

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C.

In the Matter of

**CERTAIN LOW-PROFILE MICROWAVE-
HOOD COMBINATION PRODUCTS**

Investigation No. 337-TA-1467

**NOTICE OF COMMISSION DETERMINATION NOT TO REVIEW AN INITIAL
DETERMINATION TERMINATING THE INVESTIGATION AS TO A RESPONDENT
BASED ON WITHDRAWAL OF THE COMPLAINT**

AGENCY: U.S. International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the U.S. International Trade Commission has determined not to review an initial determination (“ID”) of the presiding administrative law judge (“ALJ”) that terminates respondent Haier Group Corporation (“HGC”) of Qingdao, Shandong, China from the above-captioned investigation based on withdrawal of the complaint. HGC is terminated from the investigation.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Richard P. Hadorn, Esq., Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20436, telephone (202) 205-3179. Copies of non-confidential documents filed in connection with this investigation may be viewed on the Commission’s electronic docket (EDIS) at <https://edis.usitc.gov>. For help accessing EDIS, please email EDIS3Help@usitc.gov. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server at <https://www.usitc.gov>. Hearing-impaired persons are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission’s TDD terminal, telephone (202) 205-1810.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Commission instituted this investigation on December 22, 2025, based on a complaint filed by Whirlpool Corporation (“Whirlpool”) of Benton Harbor, Michigan. 90 FR 59866-67 (Dec. 22, 2025). The complaint, as supplemented, alleges violations of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. 1337, based on the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, and the sale within the United States after importation of certain low-profile microwave-hood combination products by reason of the infringement of certain claims of U.S. Patent Nos. 11,079,118; 11,979,967; 12,101,865; 12,133,317; and 12,289,819. *Id.* at 59866. The complaint further alleges that a domestic industry exists. *Id.*

The notice of investigation names 16 respondents: (1) Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd. of Suwon-si, Gyeonggi-do, Republic of Korea; (2) Samsung Electronics America, Inc. of Englewood Cliffs, New Jersey; (3) LG Electronics Inc. of Yeongdeungpo-gu, Seoul, Republic of Korea; (4) LG Electronics USA, Inc. of Englewood Cliffs, New Jersey; (5) Midea Group Co., Ltd. of Foshan, Guangdong, China; (6) Midea America Corporation of Parsippany, New Jersey; (7) HGC; (8) Haier US Appliance Solutions, Inc. (d/b/a GE Appliances) of Louisville, Kentucky; (9) Electrolux

Professional AB (“ABE”) of Stockholm, Sweden; (10) Electrolux Consumer Products, Inc. of Charlotte, North Carolina; (11) Cosmo Products, LLC of Chino, California; (12) Meyer Corporation, U.S. (“Meyer”) of Vallejo, California; (13) Koolmore Supply, Inc. of Brooklyn, New York; (14) THOR International (d/b/a THOR Kitchen, Inc.) of Ontario, California; (15) Unique Appliances Ltd. of Oakville, Ontario, Canada; and (16) CTM Household Appliances Inc. (d/b/a FORNO) of Montreal, Quebec, Canada. *Id.* at 59867. The Office of Unfair Import Investigations is not named as a party to this investigation. *Id.*

On February 18, 2026, the Commission terminated the investigation as to respondents Meyer and ABE based on withdrawal of the complaint. Order No. 8 (Jan. 23, 2026) (Meyer), Order No. 9 (Jan. 23, 2026) (ABE), *both unreviewed by Comm’n Notice* (Feb. 18, 2026).

On January 26, 2026, Whirlpool filed a motion to terminate the investigation as to respondent HGC based on withdrawal of the complaint. The motion states that all the remaining respondents confirmed that they do not oppose the motion. No responses to the motion were filed.

On February 3, 2026, the ALJ issued the subject ID (Order No. 16) granting the motion. The ID finds that the motion is unopposed and complies with the requirements of Commission Rule 210.21(a)(1) (19 CFR 210.21(a)(1)), and that terminating HGC is “in the public interest.” ID at 3. The ALJ further grants Whirlpool’s request to stay the deadlines in the procedural schedule as to HGC pending Commission review of the ID. *Id.* No petitions for review of the subject ID were filed.

The Commission has determined not to review the subject ID. The investigation is hereby terminated as to HGC.

The Commission vote for this determination took place on February 20, 2026.

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).

By order of the Commission.



Lisa R. Barton
Secretary to the Commission

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