NOTICE 1847 OF 2003

INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION COMMISSION OF SOUTH AFRICA

NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF ANTI-DUMPING DUTIES ON COLLARED HEXAGON NUTS, OF IRON OR STEEL ORIGINATING IN OR IMPORTED FROM AUSTRALIA, CHINESE TAIPEI AND THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA (PRC)

On 29 July 1999 the Board on Tariffs and Trade (the Board) recommended to the Minister of Trade and Industry that definitive anti-dumping duties be imposed on hexagon nuts of iron or steel (excluding dome nuts, nuts with non-metallic inserts, nuts of stainless steel and nuts identifiable for use solely or principally on aircraft), of a thread diameter of 6mm or more not exceeding 36mm (excluding self-locking nuts of a thread diameter exceeding 10mm). The following anti-dumping duties were imposed pursuant to Notice No. R.953 in *Government Gazette* No. 20358 of 06 August 1999:

Country .	Anti-dumping duties
Australia	137.8%
PRC	46%
Chinese Taipei	 23%

A request has now been received by the International Trade Administration Commission of South Africa (ITAC), from C&J Services, an importer of nuts that the anti-dumping duties on collared hexagon nuts, of iron or steel (subject product), classifiable under tariff subheading 7318.16.90, originating in or imported from Chinese Taipei, be withdrawn.

The importer indicated that these nuts are not manufactured in the Southern African Customs Union (SACU) and that no other nut can be used as a substitute for collared hexagon nuts.

PROCEDURAL FRAMEWORK

In order to obtain the information it deems necessary for its investigation, ITAC hereby invites comments on the proposed withdrawal of the duty. Comments and any other representations must be made within the time limit set out below.

Manufacturers of the subject product in the SACU are requested and urged to comment on whether the subject product is manufactured in the SACU as well as on the substitutability and interchangeability between the subject product and other products.

CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

Please note that if any information is considered to be confidential, then <u>a non-confidential version of the information must be submitted</u> for the public file, simultaneously with the confidential version. In submitting a non-confidential version the following rules are strictly applicable and parties must indicate:

- where confidential information has been omitted and the nature of such information;
- reasons for such confidentiality;
- a summary of the confidential information which permits a reasonable understanding of the substance of the confidential information; and
- in exceptional cases, where information is not susceptible to summary, reasons must be submitted to this effect.

This rule applies to all parties and to all correspondence with and submissions to ITAC, which unless indicated to be confidential and filed together with a non-confidential version, will be placed on the public file and be made available to other interested parties.

If a party considers that any document of another party, on which that party is submitting representations, does not comply with the above rules and that such deficiency affects that party's ability to make meaningful representations, the details of the deficiency and the reasons why that party's rights are so affected must be submitted to ITAC in writing

forthwith (and at the latest 14 days prior to the date on which that party's submission is due). Failure to do so timeously will seriously hamper the proper administration of the investigation, and such party will not be able to subsequently claim an inability to make meaningful representations on the basis of the failure of such other party to meet the requirements.

ADDRESS

All comments and information regarding this matter and any arguments concerning the investigation must be submitted in writing to the following address:

Physical address

The Director: Trade Remedies1 Room A 405 SABS BUILDINGS GROENKLOOF PRETORIA SOUTH AFRICA Postal address The Director: Trade Remedies 1 Private Bag X753 PRETORIA 0001 SOUTH AFRICA

PROCEDURES AND TIME LIMITS

All responses, including non-confidential copies of the responses, should be received by the Director: Trade Remedies 1 not later than 30 days from the date hereof.

Late submissions will not be accepted except with the prior written consent of ITAC. ITAC will give due consideration to written requests for an extension of not more than 14 days on good cause shown (properly motivated and substantiated), if received prior to the expiry of the original 30-day period. Merely citing insufficient time is not an acceptable reason for extension.

Oral representations to ITAC by any interested party may also be made on written request to ITAC at least seven days prior to the expiry date of the original 30 days period to respond and by prior arrangement with the Directorate. Such oral representations must be made within the same period as the written representations,

unless prior written consent of ITAC has been obtained for the oral representations to be made at a later date, which shall in any event not be later than 14 days after the written representations have been submitted. Oral representations will be limited to one hour for SACU manufacturers.

Enquiries may be directed to the investigating officers, Mr Ephraim Mogashoa at telephone (012) 428 7734 and Ms Regina Peta at (012) 428 7726, or at fax (012) 428 7736.