

# UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

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The Commission meeting commenced, pursuant to notice, at 11:00 a.m., before the Commissioners of the United States International Trade Commission, the Honorable DANIEL R. PEARSON, Chairman, presiding.

## APPEARANCES:

On behalf of the International Trade Commission:Commissioners:

DANIEL R. PEARSON, CHAIRMAN (presiding)  
 SHARA L. ARANOFF, VICE CHAIRMAN  
 JENNIFER A. HILLMAN, COMMISSIONER  
 STEPHEN KOPLAN, COMMISSIONER  
 DEANNA TANNER OKUN, COMMISSIONER  
 CHARLOTTE R. LANE, COMMISSIONER

MARILYN R. ABBOTT, SECRETARY TO THE COMMISSION  
 BILL BISHOP, HEARINGS AND MEETINGS COORDINATOR

APPEARANCES: (Cont'd.)

Staff:

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P R O C E E D I N G S

(11:00 a.m.)

CHAIRMAN PEARSON: Good morning. This meeting of the U.S. International Trade Commission will now come to order.

I would just like to extend a quick welcome to the audience today. It seems that there are some people who are interested in these proceedings.

I understand that there are no agendas for future meetings, outstanding action jackets, minutes, or ratification lists to consider.

Having dispensed with those, next we turn to the vote in Investigation Nos. AA1921-197; 701-TA-319, 320, 325-327, 348, and 350; and 731-TA-573, 574, 576, 578, 582-587, 612, and 614-618 (Second Review) (Certain Carbon Steel Products from Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Finland, France, Germany, Japan, Korea, Mexico, Poland, Romania, Spain, Sweden, Taiwan, and the United Kingdom).

Welcome to Mr. Corkran and the staff who participated in these investigations.

Are there any questions for the staff?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN PEARSON: Are there any additions or corrections to the staff report?

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1 MR. CORKRAN: Douglas Corkran, Office of  
2 Investigations. Thank you, Chairman Pearson. Staff  
3 proposes that the staff report on the subject reviews  
4 be revised in accordance with Memoranda INV. DD-162  
5 and 164 dated December 5 and December 13, 2006. The  
6 staff has no further revisions.

7 CHAIRMAN PEARSON: Is there any objection to  
8 approval of the staff report?

9 (No response.)

10 CHAIRMAN PEARSON: Hearing none, it is  
11 approved.

12 Madame Secretary, will you please call the  
13 roll?

14 MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Aranoff.

15 VICE CHAIRMAN ARANOFF: With respect to the  
16 orders on imports of cut-to-length carbon steel plate,  
17 I vote in the negative with respect to all countries.

18 With respect to the orders on imports of  
19 corrosion-resistant carbon steel flat products, I vote  
20 in the affirmative with respect to Germany and Korea,  
21 and I vote in the negative with respect to Australia,  
22 Canada, France, and Japan.

23 MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Lane.

24 COMMISSIONER LANE: I make an affirmative  
25 determination regarding corrosion-resistant steel. I

1 make a negative determination regarding cut-to-length  
2 plate.

3 MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Hillman.

4 COMMISSIONER HILLMAN: On cut-to-length  
5 plate, I make a negative determination with respect to  
6 all subject countries. On corrosion-resistant steel,  
7 I make an affirmative determination with respect to  
8 Germany and Korea and a negative determination with  
9 respect to Canada, France, Australia, and Japan.

10 MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Okun.

11 COMMISSIONER OKUN: With respect to cut-to-  
12 length plate, I vote in the negative for all subject  
13 countries. With respect to corrosion-resistant steel  
14 products, I vote in the affirmative with respect to  
15 Germany and Korea, and I vote in the negative with  
16 respect to all other subject countries.

17 MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Pearson.

18 CHAIRMAN PEARSON: With respect to cut-to-  
19 length plate, I vote in the negative for all subject  
20 countries. With respect to corrosion-resistant steel  
21 products, I vote in the affirmative with respect to  
22 Germany and Korea and in the negative with respect to  
23 all other countries.

24 MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Koplan.

25 COMMISSIONER KOPLAN: With respect to cut-

1 to-length plate, I vote in the negative. With respect  
2 to corrosion-resistant, I vote in the affirmative with  
3 respect to all countries.

4 MS. ABBOTT: Mr. Chairman, with respect to  
5 corrosion-resistant flat products, the Commission has  
6 made an affirmative determination regarding Germany  
7 and Korea. The Commission has made negative  
8 determinations in all other investigations.

9 CHAIRMAN PEARSON: Will you also announce  
10 the results in cut-to-length plate, please?

11 MS. ABBOTT: Oh, I'm sorry. Cut-to-length  
12 plate, all investigations are negative.

13 CHAIRMAN PEARSON: Thank you, Madame  
14 Secretary.

15 Further information regarding these  
16 determinations will be in the press release.  
17 Commissioners' opinions currently are scheduled to be  
18 transmitted to the Department of Commerce on or before  
19 January 17, 2006.

20 Thank you to all staff who participated in  
21 these investigations, and I mean a very sincere thank  
22 you. There has been a lot of work that's gone into  
23 this. I can speak on behalf of all Commissioners that  
24 we really do appreciate it.

25 Seeing that there is no other business to

1       come before the Commission -- I'm sorry. Mr. Corkran?

2                   MR. CORKRAN: The determination and views  
3 will be transmitted in 2007.

4                   CHAIRMAN PEARSON: And I misspoke, I take  
5 it? Thank you very much for that. You know, I  
6 misspoke because it's written incorrectly. See, we do  
7 have good staff. They catch a lot of these things.

8                   Okay. Finally, seeing that there is no  
9 other business to come before the Commission, this  
10 meeting is adjourned.

11                   (Whereupon, at 11:07 a.m., the Commission  
12 meeting was adjourned.)

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