

Report No. 224

Termination of the countervailing duties on galvanized steel pipe and tube originating in or imported from India

The International Trade Administration Commission of South Africa herewith presents its Report No. 224: TERMINATION OF THE COUNTERVAILING DUTY ON GALVANIZED STEEL PIPE AND TUBE ORIGINATING IN OR IMPORTED FROM INDIA.



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TERMINATION OF THE COUNTERVAILING DUTY ON GALVANIZED STEEL PIPE AND TUBE ORIGINATING IN OR IMPORTED FROM INDIA

1. In accordance with the provisions of Article 21.3 of the World Trade Organisation Agreement on the Implementation of Article VI of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, any definitive countervailing 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 be likely to lead to the continuation or recurrence of subsidization and injury.
2. On 26 May 2006, the Commission notified all interested parties, through Notice No. 673 of Government Gazette No. 28847, that unless a request is made by or on behalf of the SACU industry for the duty to be reviewed prior to the expiry thereof, the countervailing duty applicable to galvanized steel pipe and tube originating in or imported from India, would expire on 14 June 2007.
3. The trade representatives of the country involved were notified and provided with a copy of the Government Gazette notice.
4. The Association of Steel Tube and Pipe Manufacturers of South Africa submitted its response citing that the relevant countervailing duties should be terminated as the specific subsidy has been revoked.

RECOMMENDATION

5. In light of the foregoing the Commission decided to recommend that the countervailing duty on galvanized steel pipe and tube, originating in or imported from India be withdrawn with effect from the date of the five-year expiry of the duty, that is 14 June 2007.