

ADC No. 48/2016/NTC/Rebars
National Tariff Commission
Government of Pakistan

Notice of Final Determination and Levy of Antidumping Duty on Dumped Imports of Deformed Concrete Reinforcing Steel Bars into Pakistan Originating in and/ or Exported from the People's Republic of China

National Tariff Commission (the "Commission") initiated an antidumping investigation on November 26, 2016 under Section 23 of the of the Anti-Dumping Duties Act, 2015 (the "Act") concerning dumping of deformed concrete reinforcing steel bars ("Rebars") from People's Republic of China ("China") into Pakistan and material injury caused by such dumped imports to the domestic industry manufacturing Rebars. The application for this investigation was lodged by M/s Amreli Steels Limited Karachi, M/s Agha Steel Industries, Ltd. Karachi and M/s Abbas Engineering Ltd. Karachi (the "Applicants"). The Applicants are producers of Rebars. The Commission made a preliminary determination in this investigation in terms of Section 37 of the Act on May 23, 2017. In accordance with the Act and the Anti-Dumping Duties Rules, 2001 (the "Rules"), the Commission has made its affirmative final determination as follows:-

Product under Investigation: The investigated product is deformed steel concrete reinforcing bars ("Rebar") in straight lengths, U-bends or coils. Such deformed steel concrete reinforcing bars are in various diameters upto and including 40 MM, in various finishes including indentation, ribs, groves or other deformations excluding plain round bars. It is falling under Pakistan Customs Tariff ("PCT") Heading Nos. 7214.2010, 7214.2090, 7214.3010, 7214.3090, 7214.9910, 7214.9990, 7215.1010, 7215.1090, 7215.5010, 7215.5090, 7215.9010, 7215.9090, 7228.2090, 7228.3090, 7228.1000, 7228.4000, 7228.5000, 7228.6000. Rebars are most commonly used to reinforce concrete and masonry structures.

Period of Investigation ("POI"):

For determination of dumping: From July 01, 2015 to June 30, 2016

For determination of injury: From July 01, 2013 to June 30, 2016

Determination of Dumping: The Commission has not received any information from any of the exporter/ foreign producer in this investigation. Therefore, dumping margin for all exporters of investigated product imported from China is determined on the basis of best information available in terms of Section 32 of the Act. The dumping margin expressed as percentage of weighted average adjusted export price works out 30.90 percent.

Injury to the Domestic Industry: Injury to the domestic industry has been determined in accordance with Part VI of the Act. The Commission has established that the domestic industry suffered material injury on account of volume of dumped imports, price undercutting, decline in market share, decline in productivity and magnitude of the dumping margin.

Imposition of Definitive Anti-dumping Duties: In reaching this final determination, the Commission is satisfied that the Rebar has been imported from China at dumped prices. The Commission is of the view that level of injury is adequate to justify imposition of definitive

antidumping duty. However, for the purpose of imposition of lesser duty in terms of Section 50(2) of the Act, the Commission has calculated injury margin to ascertain whether a lower duty would be adequate to remove injury being suffered by the domestic industry due to dumped imports of investigated product from China. Injury margin works out to 19.15 percent which is lower than the dumping margin determined at C&F level, which is 29.36%. Therefore, in terms of Section 50(2) of the Act, lesser duty would be adequate to remove injury to the domestic industry.

In terms of Section 50(2) of the Act, the Commission has imposed definitive antidumping duty @ 19.15 percent on dumped imports of the investigated product importable from China for a period of five years effective from October 23, 2017. The definitive antidumping duty rate is determined on C&F value in *ad val.* terms on imports of Rebars (PCT Heading Nos. 7214.2010, 7214.2090, 7214.3010, 7214.3090, 7214.9910, 7214.9990, 7215.1010, 7215.1090, 7215.5010, 7215.5090, 7215.9010, 7215.9090, 7228.2090, 7228.3090, 7228.1000, 7228.4000, 7228.5000, 7228.6000 from China. Further, in accordance with Section 51(1)(e) of the Act, antidumping duty will not be levied on imports of the investigated product that are solely used as input in products destined solely for exports and are covered under any scheme exempting customs duty for exports under the Customs Act, 1969.

Further Information: A non-confidential version of the report of final determination shall be placed on public file established and maintained by the Commission. It shall also be posted on the Commission's website: www.ntc.gov.pk

Authority under Law: This notice is published pursuant to Section 39 of the Act by order of the Commission.

(Ali Muhammad Shah)
Secretary
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