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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-475-829]

Stainless Steel Bar From Italy; Extension of Time Limit for the Preliminary Results of the Antidumping Duty Administrative Review

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

DATES: Effective Date: November 17, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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Background

On May 27, 2004, the Department of Commerce ("the Department") published a notice of initiation of administrative review of the antidumping duty order on stainless steel bar from Italy covering the period March 1, 2003, through February 29, 2004 (69 FR 30282). The preliminary results in the antidumping duty administrative review of stainless steel bar from Italy are currently due no later than December 1, 2004.

Extension of Time Limits for Preliminary Results

Section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930 ("the Act") requires the Department to issue the preliminary results of an administrative review within 245 days after the last day of the anniversary month of an antidumping duty order for which a review is requested and issue the final results within 120 days after the date on which the preliminary results are published. However, if the Department finds it is not practicable to complete the review within the time period, section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act allows the Department to extend these deadlines to a maximum of 365 days and 180 days, respectively.

The Department finds that it is not practicable to complete the preliminary

results in this administrative review of stainless steel bar from Italy within the originally anticipated time limit. Additional time is needed due to complex verification and affiliation issues in this case.

Therefore, the Department is extending the time limit for completion of the preliminary results to February 1, 2005, in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act.

We are issuing and publishing this notice in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act.

Dated: November 8, 2004.

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Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Certain Stainless Steel Sheet and Strip in Coils From Mexico; Preliminary Results of the Sunset Review of Antidumping Duty Order

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

ACTION: Notice of antidumping duty order of sunset review on certain stainless steel sheet and strip in coils from Mexico; preliminary results.

SUMMARY: On June 1, 2004, the Department of Commerce ("the Department") initiated a sunset review of the antidumping duty order of certain stainless steel sheet and strip in coils from Mexico.1 On the basis of the notice of intent to participate, adequate substantive responses and rebuttal comments filed on behalf of the domestic and respondent interested parties, the Department is conducting a full sunset review of the antidumping duty order pursuant to section 751(e)(3)(B) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended ("the Act") and section 351.218(e)(2)(i) of the Department's regulations. As a result of this sunset review, the Department preliminarily finds that revocation of the antidumping duty order would likely lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping at the levels listed below in the section entitled "Preliminary Results of Review".

DATES: Effective Date: November 17, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On June 1, 2004, the Department published its notice of initiation of the first sunset review of the antidumping duty order on stainless steel sheet and strip in coils from Mexico, in accordance with section 751(c) of the Act. See Initiation of Five-Year ("Sunset") Reviews, 69 FR 30874 (June 1, 2004).

The Department received Notices of Intent to Participate on behalf of Allegheny Ludlum Corporation, North America Stainless, Nucor Corporation, Local 3303 United Auto Workers (formerly Butler Armco Independent Union), the United Steelworkers of America, AFL-CIO/CLC, and the Zanesville Armco Independent Organization, Inc, (collectively, "domestic interested parties"), within the applicable deadline specified in section 351.218(d)(1)(i) of the Department's regulations. Domestic interested parties claimed interested party status pursuant to sections 771(9)(C) and (D) of the Act. The Department received a complete substantive response to the notice of initiation from the domestic interested parties within the 30-day deadline specified in the Department's regulations under section 351.218(d)(3)(i). The Department received a complete substantive response from respondent interested parties, ThyssenKrupp Mexinox S.A. de C.V. ("Mexinox") and Mexinox USA, Inc. ("Mexinox USA"), (collectively, ''respondent''), within the applicable deadline specified in section 351.218(d)(3)(i).

On July 2, 2004, the Department received a request from domestic interested parties for an extension of the deadline for filing rebuttal comments to the substantive response. Pursuant to Section 351.302(b) of the Department's regulations, domestic and respondent parties were granted an extension to file rebuttal comments to the substantive responses until July 9, 2004. On July 9, 2004, the Department received rebuttal comments to the substantive response from the domestic interested parties and the respondent.

On September 27, 2004, the Department published a notice of extension of time limits for its preliminary results of review until

¹ See Initiation of Five-Year ("Sunset") Reviews, 69 FR 30874 (June 1, 2004) ("Notice of Initiation").