## UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION Washington, D.C.

In the Matter of

CERTAIN UNIVERSAL GOLF CLUB SHAFT AND GOLF CLUB HEAD CONNECTION ADAPTORS, CERTAIN COMPONENTS THEREOF, AND PRODUCTS CONTAINING THE SAME (II)

**Investigation No. 337-TA-1354** 

## NOTICE OF A COMMISSION DETERMINATION TO EXTEND THE DUE DATE FOR DETERMINING WHETHER TO REVIEW AN INITIAL DETERMINATION FINDING ALL RESPONDENTS IN DEFAULT

**AGENCY**: U.S. International Trade Commission.

**ACTION**: Notice.

**SUMMARY**: Notice is hereby given that the U.S. International Trade Commission ("Commission") has determined to extend until June 28, 2023, the due date for determining whether to review an initial determination ("ID") (Order No. 7) of the presiding administrative law judge ("ALJ"), finding all respondents in default.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ronald A. Traud, Esq., Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street S.W., Washington, D.C. 20436, telephone (202) 205-3427. Copies of non-confidential documents filed in connection with this investigation may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS) at <a href="https://edis.usitc.gov">https://edis.usitc.gov</a>. For help accessing EDIS, please email <a href="mailto:EDIS3Help@usitc.gov">EDIS3Help@usitc.gov</a>. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server at <a href="https://www.usitc.gov">https://www.usitc.gov</a>. Hearing-impaired persons are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal on (202) 205-1810.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**: On March 8, 2023, the Commission instituted this investigation based on a complaint filed by Club-Conex LLC of Scottsdale, Arizona ("Club-Conex"). 86 FR 14393 (Mar. 8, 2023). The complaint alleged violations of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. 1337, due to the importation into the United States, sale for importation, or sale in the United States after importation of certain universal golf club shaft and golf club head connection adaptors, certain components thereof, and products containing the same by reason of infringement of certain claims of U.S. Patent No. 11,426,638. *Id.* The complaint also alleged the existence of a domestic industry. *Id.* The notice of investigation named as respondents Top Golf Equipment Co. Limited, d/b/a All-Fit Golf of

Shenzhen, China; Volf Sports Co. LTD of Shenzhen, China; and WoFu(Shenzhen)Sports Goods Co., Ltd. of Shenzhen, China (collectively, "Respondents"). *Id.* The Office of Unfair Import Investigations was not named as a party. *Id.* 

On April 6, 2023, Club-Conex moved for an order directing Respondents to show cause as to why they should not be found in default for failing to respond to the complaint and notice of investigation. No response was filed.

On April 25, 2023, the ALJ issued Order No. 6, finding that Respondents were served with the complaint and notice of investigation, yet did not file responses thereto or otherwise participate in this investigation; and directing Respondents to show cause, no later than March 29, 2023, as to why they should not be found in default. No response to the show cause order was filed.

On May 4, 2023, Club-Conex submitted exhibits demonstrating proof of service of Order No. 6 on Respondents.

On May 17, 2023, the ALJ issued Order No. 7, the subject ID, finding that Respondents have not responded to the order to show cause (Order No. 6), and therefore are in default pursuant to 19 CFR 210.16. No petitions for review of the ID were filed.

The Commission has determined to extend until June 28, 2023, the due date for determining whether to review the ID.

The Commission vote for this determination took place on June 16, 2023.

The authority for the Commission's determination is contained in section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U.S.C. 1337), and in Part 210 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR Part 210).

While temporary remote operating procedures are in place in response to COVID-19, the Office of the Secretary is not able to serve parties that have not retained counsel or otherwise provided a point of contact for electronic service.

Accordingly, pursuant to Commission Rules 201.16(a) and 210.7(a)(1) (19 CFR 201.16(a), 210.7(a)(1)), the Commission orders that the Complainant(s) complete service for any party/parties without a method of electronic service noted on the attached Certificate of Service and shall file proof of service on the Electronic Document Information System (EDIS).

By order of the Commission.

Lisa R. Barton

Secretary to the Commission

Issued: June 16, 2023