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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 be likely to lead to the continuation or recurrence of dumping and injury.

2. On 30 May 2003, the Commission notified all interested parties, through Notice No. 1560 of Government Gazette No. 24893, 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 anti-dumping duties applicable to disposable hypodermic needles and syringes originating in or imported from Belgium, Germany, Ireland and Spain, will expire on 12 March 2004.

3. The trade representatives of the countries involved were notified and provided with a copy of the Government Gazette notice.

4. All known manufacturers were invited to submit information indicating that the expiry of the anti-dumping duties is likely to lead to the continuation or recurrence of dumping and injury. International Trade Services (ITS), on behalf of New Promex Corporation (Promex), indicated its intention to submit information in this regard.
5. Known interested parties were also informed that should a request be submitted before 30 June 2003, duly substantiating information, as per the Commission’s Applicant Sunset Review Questionnaire, should be submitted to the Commission by 12 September 2003.

6. On 25 February 2004, the Commission considered the information submitted by Promex and found that the industry did not provide *prima facie* information, in the form of normal value, to indicate that the expiry of the duties are likely to lead to the continuation or recurrence of dumping.

RECOMMENDATION:

7. The Commission therefore, decided to recommend to the Minister of Trade and Industry that the anti-dumping duties on disposable hypodermic needles and syringes, originating in or imported from Belgium, Germany, Ireland and Spain be withdrawn on the date of the five year expiry of the duty, that is 12 March 2004.