alloy Steel Wire Rod from Brazil and Canada*, 67 FR 64871 (October 22, 2002). On October 31, 2003, Companhia Siderurgica Belgo Mineira, Belgo Mineira Participacoes Industria e Comercio S.A., and BMP Siderurgica S.A. (collectively, "Belgo Mineira"), Brazilian producers/exporters of wire rod, requested an administrative review of the countervailing duty order on wire rod from Brazil covering the period August 30, 2002 through December 31, 2002. In accordance with 19 CFR 351.221(c)(1)(i), we published a notice of initiation of the review on November 28, 2003. *See Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews*, 68 FR 66799 (November 28, 2003). On January 29, 2004, Belgo Mineira withdrew its request for review.

Scope of Review

Imports covered by this review are certain hot-rolled products of carbon steel and alloy steel, in coils, of approximately round cross section, 5.00 mm or more, but less than 19.00 mm, in solid cross-sectional diameter.

Specifically excluded are steel products possessing the above-noted physical characteristics and meeting the *Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States* ("HTSUS") definitions for (a) stainless steel; (b) tool steel; (c) high nickel steel; (d) ball bearing steel; and (e) concrete reinforcing bars and rods. Also excluded are (f) free machining steel products (*i.e.*, products that contain by weight one or more of the following elements: 0.03 percent or

more of lead, 0.05 percent or more of bismuth, 0.08 percent or more of sulfur, more than 0.04 percent of phosphorus, more than 0.05 percent of selenium, or more than 0.01 percent of tellurium).

Also excluded from the scope are 1080 grade tire cord quality wire rod and 1080 grade tire bead quality wire rod. This grade 1080 tire cord quality rod is defined as: (i) grade 1080 tire cord quality wire rod measuring 5.0 mm or more but not more than 6.0 mm in cross-sectional diameter; (ii) with an average partial decarburization of no more than 70 microns in depth (maximum individual 200 microns); (iii) "having no non-deformable inclusions greater than 20 microns and no deformable inclusions greater than 35 microns; (iv) having a carbon segregation per heat average of 3.0 or better using European Method NFA 04-114; (v) having a surface quality with no surface defects of a length greater than 0.15 mm; (vi) capable of being drawn to a diameter of 0.30 mm or less with 3 or fewer breaks per ton, and (vii) containing by weight the following elements in the proportions shown: (1) 0.78 percent or more of carbon, (2) less than 0.01 percent of aluminum, (3) 0.040 percent or less, in the aggregate, of phosphorus and sulfur, (4) 0.006 percent or less of nitrogen, and (5) not more than 0.15 percent, in the aggregate, of copper, nickel and chromium.

This grade 1080 tire bead quality rod is defined as: (i) grade 1080 tire bead quality wire rod measuring 5.5 mm or more but not more than 7.0 mm in cross-sectional diameter; (ii) with an average partial decarburization of no more than 70 microns in depth (maximum individual 200 microns); (iii) "having no non-deformable inclusions greater than 20 microns and no deformable inclusions greater than 35 microns; (iv) having a carbon segregation per heat average of 3.0 or better using European Method NFA 04-114; (v) having a surface quality with no surface defects of a length greater than 0.2 mm; (vi) capable of being drawn to a diameter of 0.78 mm or larger with 0.5 or fewer breaks per ton; and (vii) containing by weight the following elements in the proportions shown: (1) 0.78 percent or more of carbon, (2) less than 0.01 percent of soluble aluminum, (3) 0.040 percent or less, in the aggregate, of phosphorus and sulfur, (4) 0.008 percent or less of nitrogen, and (5) either not more than 0.15 percent, in the aggregate, of copper, nickel and chromium (if chromium is not specified), or not more than 0.10 percent in the aggregate of copper and nickel and a chromium content of 0.24 to 0.30 percent (if chromium is specified).

For purposes of the grade 1080 tire cord quality wire rod and the grade 1080 tire bead quality wire rod, an inclusion will be considered to be deformable if its ratio of length (measured along the axis - that is, the direction of rolling - of the rod) over thickness (measured on the same inclusion in a direction perpendicular to the axis of the rod) is equal to or greater than three. The size of an inclusion for purposes of the 20 microns and 35 microns limitations is the measurement of the largest dimension observed on a longitudinal section measured in a direction perpendicular to the axis of the rod. This measurement methodology applies only to inclusions on certain grade 1080 tire cord quality wire rod and certain grade 1080 tire bead quality wire rod that are entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after July 24, 2003.

The designation of the products as "tire cord quality" or "tire bead quality" indicates the acceptability of the product for use in the production of tire cord, tire bead, or wire for use in other rubber reinforcement applications such as hose wire. These quality designations are presumed to indicate that these products are being used in tire cord, tire bead, and other rubber reinforcement applications, and such merchandise intended for the tire cord, tire bead, or other rubber reinforcement applications is not included in the scope. However, should petitioners or other interested parties provide a reasonable basis to believe or suspect that there exists a pattern of importation of such products for other than those applications, end-use certification for the importation of such products may be required. Under such circumstances, only the importers of record would normally be required to certify the end use of the imported merchandise.

All products meeting the physical description of subject merchandise that are not specifically excluded are included in this scope.

The products under review are currently classifiable under subheadings 7213.91.3010, 7213.91.3090, 7213.91.4510, 7213.91.4590, 7213.91.6010, 7213.91.6090, 7213.99.0031, 7213.99.0038, 7213.99.0090, 7227.20.0010, 7227.20.0020, 7227.20.0090, 7227.20.0095, 7227.90.6051, 7227.90.6053, 7227.90.6058, and 7227.90.6059 of the HTSUS. Although the HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written description of the scope is dispositive.

Rescission of Review

The Department's regulations at 19 CFR 351.213(d)(1) provide that the Department will rescind an administrative review if a party that requested a review withdraws the request within 90 days of the date of publication of the notice of initiation of the requested review. Belgo Mineira withdrew its request for an administrative review on January 29, 2004, which is within the 90-day deadline. No other party requested a review of Belgo Mineira's sales. Therefore, the Department is rescinding this administrative review.

This notice also serves as a reminder to parties subject to administrative protective order ("APO") of their responsibility concerning the disposition of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305(a)(3). Timely written notification of the return or destruction of APO materials or conversion to judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and the terms of an APO is a sanctionable violation.

This notice is issued and published in accordance with 19 CFR 351.213(d)(4).

Dated: February 3, 2004.

Jeffrey May,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 011504A]

Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of affirmative finding renewal.

SUMMARY: The Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NMFS, (Assistant Administrator) renewed the affirmative finding for the Government of Mexico under the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA). This affirmative finding renewal will allow yellowfin tuna harvested in the eastern tropical Pacific Ocean (ETP) in compliance with the International Dolphin Conservation Program (IDCP) by Mexican-flag purse seine vessels or purse seine vessels operating under Mexican jurisdiction to

continue to be imported into the United States. The affirmative finding renewal was based on review of documentary evidence submitted by the Government of Mexico and obtained from the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC) and the Department of State.

DATES: Effective April 1, 2003, through March 31, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Regional Administrator, Southwest Region, NMFS, 501 West Ocean Boulevard, Suite 4200, Long Beach, California, 90802-4213; Phone 562-980-4000; Fax 562-980-4018.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The MMPA, 16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*, as amended by the International Dolphin Conservation Program Act (IDCPA) (Public Law 105-42), allows the entry into the United States of yellowfin tuna harvested by purse seine vessels in the ETP under certain conditions. If requested by the harvesting nation, the Assistant Administrator will determine whether to make an affirmative finding based upon documentary evidence provided by the government of the harvesting nation, the IATTC, or the Department of State. A finding will remain valid for 1 year (April 1 through March 31) or for such other period as the Assistant Administrator may determine. An affirmative finding applies to yellowfin tuna and tuna products that were harvested in the ETP by purse seine vessels under the jurisdiction of the nation after March 3, 1999, the effective date of the IDCPA.

The affirmative finding process requires that the harvesting nation meet several conditions related to compliance with the IDCP. Every 5 years, the government of the harvesting nation must request an affirmative finding and submit the required documentary evidence directly to the Assistant Administrator. A nation may provide information regarding compliance with the IDCP directly to NMFS on an annual basis or may authorize the IATTC to release the information to NMFS in years when NMFS will review and consider whether to issue an affirmative finding determination without an application from the harvesting nation.

An affirmative finding will be terminated, in consultation with the Secretary of State, if the Assistant Administrator determines that the requirements of 50 CFR 216.24(f) are no longer being met or that a nation is consistently failing to take enforcement actions on violations, thereby diminishing the effectiveness of the IDCP. Every 5 years, the government of the harvesting nation must request an affirmative finding and submit the

required documentary evidence directly to the Assistant Administrator.

As a part of the annual review process set forth in 50 CFR 216.24(f), the Assistant Administrator considered documentary evidence submitted by the Government of Mexico or obtained from the IATTC and the Department of State and determined that Mexico has met the MMPA's requirements to receive an affirmative finding.

After consultation with the Department of State, NMFS renewed the Government of Mexico's affirmative finding allowing the continued importation into the United States of yellowfin tuna and products derived from yellowfin tuna harvested in the ETP after March 3, 1999, by Mexican-flag purse seine vessels or purse seine vessels operating under Mexican jurisdiction.

In 2004, the Assistant Administrator will determine whether the Government of Mexico is meeting the requirements under section 101 (a)(2)(B) and (C) of the MMPA. If necessary, documentary evidence may also be requested from the Government of Mexico to determine whether the affirmative finding criteria are being met. In order for the affirmative finding for the Government of Mexico to be renewed after NMFS's annual review in 2004, the Government of Mexico must submit a new application in early 2005 for an affirmative finding to be effective for the period April 1, 2005, through March 31, 2006, and the subsequent 4 years.

Dated: February 3, 2004.

Wanda L. Cain,

Acting Director, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice.

The Department of Defense has submitted to OMB for clearance, the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by March 10, 2004.

Title, Form, and OMB Number: Civil Aircraft Landing Permit System; OMB Number 0701-0050.

Type of Request: Extension of a Currently Approved Collection.