NOTICE 1580 OF 2005

INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION COMMISSION OF SOUTH AFRICA

TERMINATION OF THE INVESTIGATION INTO THE ALLEGED DUMPING OF UNFRAMED GLASS MIRRORS OF A THICKNESS OF 2MM TO 6MM ORIGINATING IN OR IMPORTED FROM CHINESE TAIPEI

On 18 May 2005, the International Trade Administration Commission of South Africa (Commission) formally initiated an investigation into the alleged dumping of unframed glass mirrors of a thickness of 2mm to 6mm originating in or imported from Chinese Taipei. Notice of the initiation of the investigation was published in Notice No.780 in *Government Gazette* No. 27599 dated 27 May 2005.

The investigation was initiated after the Commission considered an application by PFG Building Glass (Pty) Ltd (Applicant), alleging that unframed glass mirrors of a thickness of 2mm to 6mm originating in or imported from *inter alia* Chinese Taipei were imported into the Southern African Customs Union (SACU) at dumped prices and the Commission was satisfied that there was *prima* facie case of dumping, material injury and causal link.

Subsequent to initiation exporters questionnaires and importers questionnaires were sent to the various known interested parties for completion.

During the course of the investigation, the Commission received a letter from the Applicant requesting that the investigation against Chinese Taipei be terminated. The Applicant indicated in its letter that Taiwan Glass Ind. Corp, the biggest glass producer in Chinese Taipei has offered an undertaking that their mirrors will in future not be exported to SACU at prices below the ex-factory domestic prices in Chinese Taipei.

On 13 July 2005, the Commission considered the request and made a final determination to recommend to the Minister of Trade and Industry that the investigation into the alleged dumping of unframed glass mirrors of a thickness of 2mm to 6mm originating in or imported from Chinese Taipei, **be** terminated.

The Commission's detailed reasons for its decision are set out in Commission Report **No.129** (Final report).

Enquiries may be directed to the investigating *officers*, Mr Ephraim Mogashoa at telephone (012) 394 3595, Ms Regina Peta at (012) 394 3632 and Ms Portia Mphahlele at (012) 394 3630, or at fax (012) 395 0518.

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CUSTOMS AND EXCISE TARIFF APPLICATIONS

LIST 13/2005

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 <u>non-</u> <u>confidential version of the information must be submitted</u>, 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 exceptionul cases, where information is not susceptible to summary, reasons must he submitted to this effect.

This rule applies to all parties and to all correspondence with and submissions to the Cornmission, which unless indicated to be confidential and filed together with a non-confidential version, will he 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.

REDUCTION IN THE RATE OF CUSTOMS DUTY ON:

Complementary medicine classifiable under tariff subheading **2**106.90.90 with a rate of duty of 20 per cent <u>ad valorem</u> to free of duty through the creation of an additional 8-digit tariff subheading, which reads **as** follows: "Complementary medicine – isoflavone phyto estrogens"

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APPLICANT:

KCP Products (Pty) Ltd P O Box 41 Knysna 6570

<u>Reason for the application</u>: "There are no similar products available in South Africa or elsewhere in the world... Promensil and Rimostil are in the unique aglycone form and the ratio of the isoflavones and the strength differ in both products."

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