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The International Trade Administration Commission of South Africa herewith presents its Report No. 295: TERMINATION OF THE ANTI-DUMPING DUTIES ON UNCOATED WOODFREE PAPER IN REELS AND/OR SHEETS ORIGINATING IN OR IMPORTED FROM BRAZIL AND POLAND

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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 22 August 2008, the International Trade Administration Commission of South Africa (the Commission) notified the interested parties through Notice No. 995 of 2008 in *Government Gazette* No. 31341, that unless a substantiated request is made indicating that the expiry of the anti-dumping duties against imports of uncoated woodfree paper imported from the Federative Republic of Brazil and from Poland, would likely lead to the continuation or recurrence of dumping and injury, the anti-dumping duties on uncoated woodfree paper originating in or imported from the Federative Republic of Brazil and from Poland will expire on 19 February 2009.

- 3. The trade representatives of the countries involved were 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 30 September 2008, 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 14 October 2008, a response to the Commission's sunset review questionnaire was received from the Paper Manufacturers Association of South Africa (PAMSA), on behalf of its members, Sappi Fine Paper South Africa (SAPPI) and Mondi South Africa Limited, indicating that the expiry of the anti-dumping duties on uncoated woodfree paper originating in or imported from Brazil and from Poland would likely lead to the continuation or recurrence of dumping and injury.
- 6. However, on 09 December 2008, a request was received from PAMSA that their application not be proceeded with and that they wished to withdraw their application that the anti-dumping duties on uncoated woodfree paper in reels and/or sheets originating in or imported from the Federative Republic of Brazil and Poland be renewed.

RECOMMENDATION

The Commission therefore recommends that the anti-dumping duties on uncoated woodfree paper in reels and/or sheets originating in or imported from the Federative Republic of Brazil and from Poland be withdrawn at the five year expiry date of the duty, which is 19 February 2009.