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Thursday,
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U.S. International
Trade Commission
500 E Street, SW
Washington, D.C.

The Commission meeting commenced, pursuant to notice, at 1:59 p.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:

STEPHEN KOPLAN, CHAIRMAN (presiding)
DEANNA TANNER OKUN, VICE CHAIRMAN (via telephone)
MARCIA E. MILLER, COMMISSIONER (via telephone)
CHARLOTTE R. LANE, COMMISSIONER
DANIEL R. PEARSON, COMMISSIONER (via telephone)

APPEARANCES (continued):

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COORDINATOR

Staff:

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MARY JANE ALVES, ATTORNEY
GEORGE DEYMAN, SUPERVISORY INVESTIGATOR

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P R O C E E D I N G S

(1:59 p.m.)

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3 CHAIRMAN KOPLAN: This meeting of the U.S.
4 International Trade Commission will please come to
5 order. Good afternoon. I understand that Vice
6 Chairman Okun and Commissioners Miller and Pearson are
7 voting by telephone this afternoon. Good afternoon,
8 Commissioners.

9 VICE CHAIRMAN OKUN: Good afternoon.

10 COMMISSIONER PEARSON: Good afternoon.

11 COMMISSIONER MILLER: Good afternoon.

12 CHAIRMAN KOPLAN: I understand there is no
13 agenda for future meetings to consider.

14 Are there any objections to approval of the
15 minutes of October 18, 2004?

16 (No response.)

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

19 Are there any objections to approval of
20 Ratification List 04-020?

21 (No response.)

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

24 I understand that the action jacket listed
25 on the agenda has cleared the Commission. Therefore,

1 there are none to consider.

2 We will now turn to the briefing and vote in
3 Investigation No. 731-TA-1088 (Preliminary) Polyvinyl
4 Alcohol from Taiwan.

5 Welcome to Mr. Deyman and the staff who
6 participated in this investigation. Are there any
7 questions for the staff?

8 (No response.)

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

11 MR. DEYMAN: Yes, Mr. Chairman. This is
12 George Deyman of the Office of Investigations. We
13 have three correction memos, No. INV-BB-127 of October
14 18; INV-BB-129 of October 20; and INV-BB-130 of
15 October 21. We propose that the staff report be
16 amended to include the information in the memos.

17 CHAIRMAN KOPLAN: Are there any objections
18 to approval of the staff report as revised?

19 (No response.)

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

22 Mr. Secretary, will you please call the
23 roll?

24 MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Hillman is not
25 participating in this investigation.

1 Commissioner Pearson?

2 COMMISSIONER PEARSON: I vote in the
3 negative.

4 MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Lane?

5 COMMISSIONER LANE: I vote in the negative.

6 MR. BISHOP: Chairman Koplan?

7 CHAIRMAN KOPLAN: I vote in the affirmative.

8 MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Miller?

9 COMMISSIONER MILLER: I vote in the
10 affirmative.

11 MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Okun?

12 VICE CHAIRMAN OKUN: I vote in the negative.

13 MR. BISHOP: Mr. Chairman, the Commission
14 has reached a negative determination in this
15 investigation.

16 CHAIRMAN KOPLAN: Thank you, Mr. Secretary.
17 Further information regarding this determination will
18 be in the press release. Commissioners' opinions are
19 currently scheduled to be transmitted to the
20 Department of Commerce on or before October 29, 2004.

21 Thank you to all staff who participated in
22 this investigation. With that, this meeting is
23 adjourned unless there is other business.

24 MR. BISHOP: No, Mr. Chairman.

25 CHAIRMAN KOPLAN: We are adjourned.

1 (Whereupon, at 2:02 p.m., the Commission
2 meeting was adjourned.)

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CERTIFICATION OF TRANSCRIPTION

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from Taiwan)

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HEARING DATE: October 21, 2004

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