

UNITED STATES

INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:
CERTAIN CARBON AND ALLOY STEEL CUT-TO-LENGTH
PLATE FROM AUSTRIA, BELGIUM, BRAZIL, CHINA,
FRANCE, GERMANY, ITALY, JAPAN, KOREA,
SOUTH AFRICA, TAIWAN, AND TURKEY

) Investigation Nos.:
) 701-TA-559-561 AND
) 731-TA-1317-1328
) (PRELIMINARY)
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6 PLATE FROM AUSTRIA,) (Preliminary)

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9 JAPAN, KOREA, SOUTH AFRICA,)

10 TAIWAN, AND TURKEY)

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12 Friday, May 20, 2016

13 Main Hearing Room (Room 101)

14 U.S. International

15 Trade Commission

16 500 E Street, S.W.

17 Washington, D.C.

18 The meeting, commenced, pursuant to notice, at

19 1:00 p.m., before the Commissioners of the United States

20 International Trade Commission, Commissioner David S.

21 Johanson, presiding.

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1 APPEARANCES:

2 On behalf of the International Trade Commission:

3 Commissioners:

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5 DEAN A. PINKERT, VICE CHAIRMAN (via telephone)

6 IRVING A. WILLIAMSON, COMMISSIONER (via
7 telephone)

8 DAVID S. JOHANSON, COMMISSIONER

9 F. SCOTT KIEFF, COMMISSIONER (via telephone)

10 RHONDA K. SCHMIDTLEIN, COMMISSIONER (via
11 telephone)

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P R O C E E D I N G S

(1:11 p.m.)

COMMISSIONER JOHANSON: Good afternoon. This meeting of the U.S. International Trade Commission will now come to order.

Welcome to Vice Chairman Pinkert, and Commissioners Williamson and Kieff who are participating by telephone.

VICE CHAIRMAN PINKERT: Good afternoon.

COMMISSIONER WILLIAMSON: Good afternoon.

COMMISSIONER KIEFF: Hello.

COMMISSIONER JOHANSON: I understand that there are no agendas for future meetings, minutes, ratification lists or outstanding action jackets to consider.

Next we turn to the vote on Investigation Nos. 701-559-561 and 731-1317-1328, Preliminary, Certain Carbon and Alloy Steel Cut-to-Length Plate from Austria, Belgium, Brazil, China, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Korea, South Africa, Taiwan, and Turkey. Welcome to Mr. Corkran and the staff who participated in these investigations.

Are there any questions for the staff?

(No response.)

COMMISSIONER JOHANSON: Are there any additions or corrections to the staff report?

MR. CORKRAN: Douglas Corkran, Office of

1 Investigations, staff proposes that the staff report be
2 revised in accordance with memorandum INV-00-046 dated May
3 19, 2016. Staff has no further revisions. Thank you.

4 COMMISSIONER JOHANSON: Is there any objection to
5 approval of the staff report as revised?

6 (No response.)

7 COMMISSIONER JOHANSON: Hearing none it is
8 approved.

9 Mr. Secretary, will you please call the roll?

10 MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Pinkert?

11 COMMISSIONER PINKERT: I vote in the negative
12 with respect to the Countervailing Duty Investigation on
13 imports from Brazil. I vote in the affirmative with respect
14 to all other investigations.

15 MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Williamson?

16 COMMISSIONER WILLIAMSON: I vote in the negative
17 with respect to the Countervailing Duty Investigation on
18 imports from Brazil. I vote in the affirmative with respect
19 to all other investigations.

20 MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Schmidtlein?

21 COMMISSIONER SCHMIDTLEIN: I vote in the negative
22 with respect to the CVD investigation on imports from Brazil
23 and in the affirmative with respect to all other
24 investigations.

25 MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Kieff?

1 COMMISSIONER KIEFF: I vote in the negative with
2 respect to the CVD investigation on imports from Brazil, and
3 I vote in the affirmative with respect to all other
4 investigations.

5 MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Johanson?

6 COMMISSIONER JOHANSON: I vote in the negative
7 with respect to the countervailing duty investigation on
8 imports from Brazil. I vote in the affirmative with respect
9 to all other investigations.

10 (Discussion among the staff and secretary.)

11 COMMISSIONER JOHANSON: Thank you Mr. Secretary.
12 Further information regarding these determinations will be
13 in the press release. Thank you to all the staff who
14 participated in these investigations. Seeing that there is
15 no other business before the Commission, this meeting is in
16 recess.

17 (Whereupon the meeting recessed at 1:13 p.m. to be
18 reconvened this same day.)

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23 (Whereupon, the meeting was reconvened at 1:42 p.m.)

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25 COMMISSIONER JOHANSON: Good afternoon. This
 meeting of the U.S. International Trade Commission is now

1 called back to order. Welcome to Chairman Broadbent, who is
2 participating by telephone.

3 CHAIRMAN BROADBENT: Thank you.

4 COMMISSIONER JOHANSON: Next we return to the
5 vote in Investigation Nos. 701-559-561 and 731-1317-1328,
6 Preliminary, Certain Carbon and Alloy Steel Cut-to-Length
7 Plate from Austria, Belgium, Brazil, China, France, Germany,
8 Italy, Japan, Korea, South Africa, Taiwan, and Turkey. Mr.
9 Secretary, will you please call the roll.

10 MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Broadbent?

11 COMMISSIONER BROADBENT: I vote in the
12 affirmative except for with respect to the Countervailing
13 Duty proceeding against Brazil, on which I vote in the
14 negative.

15 MR. BISHOP: Mr. Chairman, the Commission has
16 reached a negative determination with respect to the
17 Countervailing Duty Investigation on imports from Brazil.
18 The Commission has reached affirmative determinations with
19 respect to all other investigations.

20 COMMISSIONER JOHANSON: Thank you Mr. Secretary.
21 Further information regarding these determinations will be
22 in the press release. Views of the Commission currently are
23 scheduled to be completed and filed on May 31, 2016.

24 Thank you to all the staff who participated in
25 these investigations.

1 Seeing that there is no other business before the
2 Commission, this meeting is adjourned.

3 (Whereupon, at 1:43 p.m., the meeting was
4 adjourned.)

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