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RE: PRELIMINARY DETERMINATIONS IN THE ANTIDUMPING DUTY INVESTIGATIONS OF CERTAIN FORGED STAINLESS STEEL FLANGES FROM INDIA AND TAIWAN (A 533-809) (A583-821)

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TO: REGIONAL DIRECTORS, COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS
DISTRICT DIRECTORS, AREA AND PORT DIRECTORS

FROM: DIRECTOR, IMPORT SPECIALIST DIVISION

RE: PRELIMINARY DETERMINATIONS IN THE ANTIDUMPING DUTY INVESTIGATIONS OF CERTAIN FORGED STAINLESS STEEL FLANGES FROM INDIA AND TAIWAN (A 533-809) (A583-821)

1. THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE HAS PUBLISHED IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER ON AUGUST 5, 1993, THE NOTICE OF THE PRELIMINARY DETERMINATIONS THAT CERTAIN FORGED STAINLESS STEEL FLANGES FROM INDIA AND TAIWAN ARE BEING SOLD IN THE UNITED STATES AT LESS THAN FAIR VALUE.

2. THE PRODUCTS COVERED BY THESE INVESTIGATIONS ARE CERTAIN FORGED STAINLESS STEEL FLANGES BOTH FINISHED AND NOT-FINISHED,

GENERALLY MANUFACTURED TO SPECIFICATION ASTM A-182, AND MADE IN ALLOYS SUCH AS 304, 304L, 316, AND 316L. THE SCOPE INCLUDES FIVE GENERAL TYPES OF FLANGES. THEY ARE WELD NECK, USED FOR BUTT-WELD LINE CONNECTIONS, THREADED, USED FOR THREADED LINE CONNECTIONS, SLIP-ON & LAP JOINT, USED WITH STUB ENDS/BUTT-WELD LINE CONNECTIONS, SOCKET WELD, USED TO FIT PIPE INTO A MACHINED RECESSION, AND BLIND, USED TO SEAL OFF A LINE. THE SIZES OF THE FLANGES WITHIN THE SCOPE RANGE GENERALLY FROM ONE TO SIX INCHES: HOWEVER ALL SIZES OF THE ABOVE-DESCRIBED MERCHANDISE ARE INCLUDED IN THE SCOPE. SPECIFICALLY EXCLUDED FROM THE SCOPE OF THESE INVESTIGATIONS ARE CAST STAINLESS STEEL FLANGES. CAST STAINLESS STEEL FLANGES GENERALLY ARE MANUFACTURED TO SPECIFICATION ASTM A-351. THE FLANGES SUBJECT TO THESE INVESTIGATIONS ARE CURRENTLY CLASSIFIABLE UNDER SUBHEADING 7307.21.1000 AND 7307.21.5000 OF THE HARMONIZED TARIFF SCHEDULE OF THE UNITED STATES (HTSUS). THE HTSUS SUBHEADINGS ARE PROVIDED FOR CONVENIENCE AND CUSTOMS PURPOSES. THE WRITTEN DESCRIPTION OF THE SCOPE OF THESE INVESTIGATIONS REMAINS DISPOSITIVE.

3. FOR FURTHER REPORTING PURPOSES THESE CASES HAVE BEEN ASSIGNED INVESTIGATION NUMBERS A-533-809 (INDIA) AND A-583-821 (TAIWAN).

4. THE DEPARTMENT HAS DETERMINED THAT CRITICAL CIRCUMSTANCES EXIST WITH RESPECT TO IMPORTS OF CERTAIN FORGED STAINLESS STEEL FLANGES MADE BY ALL EXPORTERS FROM TAIWAN, EXCEPT TA CHEN STAINLESS PIPE CO., LTD. THEREFORE, FOR ALL IMPORTS OF CERTAIN STAINLESS STEEL FLANGES FROM TAIWAN, EXCEPT FOR EXPORTS BY TA CHEN STAINLESS PIPE CO., LTD., THE U.S. CUSTOMS SERVICE SHALL SUSPEND LIQUIDATION OF SUCH MERCHANDISE THAT IS ENTERED, OR WITHDRAWN FROM WAREHOUSE, FOR CONSUMPTION ON OR AFTER MAY 7, 1993, WHICH IS 90 DAYS PRIOR TO THE DATE OF PUBLICATION OF THE PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER (AUGUST 5, 1993), AND SHALL REQUIRE A CASH DEPOSIT OR POSTING OF A BOND EQUAL TO THE ESTIMATED PRELIMINARY MARGIN PERCENTAGES LISTED BELOW.

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EXPORTER	MARGIN PERCENTAGE	
ENLIN STEEL CORP.	A-583-821-001	48.00%
TAY PRECISION INDUSTRIES CO., LTD.	A-583-821-002	48.00%
TA CHEN STAINLESS STEEL PIPE	A-583-821-003	EXCLUDED
ALL OTHERS	A-583-821-000	48.00%

5. THE DEPARTMENT HAS DETERMINED THAT CRITICAL CIRCUMSTANCES EXIST WITH RESPECT TO IMPORTS OF CERTAIN FORGED STAINLESS STEEL FLANGES MADE BY THE FOLLOWING FOUR COMPANIES FROM INDIA: MUKAND LTD., SUNSTAR METALS LTD., BOMBAY FORGING PVT. LTD., AND DYNAFORGE. THEREFORE, FOR ALL IMPORTS OF CERTAIN STAINLESS STEEL FLANGES FROM INDIA MADE BY MUKAND LTD., SUNSTAR METALS LTD., BOMBAY FORGINGS PVT. LTD., AND DYNAFORGE, THE CUSTOMS SERVICE SHALL SUSPEND LIQUIDATION OF SUCH MERCHANDISE THAT IS ENTERED, OR WITHDRAWN FROM WAREHOUSE, FOR CONSUMPTION ON OR AFTER MAY 5, 1993, WHICH IS 90 DAYS PRIOR TO THE DATE OF PUBLICATION OF THE PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER (AUGUST 5, 1993), AND SHALL REQUIRE A CASH DEPOSIT OR POSTING OF A BOND EQUAL TO THE ESTIMATED PRELIMINARY MARGIN PERCENTAGES LISTED BELOW.

BECAUSE THE DEPARTMENT DETERMINED THAT CRITICAL CIRCUMSTANCES DO

NOT EXIST WITH RESPECT TO IMPORTS OF CERTAIN FORGED STAINLESS STEEL FLANGES FROM AKAI IMPEX LTD. AND ALL OTHER INDIAN EXPORTERS, THE CUSTOMS SERVICE SHALL SUSPEND LIQUIDATION OF SUCH MERCHANDISE THAT IS ENTERED, OR WITHDRAWN FROM WAREHOUSE, FOR CONSUMPTION ON OR AFTER AUGUST 5, 1993, AND SHALL REQUIRE A CASH DEPOSIT OR POSTING OF A BOND EQUAL TO THE ESTIMATED PRELIMINARY MARGIN PERCENTAGES LISTED BELOW FOR AKAI IMPEX LTD. AND ALL OTHER INDIAN EXPORTERS.

EXPORTER		MARGIN PERCENTAGE
AKAI IMPEX PVTR. LTD.	A-533-809-001	75.76%
MUKAND LTD.	A-533-809-002	210.00%
SUNSTAR METALS LTD.	A-533-809-003	210.00%
BOMBAY FORGING PVT. LTD.	A-533-809-004	210.00%
DYNAFORGE	A-533-809-005	210.00%
ALL OTHERS	A-533-809-000	183.15%

6. IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS MATTER BY CUSTOMS OFFICERS, THEY SHOULD BE REFERRED TO THE IMPORT SPECIALIST DIVISION, OTHER AGENCY BRANCH, CUSTOMS HEADQUARTERS VIA E-MAIL ATTRIBUTE "HQ OAB". THE IMPORTING PUBLIC AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES SHOULD CONTACT JIM TERPSTRA OF THE OFFICE OF ANTIDUMPING INVESTIGATIONS, IMPORT ADMINISTRATION, INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, TELEPHONE (202) 482-3965.

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Company Details

*Party Indicator Value:

I = Importer, M = Manufacturer, E = Exporter, S = Sold To Party