

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

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) 731-TA-44 (Second Review)
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Room No. 101
 U.S. International
 Trade Commission
 500 E Street, S.W.
 Washington, D.C.

The Commission meeting commenced, pursuant to Notice, at 11:00 a.m., before the Commissioners of the United States International Trade Commission, the Honorable STEPHEN KOPLAN, Chairman, presiding.

APPEARANCES:

On behalf of the International Trade Commission:

Commissioners:

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 DEANNA TANNER OKUN, VICE CHAIRMAN
 MARCIA E. MILLER, COMMISSIONER
 JENNIFER A. HILLMAN, COMMISSIONER
 CHARLOTTE R. LANE, COMMISSIONER
 DANIEL R. PEARSON, COMMISSIONER

APPEARANCES: (cont'd.)

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MARILYN R. ABBOTT, SECRETARY TO THE COMMISSION
FRED FISCHER, INVESTIGATOR
MARK REES, ATTORNEY
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Staff, Investigation Nos. 731-TA-770-775 (Review), Stainless Steel Wire Rod From Italy, Japan, Korea, Spain, Sweden, and Taiwan:

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HARRY LENCHITZ, INDUSTRY ANALYST
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P R O C E E D I N G S

(11:00 a.m.)

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3 CHAIRMAN KOPLAN: This meeting of the U.S.
4 International Trade Commission will please come to
5 order.

6 Welcome to Ms. Mazur and the staff who
7 participated in our investigations.

8 Good morning, Madam Secretary.

9 MS. ABBOTT: Good morning, Mr. Chairman.

10 CHAIRMAN KOPLAN: I understand there is no
11 agenda for future meetings or outstanding action
12 jackets to consider.

13 Turning to the minutes of June 28, 2004, are
14 there any objections to approval of those minutes?

15 (No response.)

16 CHAIRMAN KOPLAN: Hearing none, they are
17 approved.

18 As to Ratification List 04-015, are there
19 any objections to approval?

20 (No response.)

21 CHAIRMAN KOPLAN: Hearing none, it is
22 approved.

23 We will now turn to the briefing and vote in
24 Investigation No. 731-TA-44 (Second Review), Sorbitol
25 From France.

1 Welcome to Ms. Mazur and the staff who
2 participated in this investigation. Are there any
3 questions for the staff?

4 (No response.)

5 CHAIRMAN KOPLAN: Are there any additions or
6 corrections to the staff report?

7 MS. MAZUR: Diane Mazur, Office of
8 Investigations. Mr. Chairman, there are no
9 corrections or additions to the staff report.

10 CHAIRMAN KOPLAN: Are there any objections
11 to approval of the staff report?

12 (No response.)

13 CHAIRMAN KOPLAN: Hearing none, it is
14 approved.

15 Madam Secretary, will you please call the
16 roll?

17 MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Hillman?

18 COMMISSIONER HILLMAN: I vote in the
19 affirmative.

20 MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Lane?

21 COMMISSIONER LANE: I vote in the negative.

22 MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Pearson?

23 COMMISSIONER PEARSON: I vote in the
24 negative.

25 MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Koplan?

1 CHAIRMAN KOPLAN: I vote in the affirmative.

2 MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Miller?

3 COMMISSIONER MILLER: I vote in the
4 affirmative.

5 MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Okun?

6 VICE CHAIRMAN OKUN: I vote in the negative.

7 MS. ABBOTT: Mr. Chairman, the Commission
8 has reached an affirmative determination in this
9 review.

10 CHAIRMAN KOPLAN: Thank you, Madam
11 Secretary.

12 Further information regarding this
13 determination will be in the press release.

14 Commissioners' opinions are currently
15 scheduled to be transmitted to the Department of
16 Commerce on or before July 16, 2004.

17 Thank you again to all staff who
18 participated in this investigation.

19 We will take a moment to change staff for
20 our next vote.

21 (Pause.)

22 CHAIRMAN KOPLAN: We turn now to the
23 briefing and vote in Investigation Nos. 731-TA-770-775
24 (Review), Stainless Steel Wire Rod From Italy, Japan,
25 Korea, Spain, Sweden, and Taiwan.

1 I note for the record that on July 6, 2004,
2 the Commission terminated Investigation No.
3 731-TA-373, Stainless Steel Wire Rod From Italy,
4 following a negative determination by the Department
5 of Commerce.

6 Welcome to Mr. Corkran and the staff who
7 assisted in this investigation.

8 Are there any questions for the staff?

9 (No response.)

10 CHAIRMAN KOPLAN: Are there any additions or
11 corrections to the staff report?

12 MR. CORKRAN: Douglas Corkran, Office of
13 Investigations. Thank you, Chairman Koplan.

14 We propose that the staff report be revised
15 in accordance with Memorandum INV-BB-082 dated
16 June 29, 2004, and Memorandum INV-BB-089 dated
17 July 7, 2004.

18 CHAIRMAN KOPLAN: Thank you, Mr. Corkran.

19 Are there any objections to approval of the
20 staff report as revised?

21 (No response.)

22 CHAIRMAN KOPLAN: Hearing none, it is
23 approved.

24 Before we turn to the vote, I would just say
25 to you, Mr. Corkran, that we appreciate -- I

1 appreciate -- the work that you all have done for us
2 on this particular investigation. Thank you.

3 Madam Secretary, will you call the roll?

4 MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Koplan?

5 CHAIRMAN KOPLAN: I vote in the affirmative
6 as to all investigations.

7 MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Lane?

8 COMMISSIONER LANE: I concur with my
9 colleague.

10 MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Miller?

11 COMMISSIONER MILLER: I vote in the
12 affirmative with respect to all investigations.

13 MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Hillman?

14 COMMISSIONER HILLMAN: I vote in the
15 affirmative with respect to all investigations.

16 MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Okun?

17 VICE CHAIRMAN OKUN: I vote in the
18 affirmative with respect to Japan and Taiwan. I vote
19 in the negative with respect to Italy, Korea, Sweden,
20 and Spain.

21 MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Pearson?

22 COMMISSIONER PEARSON: I vote in the
23 affirmative with respect to Japan and Taiwan and in
24 the negative with respect to Italy, Korea, Spain and
25 Sweden.

1 MS. ABBOTT: Mr. Chairman, the Commission
2 has reached affirmative determinations in these
3 reviews.

4 CHAIRMAN KOPLAN: Thank you, Madam
5 Secretary.

6 Further information regarding this
7 determination will be in the press release.

8 Commissioners' opinions are currently
9 scheduled to be transmitted to the Department of
10 Commerce on or before July 20, 2004.

11 Thank you to all staff who participated in
12 these investigations.

13 If there is no other business before this
14 Commission, the meeting is adjourned.

15 (Whereupon, at 11:07 a.m. the Commission
16 meeting in the above-entitled matter was concluded.)

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CERTIFICATION OF TRANSCRIPTION

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