UNITED STATES
INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

In the Matter of: FINE DENIER POLYESTER STAPLE FIBER FROM CHINA, INDIA, KOREA AND TAIWAN AND CITRIC ACID AND CERTAIN CITRATE SALTS FROM BELGIUM, COLOMBIA, AND THAILAND

Investigation Nos.: 701-TA-579-580 AND 731-TA-1369-1372 (PRELIMINARY)
701-TA-581 AND 731-TA-1374-1376 (PRELIMINARY)

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AND TAIWAN )

AND

CITRIC ACID AND ) Investigation Nos.:
CERTAIN CITRATE SALTS ) 701-TA-581 and FROM
BELGIUM, COLOMBIA, ) 731-TA-1374-1376
AND THAILAND ) (Preliminary)

Friday, July 14, 2016
Main Hearing Room (Room 101)
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Washington, D.C.

The meeting, commenced, pursuant to notice, at
11:00 a.m., before the Commissioners of the United States
International Trade Commission, Chairman Rhonda K.
Schmidtlein, presiding.
APPEARANCES:

On behalf of the International Trade Commission:

Commissioners:

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PROCEEDINGS

(11:00 a.m.)

CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Good morning. This meeting of the U.S. International Trade Commission will now come to order. Welcome to Vice Chairman Johanson and Commissioner Broadbent who are participating by telephone.

COMMISSIONER BROADBENT: Hello.

VICE CHAIRMAN JOHANSON: Good morning.

CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Good morning. 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 in the preliminary phase of Investigation Numbers 701-TA-579-580 and 731-TA-1369-1372 concerning imports of Fine Denier Polyester Staple Fiber from China, India, Korea, and Taiwan.

I want to note that this agenda item has been modified since the Sunshine Act notice for this meeting. Late yesterday the Commission received from the Department of Commerce a signed notice indicating that Commerce had terminated its investigation of Fine Denier Polyester Staple Fiber from Vietnam. This notice has been placed on the Commission's record. Because these imports are no longer subject to investigation, the Commission will not be voting on them today.
Welcome to Ms. Haines and the staff who participated in these investigations. Are there any questions for the staff?
(No response.)
CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Are there any additions or corrections to the staff report?
MS. HAINES: Elizabeth Haines, revisions are contained in memo INV-PP-093.
CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Is there any objection to approval of the staff report as revised?
(No response.)
CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Hearing none, it is approved. Madam Secretary, will you please call the roll?
MS. BELLAMY: Commissioner Broadbent?
COMMISSIONER BROADBENT: I vote in the affirmative with respect to China, India, Korea and Taiwan.
MS. BELLAMY: Commissioner Williamson?
COMMISSIONER WILLIAMSON: I vote in the affirmative.
MS. BELLAMY: Commissioner Schmidtlein?
COMMISSIONER SCHMIDTLEIN: I vote in the affirmative.
MS. BELLAMY: Commissioner Johanson?
COMMISSIONER JOHANSON: I vote in the affirmative.
MS. BELLAMY: Madam Chairman, the Commission has reached an affirmative determination in these investigations.

CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Thank you Madam Secretary. Further information regarding these determinations will be in the press release. Views of the Commission currently are scheduled to be completed and filed by July 24th, 2017.

Thank you again to all the staff who participated in these investigations. We will now pause for a moment while we change staff for the next vote.

(Pause.)

CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Next we turn to the vote in the preliminary phase of Investigation Numbers 701-TA-581 and 731-TA-1374-1376, concerning imports of Citric Acid and Certain Citrate Salts from Belgium, Colombia, and Thailand.

Welcome to Mr. Anderson and the staff who participated in these investigations. Are there any questions for the staff?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Are there any additions or corrections to the staff report?

MR. ANDERSON: Madam Chairman, Michael Anderson Office of Investigations. Revisions are contained in INV-PP-095.

CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Is there any objection to
approval of the staff report as revised?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Hearing none, it is approved. Madam Secretary, will you please call the roll?

MS. BELLAMY: Commissioner Williamson?

COMMISSIONER WILLIAMSON: I vote in the affirmative.

MS. BELLAMY: Commissioner Schmidtlein?

COMMISSIONER SCHMIDTLEIN: I vote in the affirmative.

MS. BELLAMY: Commissioner Broadbent?

COMMISSIONER BROADBENT: I vote in the affirmative.

MS. BELLAMY: Commissioner Johanson?

COMMISSIONER JOHANSON: I vote in the affirmative.

MS. BELLAMY: Madam Chairman, the Commission has reached an affirmative determination in these investigations.

CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Thank you Madam Secretary. Further information regarding these determinations will be in the press release. Views of the Commission currently are scheduled to be completed and filed by July 24th, 2017. Thank you again to all staff who participated in these investigations.
Seeing that there is no other business before the Commission, this meeting is adjourned.

(Whereupon, the meeting was adjourned at 11:05 a.m.)
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