THE UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

In the Matter of: ) Investigation Nos.:

GLASS CONTAINERS ) 701-TA-630 and 731-TA-1462

FROM CHINA ) (Preliminary)

AND )

VERTICAL METAL ) Investigation Nos.:

FILE CABINETS ) 701-TA-623 and 731-TA-1449

FROM CHINA ) (Final)


Friday, November 8, 2019
Main Hearing Room (Room 101)
U.S. International
Trade Commission
500 E Street, S.W.
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 David S. Johanson, presiding.
APPEARANCES:

On behalf of the International Trade Commission:

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SHARON BELLAMY, RECORDS MANAGEMENT SPECIALIST
(11:02 a.m.)

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

I understand that there are no agendas for future meetings or Outstanding Action Jackets to consider. Is there any objection to approval of the minutes of October 3rd, 8th, 11th, 15th, 17th, 21st, 24th, 29th, and 31st, 2019 or Ratification List 19-011?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN JOHANSON: Hearing none, they are approved.

Next we turn to the vote on the Preliminary Phase of Investigation Nos. 701-TA-630 and 731-TA-1462 concerning imports of Glass Containers from China.

Welcome to Ms. Haines and the staff who participated in these investigations.

Are there any questions for the staff?

(No response.)

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

MS. HAINES: Elizabeth Haines, revisions are contained in Memo INV-RR-118.
CHAIRMAN JOHANSON: Is there any objection to approval of the staff report as revised?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN JOHANSON: Hearing none, it is approved.

Mr. Secretary, will you please call the roll?

MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Kearns?

COMMISSIONER KEARNS: I vote in the affirmative.

MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Schmidtlein?

COMMISSIONER SCHMIDTLEIN: I vote in the affirmative.

MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Johanson?

COMMISSIONER JOHANSON: I vote in the affirmative.

MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Stayin?

COMMISSIONER STAYIN: I vote in the affirmative.

MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Karpel?

COMMISSIONER KARPEL: I vote in the affirmative.

Mr. Chairman, the Commission has reached affirmative determinations.

CHAIRMAN JOHANSON: Thank you, Mr. Secretary.

Further information concerning these determinations will be in the press release. Views of the Commission are currently scheduled to be completed and filed by November 19, 2019.

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

(Pause.)

CHAIRMAN JOHANSON: Next we turn to the vote on the Final Phase of Investigation Nos. 701-TA-623 and 731-TA-1449, concerning imports of Vertical Metal File Cabinets from China.

Welcome again to Ms. Haines and the staff who participated in these investigations.

Are there any questions for the staff?

(No response.)

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

MS. HAINES: Elizabeth Haines, revisions are in memo INV-RR-119.

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

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN JOHANSON: Hearing none, it is approved.

Mr. Secretary, will you please call the roll?

MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Karpel?

COMMISSIONER KARPEL: I vote in the affirmative.

MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Kearns?

COMMISSIONER KEARNS: I vote in the affirmative.
MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Stayin?

COMMISSIONER STAYIN: I vote in the affirmative.

MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Johanson?

COMMISSIONER JOHANSON: I vote in the affirmative.

MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Schmidtlein?

COMMISSIONER SCHMIDTLEIN: I vote in the affirmative.

MR. BISHOP: Mr. Chairman, the Commission has reached affirmative determinations.

CHAIRMAN JOHANSON: Thank you, Mr. Secretary. Further information concerning these determinations will be in the press release. Views of the Commission are currently scheduled to be completed and filed by December 9, 2019.

Thank you to all staff who participated in these investigations. Seeing that there is no other business before the Commission, this meeting is adjourned.

(Whereupon, at 11:06 a.m., Friday, November 8, 2019, the meeting of the Commissioners of the United States International Trade Commission was adjourned.)
CERTIFICATE OF REPORTER

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AND
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