

GENERAL NOTICE

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION COMMISSION OF SOUTH AFRICA

TERMINATION OF INVESTIGATION INTO THE ALLEGED DUMPING OF STAINLESS STEEL TUBES AND PIPES ORIGINATING IN OR IMPORTED FROM CHINESE TAIPEI

On 10 June 2005, the Commission formally initiated an investigation into the alleged dumping of stainless steel tubes and pipes originating in or imported from Chinese Taipei. Notice of the initiation of the investigation was published in Notice No. 890 of *Government Gazette* No. 27641 dated 10 June 2005.

The application was lodged on behalf of the South African Customs Union (SACU) industry by Barloworld Stainless, claiming that the dumped imports from Chinese Taipei were causing it material injury. Barloworld Stainless is the producer of the subject product in the SACU. Other SACU producers as supplied by the South African Stainless Steel Development Association (SASSDA) provided support for the application.

The investigation was initiated after the Commission considered that there was *prima facie* evidence to show that the subject product was being imported at dumped prices, causing material injury to the SACU industry.

On initiation of the investigation, the known producers and exporters of the subject products in Chinese Taipei were sent foreign manufacturers/exporters questionnaires to complete. Importers of the subject product were also sent questionnaires to complete.

On 05 August 2005, the Commission, made a preliminary determination that the subject products were not being dumped on the SACU market. The Commission, therefore, made a preliminary determination to recommend to the Minister of Trade and Industry that the investigation into the alleged dumping of stainless steel tubes and pipes originating in or imported from Chinese Taipei, be terminated.

The Commission's detailed reasons for its decision are set out in Commission Report No.159 (preliminary report).

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