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TO: { Directors Of Field Operations, Port Directors }

FROM: { Director AD/CVD & Revenue Policy & Programs }

RE: PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION OF SALES AT LESS THAN FAIR VALUE: PURE
MAGNESIUM FROM THE PRC (A-570-832)

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

FROM: DIRECTOR, TRADE COMPLIANCE DIVISION

RE: PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION OF SALES AT LESS THAN FAIR
VALUE: PURE MAGNESIUM FROM THE PRC (A-570-832)

1. THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PUBLISHED IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER
ON NOVEMBER 07, 1994, ITS PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION OF SALES AT
LESS THAN FAIR VALUE IN THE ANTIDUMPING DUTY INVESTIGATION OF
PURE MAGNESIUM FROM THE PRC.

2. THE PRODUCT COVERED BY THIS INVESTIGATION IS PURE PRIMARY
MAGNESIUM REGARDLESS OF CHEMISTRY, FORM OR SIZE, UNLESS EXPRESSLY
EXCLUDED FROM THE SCOPE OF THIS INVESTIGATION. PURE PRIMARY
MAGNESIUM IS A METAL OR ALLOY CONTAINING BY WEIGHT PRIMARILY THE

ELEMENT MAGNESIUM AND PRODUCED BY DECOMPOSING RAW MATERIALS INTO
MAGNESIUM METAL.

PURE PRIMARY MAGNESIUM ENCOMPASSES ALL PRODUCTS THAT CONTAIN AT LEAST 99.95% PRIMARY MAGNESIUM, BY WEIGHT (GENERALLY REFERED TO AS "ULTRA-PURE" MAGNESIUM), AS WELL AS PRODUCTS CONTAINING LESS THAN 99.95% BUT NOT LESS THAN 99.8% PRIMARY MAGNESIUM, BY WEIGHT (GENERALLY REFERED TO AS "PURE" MAGNESIUM). PRODUCTS THAT HAVE THE AFORE-MENTIONED PRIMARY MAGNESIUM CONTENT, BUT DO NOT CONFORM TO ASTM SPECIFICATIONS OR OTHER INDUSTRY OR CUSTOMER-SPECIFIC SPECIFICATIONS, ARE INCLUDED IN THE SCOPE OF THIS INVESTIGATION./ PURE PRIMARY MAGNESIUM IS CAST AND SOLD IN VARIOUS PHYSICAL FORMS AND SIZES, INCLUDING INGOTS, SLABS, ROUNDS, BILLETS, AND OTHER SHAPES.

EXCLUDED FROM THE SCOPE OF THIS INVESTIGATION ARE PRIMARY MAGNESIUM ANODES, GRANULAR PRIMARY MAGNESIUM (INCLUDING TURNINGS AND POWDER), AND SECONDARY MAGNESIUM.

GRANULAR MAGNESIUM, TURNINGS, AND POWDER ARE CLASSIFIABLE UNDER THE HTSUS SUBHEADING 8104.30.00. MAGNESIUM GRANULES AND TURNINGS(ALSO REFERRED TO AS CHIPS) ARE PRODUCED BY GRINDING AND/OR CRUSHING PRIMARY MAGNESIUM AND THUS HAVE THE SAME CHEMISTRY AS PRIMARY MAGNESIUM. ALTHOUGH NOT SUSCEPTIBLE TO PRECISE MEASUREMENT BECAUSE OF THEIR IRREGULAR SHAPES, TURNINGS OR CHIPS ARE TYPICALLY PRODUCED IN COARSE SHAPES AND HAVE A MAXIMUM LENGTH OF LESS THAN 1 INCH. ALTHOUGH SOMETIMES PRODUCED IN LARGER SIZES, GRANULES ARE MORE REGULARLY SHAPED THAN TURNING OR CHIPS, AND HAVE A TYPICAL SIZE OF 2MM IN DIAMETER OR SMALLER.

POWDERS ARE ALSO PRODUCED FROM GRINDING AND/OR CRUSHING PRIMARY MAGNESIUM AND HAVE THE SAME CHEMISTRY AS PRIMARY MAGNESIUM, BUT ARE EVEN SMALLER THAN GRANULES OR TURNINGS.

POWDERS ARE DEFINED BY THE SECTION NOTES TO SECTION XV, THE SECTION OF THE HTSUS IN WHICH SUBHEADING 8104.30.00 APPEARS, AS PRODUCTS OF WHICH 90% OR MORE, BY WEIGHT, WILL PASS THROUGH A SIEVE HAVING A MESH APERATURE OF 1MM. (SEE, HTSUS, SECTION XV, BASE METALS AND ARTICLES OF BASE METALS, NOTE 6(B).) ACCORDINGLY, THE EXCLUSION OF MAGNSIUM TURNINGS, GRANULES, AND POWDER FROM THE SCOPE INCLUDES PRODUCTS HAVING A MAXIMUM PHYSICAL DIMENSION OF 1 INCH OR LESS.

THE PRODUCT SUBJECT TO THIS INVESTIGATION IS CLASSIFIABLE UNDER SUBHEADINGS 8104.11.00 AND 8104.20.00 OF THE HTSUS. ALTHOUGH THE HTSUS SUBHEADINGS ARE PROVIDED FOR CONVENIENCE AND CUSTOMS PURPOSES, THE WRITTEN DESCRIPTION OF THE SCOPE IS DISPOSITIVE.

3. FOR FURTHER REPOSTING PURPOSES, THIS CASE HAS BEEN ASSIGNED THE FOLLOWING CASE NUMBER: (A-570-832).

4. THE U.S. CUSTOMS SERVICE SHALL SUSPEND LIQUIDATION OF ALL ENTRY SUMMARIES OF PURE MAGNESIUM FROM THE PRC THAT ARE ENTERED OR WITHDRAWN FROM WAREHOUSE FOR CONSUMPTION ON OR AFTER NOVEMBER 07, 1994. CUSTOMS SHALL REQUIRE A CASH DEPOSIT OR BOND FOR SUCH ENTRY SUMMARIES OF THE SUBJECT MERCHANDISE ACCORDING TO THE FOLLOWING SCHEDULE:

MANUFACTURER

	CUSTOMS ID	MARGIN
EXPORTER	NUMBER	PERCENTAGE
ALL	A-570-832-000	108.26%

5. ANY QUESTIONS BY CUSTOMS OFFICERS SHOULD BE DIRECTED VIA

E-MAIL, THROUGH THE REGIONAL AD/CVD COORDINATOR, TRADE COMPLIANCE DIVISION, AD/CVD BRANCH, USING ATTRIBUTE "HQ OAB". OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES SHOULD CONTACT DAVID J. GOLDBERGER OR LOUIS APPLE, OFFICE OF ANTIDUMPING INVESTIGATIONS, IMPORT ADMINISTRATION, INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, TELEPHONE (202) 482-4136 OR (202) 482-1769, RESPECTIVELY.

6. THERE ARE NO RESTRICTIONS ON THE RELEASE OF THIS INFORMATION.

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*Party Indicator Value:

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