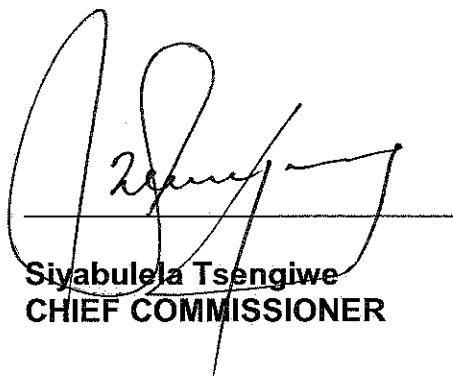


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The International Trade Administration Commission of South Africa
herewith presents its Report No. 339: TERMINATION OF THE ANTI-
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SUNSET REVIEW OF THE ANTI-DUMPING DUTIES ON ACRYLIC BLANKETS ORIGINATING IN OR IMPORTED FROM TURKEY

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 material injury.
2. On 26 June 2009, ITAC published a notice in the Government Gazette indicating that the anti-dumping duties imposed on 15 July 2005 on acrylic blankets originating in or imported from Turkey would expire on 14 July 2010, 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 products in the SACU, as well as their representative associations, were notified and informed that,

unless such request to review the anti-dumping duties was made by or on behalf of the SACU industry by 14 December 2009 for acrylic blankets against PRC and 14 January 2010 for acrylic blankets against Turkey, 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 23 October 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. It alleged that the expiry of the anti-dumping duties on acrylic blankets originating in or imported from the People's Republic of China and Turkey would likely lead to the continuation or recurrence of dumping and material injury.

Based on the information at its disposal, the Commission at its meeting of 11 May 2010 decided to:

- initiate a sunset review investigation against PRC for acrylic blankets classifiable under tariff headings 6304.10 and 6301.90.
- initiate a sunset review investigation against Turkey for acrylic blankets classifiable under tariff heading 6301.40 only.

As far as tariff heading 6301.90 is concerned, pertaining to acrylic blankets originating in or imported from Turkey, the Commission did not find any *prima facie* evidence that the expiry of the anti-dumping duties is likely to lead to the continuation or recurrence of dumping.

RECOMMENDATION

The Commission therefore decided to recommend to the Minister of Trade and Industry that the anti-dumping duties on acrylic blankets classifiable under tariff heading 6301.90 originating in or imported from Turkey be withdrawn on the five year expiry date of the duty, which is 15 July 2010.