

NOTICE 2487 OF 2004
INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION COMMISSION
OF SOUTH AFRICA

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE TARIFF APPLICATIONS

LIST 16/2004

The International Trade Administration Commission of South Africa (ITAC) has received the following application concerning the Customs and Excise Tariff. Any objection to or comment on this representation should be submitted to the Chief Commissioner, ITAC, Private Bag X753, Pretoria, 0001, within six weeks of the date of this notice. Attention is drawn to the fact that the rate of duty mentioned in the application is that requested by the applicant and that the Commission may, depending on its findings, recommend a lower or higher rate of duty.

CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

Please note that if any information is considered to be confidential then a non-confidential version of the information must be submitted, 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;*
- ☐ *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 the

Commission, which unless indicated to be confidential and filed together with a non-confidential version, will 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 the commission 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.

INCREASE IN THE GENERAL RATE OF DUTY ON:

Welding neck and slip-on type flanges of stainless steel with an inside cross-sectional Dimension not exceeding 203.2mm, and stainless steel butt welding fittings, Classifiable under tariff subheadings 7307.21.90 and 7307.23.90 respectively, from free of duty to 10% ad valorem, respectively.

[ITAC Ref. T5/2/15/2/1(30/2003) Enquiries Mr. D Lombard, Tel. (012) 394-3687, Fax 012-394-0522]

APPLICANT

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Reason for application: The stainless steel flanges and stainless steel butt welding fittings market has been penetrated by imports from global players. This trend, especially from countries in the East has put pressure on the SACU manufacturer to reduce prices to meet the prices offered by the importers in order to retain its sales volumes. If this trend continue Steelmor will have to reduce production and eventually lay-off workers.

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