

are not changing any findings in the preliminary determination for any of the Mandatory Respondents. For a detailed analysis of the allegations made by Mandatory Respondents, please see the *Mandatory Respondent Memo*.

**Ministerial Error Allegations From the Section A Respondents**

The Department addresses allegations of ministerial error with regard to Section A Respondents in its *Memorandum to the File, dated August 18, 2004, from Julia Hancock and Irene Gorelik, Case Analysts through James C. Doyle, Program Manager, Regarding Antidumping Duty Investigation of Certain Frozen and Canned Warmwater*

*Shrimp from the People's Republic of China: Allegations of Ministerial Error from Section A Respondents ("Section A Respondent Memo")*. Specifically, these allegations concern the expiration of business licenses, the acceptance of certificates of incorporation in lieu of a business license, sales packages, price negotiations and illegible submissions.

Additionally, on July 13, 2004, July 28, 2004, and August 4, 2004, the Department received additional timely information from certain Section A Respondents. The Department will address these comments in the final determination. See *Section A Respondent Memo*.

**Amended Preliminary Determination**

Upon re-examining the record for Shantou Shengping Oceanstar Business Co., Ltd. and Shantou Yuexing Enterprise Company, the Department agrees it made ministerial errors and is, therefore, correcting the error and granting these Section A companies separate rates for this amended preliminary determination. As a result of our correction of ministerial errors in the *Preliminary Determination*, the Department has determined that the following weighted-average dumping margins apply:<sup>3</sup>

**CERTAIN FROZEN AND CANNED WARMWATER SHRIMP FROM THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA: SECTION A RESPONDENTS**

Exporter and producer	Original preliminary margin (percent)	Amended preliminary margin (percent)
Shantou Shengping Oceanstar Business Co., Ltd. ....	112.81	49.09
Shantou Yuexing Enterprise Company .....	112.81	49.09

Because the errors alleged for the Mandatory Respondents were not significant, the Department is not amending the weighted-average dumping margin listed in the *Preliminary Determination*. In addition, the PRC-wide rate remains unchanged. The Mandatory Respondents will, however, have the opportunity to address the issues raised in their ministerial error comments in their case brief, which will be considered by the Department at the final determination.

The collection of bonds or cash deposits and suspension of liquidation will be revised accordingly and parties will be notified of this determination, in accordance with section 733(d) and (f) of the Act.

**International Trade Commission Notification**

In accordance with section 733(f) of the Act, we have notified the International Trade Commission ("ITC") of our amended preliminary determination. If our final determination is affirmative, the ITC will determine before the later of 120 days after the date of the preliminary determination or 45 days after our final determination whether the domestic industry in the United States is materially injured, or threatened with material injury, by reason of imports, or

sales (or the likelihood of sales) for importation, of the subject merchandise.

This determination is issued and published in accordance with sections 733(f) and 777(i)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.224(e).

Dated: August 23, 2004.

**James J. Jochum,**  
*Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.*  
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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**International Trade Administration**

[A-552-802]

**Notice of Amended Preliminary Antidumping Duty Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value: Certain Frozen and Canned Warmwater Shrimp From the Socialist Republic of Vietnam**

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

**ACTION:** Amended preliminary antidumping duty determination of sales at less than fair value.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** September 1, 2004.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Alex Villanueva or James C. Doyle, NME

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**Scope of the Investigation**

The scope of this investigation includes certain warmwater shrimp and prawns, whether frozen or canned, wild-caught (ocean harvested) or farm-raised (produced by aquaculture), head-on or head-off, shell-on or peeled, tail-on or tail-off,<sup>1</sup> deveined or not deveined, cooked or raw, or otherwise processed in frozen or canned form.

The frozen or canned warmwater shrimp and prawn products included in the scope of the investigation, regardless of definitions in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States ("HTSUS"), are products which are processed from warmwater shrimp and prawns through either freezing or canning and which are sold in any count size.

The products described above may be processed from any species of warmwater shrimp and prawns. Warmwater shrimp and prawns are generally classified in, but are not limited to, the *Penaeidae* family. Some examples of the farmed and wild-caught warmwater species include, but are not

<sup>3</sup>For the antidumping duty margin for all Section A Respondents not listed here, see *Preliminary Determination*, 69 FR 42654 (July 16, 2004).

<sup>1</sup>"Tails" in this context means the tail fan, which includes the telson and the uropods.

limited to, whiteleg shrimp (*Penaeus vannamei*), banana prawn (*Penaeus merguensis*), fleshy prawn (*Penaeus chinensis*), giant river prawn (*Macrobrachium rosenbergii*), giant tiger prawn (*Penaeus monodon*), redspotted shrimp (*Penaeus brasiliensis*), southern brown shrimp (*Penaeus subtilis*), southern pink shrimp (*Penaeus notialis*), southern rough shrimp (*Trachypenaeus curvirostris*), southern white shrimp (*Penaeus schmitti*), blue shrimp (*Penaeus stylirostris*), western white shrimp (*Penaeus occidentalis*), and Indian white prawn (*Penaeus indicus*).

Frozen shrimp and prawns that are packed with marinade, spices or sauce are included in the scope of the investigations. In addition, food preparations, which are not "prepared meals," that contain more than 20 percent by weight of shrimp or prawn are included in the scope of the investigation.

Excluded from the scope are (1) breaded shrimp<sup>2</sup> and prawns (1605.20.10.20); (2) shrimp and prawns generally classified in the *Pandalidae* family and commonly referred to as coldwater shrimp, in any state of processing; (3) fresh shrimp and prawns whether shell-on or peeled (0306.23.00.20 and 0306.23.00.40); (4) shrimp and prawns in prepared meals (1605.20.05.10); and (5) dried shrimp and prawns.

The products covered by this scope are currently classifiable under the following HTSUS subheadings: 0306.13.00.03, 0306.13.00.06, 0306.13.00.09, 0306.13.00.12, 0306.13.00.15, 0306.13.00.18, 0306.13.00.21, 0306.13.00.24, 0306.13.00.27, 0306.13.00.40, 1605.20.10.10, 1605.20.10.30, and 1605.20.10.40. These HTSUS subheadings are provided for convenience and customs purposes only and are not dispositive, but rather the written descriptions of the scope of these investigations is dispositive.

### Background

On July 2, 2004, the Department of Commerce ("the Department") preliminarily determined that certain frozen and canned warmwater shrimp

from the Socialist Republic of Vietnam are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value ("LTFV"), as provided in section 733(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended ("the Act"). See *Notice of Preliminary Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value, Negative Preliminary Determination of Critical Circumstances and Postponement of Final Determination: Certain Frozen and Canned Warmwater Shrimp from the Socialist Republic of Vietnam* ("Preliminary Determination") 69 FR 42672 (July 16, 2004).

On July 12, 2004, Camau Frozen Seafood Processing Import Export Corporation ("Camimex"), Kim Anh Co., Ltd. ("Kim Anh"), Minh Phu Seafood Corporation ("Min Phu") and Minh Hai Joint Stock Seafoods Processing Company ("Seaproduct Minh Hai"), hereinafter collectively referred to as "the Mandatory Respondents," timely filed allegations that the Department made ministerial errors in the preliminary determination. In addition, by July 12, 2004, certain Section A Respondents timely filed allegations that the Department made ministerial errors in the preliminary determination.

On July 19, 2004, the Ad Hoc Shrimp Trade Action Committee, Versaggi Shrimp Corporation, and Indian Ridge Shrimp Company, hereinafter referred to collectively as "Petitioners," filed rebuttal comments to the Mandatory Respondents' ministerial error allegations. Petitioners' July 19, 2004 submission was rejected as "the Secretary will not consider replies to comments submitted in connection with a preliminary determination." See 19 CFR 351.224(c)(3). See *Letter from James C. Doyle, Program Manager, AD/CVD Enforcement III to Petitioners Regarding Ministerial Error Allegation Rebuttal Comments*, dated August 16, 2004.

In reviewing the ministerial error allegations of the Mandatory Respondents, the Department noted that the allegations were deficient. On August 3, 2004, the Department sent a letter to the Mandatory Respondents requesting that they (1) present the appropriate correction and (2) demonstrate how the alleged ministerial error is significant by illustrating the effect on the individual weighted-average dumping margin as required by 19 CFR 351.224(c). On August 6, 2004, the Mandatory Respondents submitted their revised ministerial error allegations and noted that the correction of these alleged errors were not significant as required by 19 CFR 351.224(g).

### Significant Ministerial Error

The Department's regulations provide that the Secretary will correct any *significant* ministerial error by amending the preliminary determination. See 19 CFR 351.224(e). A ministerial error is an error in addition, subtraction or other arithmetic functions. A clerical error results from inaccurate copying, duplication, or any other similar type of unintentional error which the Secretary considers ministerial. See 19 CFR 351.224(f). A *significant* ministerial error is defined as an error, the correction of which, singly or in combination with other errors, would result in (1) a change of at least five absolute percentage points in, but not less than 25 percent of, the weighted-average dumping margin calculated in the original (erroneous) preliminary determination; or (2) a difference between a weighted-average dumping margin of zero or *de minimis* and a weighted-average dumping margin of greater than *de minimis* or vice versa. See 19 CFR 351.224(g). We are publishing this amendment to the Preliminary Determination pursuant to 19 CFR 351.224(e). As a result of this amended preliminary determination, we have revised the rate for one Section A Respondent, Kien Giang Seaproduct Import Export Company.

### Ministerial Error Allegations From Mandatory Respondents

The Department addresses allegations of ministerial error with regard to the Mandatory Respondents in its *Memorandum to the File, dated August 20, 2004, from Nicole Bankhead, Case Analysts through James C. Doyle, Program Manager, Regarding Antidumping Duty Investigation of Certain Frozen and Canned Warmwater Shrimp from the Socialist Republic of Vietnam: Allegations of Ministerial Error from Mandatory Respondents* ("Mandatory Respondent Memo"). Specifically, these allegations concern the by-product offset; headless shell-on conversion ratios; cold-storage, brokerage & handling and containerization expenses; post-sale price adjustments; and CONNUM-by-CONNUM comparisons. For purposes of this amended preliminary determination we are not changing any findings in the preliminary determination for any of the Mandatory Respondents. For a detailed analysis of the allegations made by Mandatory Respondents, please see the *Mandatory Respondent Memo*.

<sup>2</sup>Pursuant to our scope determination on battered shrimp, we find that breaded shrimp includes battered shrimp as discussed below. See *Memorandum from Edward C. Yang, Vietnam/NME Unit Coordinator, Import Administration to Jeffrey A. May, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration Antidumping Investigation on Certain Frozen and Canned Warmwater Shrimp from Brazil, Ecuador, India, Thailand, and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam: Scope Clarification on Dusted Shrimp and Battered Shrimp* ("Dusted/Battered Scope Memo"), dated July 2, 2004.

**Ministerial Error Allegations From the Section A Respondents**

The Department addresses allegations of ministerial error with regard to Section A Respondents in its *Memorandum to the File, dated August 20, 2004, from Nicole Bankhead and Paul Walker, Case Analysts through James C. Doyle, Program Manager, Regarding Antidumping Duty Investigation of Certain Frozen and*

*Canned Warmwater Shrimp from the Socialist Republic of Vietnam: Allegations of Ministerial Error from Section A Respondents.* Specifically, these allegations concern price negotiations, the acceptance of an investment licence in lieu of a business license and the dating of submissions.

**Amended Preliminary Determination**

For the purposes of this amended preliminary determination, we are

changing our finding in the *Preliminary Determination* and granting a separate rate to one additional Section A Respondent, Kien Giang Seaproduct Import Export Co. (“Kisimex”), based on the Department’s re-examination of evidence on the record. As a result of our correction of ministerial errors in the *Preliminary Determination*, we have determined that the following weighted-average dumping margin applies:<sup>3</sup>

**CERTAIN FROZEN AND CANNED WARMWATER SHRIMP FROM THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM: SECTION A RESPONDENTS**

Exporter and producer	Original preliminary margin (percent)	Amended preliminary margin (percent)
Kien Giang Seaproduct Import Export Co. ....	93.13	16.01

Because the ministerial errors alleged for the Mandatory Respondents do not constitute *significant* ministerial errors under 351.224(g), we are not changing the weighted-average dumping margin listed in the *Preliminary Determination*. In addition, the Vietnamese-wide rate remains unchanged.

The collection of bonds or cash deposits and suspension of liquidation will be revised accordingly and parties will be notified of this determination, in accordance with section 733(d) and (f) of the Act.

**International Trade Commission Notification**

In accordance with section 733(f) of the Act, we have notified the International Trade Commission (“ITC”) of our amended preliminary determination. If our final determination is affirmative, the ITC will determine before the later of 120 days after the date of the preliminary determination or 45 days after our final determination whether the domestic industry in the United States is materially injured, or threatened with material injury, by reason of imports, or sales (or the likelihood of sales) for importation, of the subject merchandise.

This determination is issued and published in accordance with sections 733(f) and 777(i)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.224(e).

Dated: August 23, 2004.  
**James J. Jochum,**  
*Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.*  
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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
 International Trade Administration  
 [A–475–818]**

**Certain Pasta From Italy: Notice of Initiation of Antidumping Duty New Shipper Review for the Period July 1, 2003, Through June 30, 2004**

**AGENCY:** Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.  
**ACTION:** Notice of Initiation of Antidumping New Shipper Review in Certain Pasta from Italy.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** September 1, 2004.  
**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce (the Department) has received a request to conduct a new shipper review of the antidumping duty (AD) order on certain pasta from Italy. In accordance with section 751(a)(2)(B) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), and 19 CFR 351.214(d) (2003), we are initiating an AD new shipper review for Atar S.r.L. (Atar).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dennis McClure or James Terpstra at (202) 482–5973 and (202) 482–3965, respectively; AD/CVD Operations 3, Import Administration, International

Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Background**

On July 30, 2004, the Department received a timely request from Atar, in accordance with 19 CFR 351.214(b), for a new shipper review of the AD order on certain pasta from Italy, which has a July anniversary month.<sup>1</sup>

As required by 19 CFR 351.214(b)(2)(i) and (iii)(A), Atar certified that it did not export subject merchandise to the United States during the period of investigation (POI), and that it has never been affiliated with any exporter or producer which exported subject merchandise during the POI.<sup>2</sup> Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.214(b)(2)(iv), the company submitted documentation establishing the date on which it first shipped the subject merchandise to the United States, the date of entry of that first shipment, the volume of that and subsequent shipments, and the date of the first sale to an unaffiliated customer in the United States.<sup>3</sup>

**Initiation of Reviews**

In accordance with section 751(a)(2)(B) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.214(d), and based on information on the record, we are initiating an AD new shipper review for Atar. We intend to issue the preliminary results of this new shipper review not later than 180 days after initiation of this review. We intend to issue final results of this review no

<sup>3</sup> For the antidumping duty margin for all Section A Respondents not listed here, see *Preliminary Determination*, 69 FR 42654 (July 16, 2004).

<sup>1</sup> See *Certain Pasta from Italy*, 61 FR 38547 (July 24, 1996).

<sup>2</sup> See submission from Grunfeld, Desiderio, Lebowitz, Silverman & Klestadt LLP on behalf of Atar S.r.L. to the Department regarding Request for New Shipper Review, Case A-475-818, dated July 30, 2004.

<sup>3</sup> *Id.*