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Hearing Clerks Bill H R 4128,
House Ways & Means Committee
Washington DC, DC

HR 4128/S.2235

Committee Members,

We are a producer of rolled rings used in the manufacture of flanges. Our products require traceability of product from the melting of the steel to finished product. The enforcement of the country of origin by U S Customs has been brought about by abuses by importers of these products as far as being able to trace these materials back to the original producer.

The "Markings Harmonization Act of 2002" leaves this door open to more abuse in this practice. Since these products are used in high pressure applications in refineries, chemical plants and pipelines, it would seem logical to have all the traceability that is possible, part of which is showing the country of origin. A lot of the oil companies and engineering companies specifically prohibit products from some countries because of past experience with quality from these countries.

If we require the country of origin to be shown on a " Beanie Baby", it seems logical to require the same for these products to be used in high pressure dangerous applications. We are opposed to HR 4128/S2235, "Markings and Harmonization Act."

Sincerely,

Steve Duenner
President