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The International Trade Administration Commission of South Africa herewith presents its Report No. 320: TERMINATION OF THE ANTI-DUMPING DUTIES ON ACRYLIC FABRICS ORIGINATING IN OR IMPORTED FROM TURKEY

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1. In accordance with the provisions of Article 11.3 of the World Trade Organisation Agreement on the Implementation of Article VI of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, any definitive anti-dumping duty shall be terminated on a date not later than five years from the date of imposition, unless the authorities determine, in a review initiated before that date on their own initiative or upon a duly substantiated request made by or on behalf of the domestic industry within a reasonable period of time prior to that date, that the expiry of the duty would likely lead to the continuation or recurrence of dumping and injury.

2. On 25 January 2008, ITAC published a notice in the Government Gazette indicating that the anti-dumping duties imposed on 10 November 2004 on acrylic fabrics originating in or imported from Turkey would expire on 10 November 2009, unless a substantiated request is made indicating that the expiry of the anti-dumping duties would likely result in the recurrence of injurious dumping.

3. The trade representative of Turkey was notified and provided with a copy of the Government Gazette notice.

4. All known manufacturers of the subject product in the SACU, as well as their representative associations were notified and informed that, unless a
request to review the anti-dumping duties was made by or on behalf of the domestic industry before 10 May 2009, the Commission would recommend to the Minister of Trade and Industry that the duties be terminated at the five year expiry date of the duties.

5. On 5 May 2009, the Textile Federation requested and was granted an extension to submit its petition. On 11 May 2009, a response to the Commission’s sunset review questionnaire was received from the Textile Federation, on behalf of the domestic manufacturer and original applicant, Aranda Textiles, in their view indicating that the expiry of the anti-dumping duties on acrylic fabrics originating in or imported from Turkey would likely lead to the continuation or recurrence of dumping and injury.

6. However, the Commission at its meeting of 13 October 2009 found that the Applicant did not submit prima facie evidence to indicate that the expiry of the anti-dumping duties would likely lead to the continuation or recurrence of dumping as the information submitted and at the Commission’s disposal does not demonstrate the existence of dumping of acrylic fabrics from Turkey.

RECOMMENDATION

The Commission therefore recommends that the anti-dumping duties on acrylic fabrics originating in or imported from Turkey be withdrawn at the five year expiry date of the duty, which is 10 November 2009.