

NOTICE 1644 OF 2005**INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION COMMISSION OF SOUTH
AFRICA****REVIEW OF THE DESCRIPTION AND RATE OF THE CUSTOMS DUTY OF *TARIFF*
SUBHEADING 8708.99.40.**

The International Trade Administration Commission of South Africa (ITAC) intends to conduct the following investigation. Interested parties are called upon to comment on the investigation in writing and submit these to the Chief Commissioner, ITAC, Private Bag X753, Pretoria, 0001, within six weeks of the date of this notice.

REVIEW OF THE DESCRIPTION AND RATE OF CUSTOMS DUTY ON:

Track link assemblies, with or without shoes; track pins and bushes, and parts thereof classifiable under tariff subheading 8708.99.40. The investigation may result in a reduction in the rate of duty from 20% *ad valorem* to duty free.

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Reason for the investigation: The description and rate of duty relating to tariff subheading 8708.99.40 has remained unchanged for the past 70 years. The investigation intends to amend the description of the tariff subheading as the current wording relating to parts of pins and bushes is technically not correct. The scope of the existing tariff subheading may change. A review of the rate of duty intends to determine whether there is still a need for protection for the industry manufacturing track links and parts thereof.

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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.*

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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.