

Report No. 90

Sunset review of the anti-dumping duties on sutures originating in or imported from Germany



The International Trade Administration Commission of South Africa herewith presents its Report No. 90: SUNSET REVIEW OF THE ANTI- DUMPING DUTIES ON SUTURES ORIGINATING IN OR IMPORTED FROM GERMANY

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- 1. In accordance with the provisions in Article 11.3 of the World Trade Organisation Agreement on 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 continuation or recurrence of dumping and injury.
- 2. On 28 May 2004, the International Trade Administration Commission (the Commission) notified all interested parties, through Notice No. 947 of Government Gazette No. 26374, that unless a request was made by or on behalf of the domestic industry for the duty to be reviewed prior to the expiry thereof, the anti-dumping duties on surgical sutures, originating in or imported from Germany, would expire on 12 May 2005.
- 3. The trade representatives of the countries involved were notified and provided with a copy of the notice, which was published in the Government Gazette.
- 4. All known manufacturers of the subject products in the SACU, as well as the representative organisations 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 12 November 2004, the Commission would recommend to the Minister of Trade and Industry that the duties be terminated on the date of expiry during 2005.
- 5. Known interested parties were also informed that should a request be submitted before 12 November 2004, duly substantiating information, as per the

Commission's Petition Review Questionnaire, should be submitted to the Commission by a certain date.

- 6. A request for the Commission to consider the initiation of a review in respect of sutures was received within the specified time period from Tyco Healthcare (Pty) Ltd, a manufacturer of sutures. However, no substantiating information was received on the specified date for submission.
- 7. In accordance with the procedures set out in Notice No. 947 of *Government Gazette* No. 26374, the anti-dumping duties on sutures, originating in or imported from Germany, should therefore be terminated.

RECOMMENDATION

8. The Commission, therefore, decided to recommend to the Minister of Trade and Industry that the anti-dumping duties on sutures, be withdrawn on the date of the five year expiry of the duty, that is 12 May 2005.