

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20436

**MEMORANDUM ON PROPOSED TARIFF LEGISLATION
of the 110th Congress¹**

[Date approved: March 26, 2008]²

Bill No. and sponsor: H.R. 4314 (Mr. Joseph Crowley of New York).

Proponent name,³ location: Honeywell International, Inc., Morristown, NJ.

Other bills on product (110th Congress only): None.

Nature of bill: Extend the existing temporary duty suspension through December 31, 2011.

Retroactive effect: None.

Suggested article description(s) for enactment (including appropriate HTS subheading(s)):

Color video monitors each having a cathode-ray tube and a video display diagonal exceeding 35.56 cm (provided for in subheading 8528.49.40).

Check one: Same as that in bill as introduced.
 Different from that in bill as introduced (see Technical comments section).

Product information, including uses/applications and source(s) of imports:

This product is a video monitor with a cathode-ray tube with a screen size greater than 35.56 cm (14 inches) in video display diagonal, designed for viewing live and recorded video signals from security cameras, video storage devices, and other closed-circuit television (CCTV) equipment. The pertinent HTS subheading covers goods that are non-high definition, have a single picture tube intended for direct viewing, and do not incorporate video recording or reproducing apparatus; that is, they produce an image intended for direct viewing. Unlike video monitors intended for consumer use, these monitors have BNC⁴ input connections and video loop-thru connectors to permit increased flexibility of video signal routing and connectivity. These monitors are usually used in applications requiring around-the-clock continuous operation and feature higher reliability than monitors intended for consumer use.

China was the principal import source of these monitors in 2007.

¹ Industry analyst preparing report: John Kitzmiller (202-205-3387); Tariff Affairs contact: Jan Summers (202-205-2605).

² Access to an electronic copy of this memorandum is available at http://usitc.gov/tata/hts/other/rel_doc/bill_reports/index.htm.

³ The sponsor/proponent did not identify any additional beneficiaries to this bill.

⁴ A BNC connector is a "male" connector used to connect video components to coaxial cables. The name reportedly stands for British Naval Connector or Bayonet Nut Connector or Bayonet Neill-Concelman connector, according to various Internet sites.

Estimated effect on customs revenue:

HTS subheading: 8528.49.40					
 	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Col. 1-General rate of duty	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%
Estimated value <i>dutiable</i> imports	\$1,850,000	\$1,925,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,075,000	\$2,150,000
Customs revenue loss <u>1/</u>	\$92,500	\$96,250	\$100,000	\$103,750	\$107,500

1/ The estimated customs revenue loss for 2009 reflects the existing duty suspension under heading 9902.23.53 that expires on December 31, 2009.

Source of estimated dutiable import data: Industry and Commission estimates.

Contacts with domestic firms/organizations (including the proponent):

Name of firm/organization	Date contacted	Claim US makes same or competing product(s)?	Submission attached?	Opposition noted?
		(Yes/No)		
Honeywell International, Inc. (Proponent) Arthur Simonetti, 202-662-2671	01/05/2008	No	No	No
Bosch Security Lori Brunke, 800-289-0096	02/01/2008	No	No	No
ELMO USA Corp. Gilbert DeLiso, 516-501-1400 ext. 107	01/22/2008	No	Yes	No
Panasonic/Matsushita Corp. of America Mary Alexander, 202-912-3800	01/06/2008	No	No	No
PELCO Jan Jarvis, 800-289-9100	01/31/2008	No	No	No
Princeton Display Technologies Dr. Suprasad Baidyaroy, 609-430-0690	01/23/2008	No	Yes	No
Sony Co. Christina Mulvihill, 202-429-3653	01/23/2008	No	Yes	No
Tandberg Alice Clark, 212-692-6500	02/01/2008	No	No	No
Vicon Ken Darby, 631-952-2288	02/01/2008	No	No	No
Video Display Corp. Ron Ordway, 770-938-2080	01/23/2008	No	No	No

Technical comments:⁵

None.

⁵ The Commission may express an opinion on the HTS classification of a product to facilitate consideration of the bill. However, by law, only the U.S. Customs Service is authorized to issue a binding ruling on this matter. The Commission believes that the U.S. Customs Service should be consulted prior to enactment of the bill.

110TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 4314

To extend the temporary suspension of duty on certain color video monitors.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

DECEMBER 6, 2007

Mr. CROWLEY introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on Ways and Means

A BILL

To extend the temporary suspension of duty on certain color
video monitors.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. CERTAIN COLOR VIDEO MONITORS.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Heading 9902.23.53 of the Har-
5 monized Tariff Schedule of the United States (relating to
6 certain color video monitors) is amended by striking the
7 date in the effective period column and inserting “12/31/
8 2011”.

9 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by
10 subsection (a) applies to goods entered, or withdrawn from

- 1 warehouse for consumption, on or after the 15th day after
- 2 the date of the enactment of this Act.

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