

**NO.15/6/2004-DGAD**  
**Ministry of Commerce & Industry**  
**(Department of Commerce)**  
**(DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF ANTI-DUMPING AND**  
**ALLIED DUTIES)**

**NOTIFICATION**

New Delhi, the 24th May, 2004

**Initiation (Mid Term Review)**

**Subject:** Initiation of Mid term Review regarding anti-dumping duty imposed on imports of certain seamless grade alloy and non alloy steel billets, bars and rounds from Russia, China and Ukraine.

**No. 15/6/2004-DGAD** - The Designated Authority having regard to the Customs Tariff Act, 1975 as amended in 1995 and the Customs Tariff (Identification, Assessment and Collection of Duty or Additional Duty on Dumped Articles and for Determination of Injury) Rules, 1995 recommended imposition of provisional Anti Dumping duty on imports of certain seamless grade alloy and non alloy steel billets, bars and rounds (hereinafter referred to as subject goods) originating in or exported from Russia, China and Ukraine (hereinafter referred to as subject countries) falling under Sub-heading 7206.90, 7207.19 and 7207.20 and the findings were published vide Notification no. 31/1/99 dated 1st December, 2000. The Designated Authority came out with final findings on 1st June, 2001 and definitive anti dumping duty was imposed by Customs on 26th June, 2001.

**1. Product Under Consideration**

Product under consideration is certain seamless grade alloy and non alloy steel billets, bars and rounds having 70 mm – 250 mm dia conforming to IS specification or any other international specification which is classified under sub-head 7206.90, 7207.19 and 7207.20 of Schedule I of the Customs Tariff Act, 1975 The Classification is, however, indicative only and is in no way binding on the scope of the present investigations.

**2. Initiation**

The Customs Tariff (Amendment) Act 1995 and the Rules made there under require the Authority to review, from time to time, the need for continuance of Anti Dumping Duty. The Designated Authority issued public notice vide Notification No. 31/1/99 dated 9th December, 1999 for initiation of anti dumping investigation concerning certain seamless grade alloy and non alloy steel billets, bars and rounds originating in or exported from Russia, China and Ukraine and considered appropriate to impose Anti Dumping Duty vide Notification dated 1st June, 2001. The Designated Authority now considers that the mid term review of the Anti Dumping Duty recommended would be appropriate at this stage under the provision of Section 9A (5) of Customs Tariff (Amendment) Act 1995. M/s Maharashtra Seamless Steel has submitted a representation for withdrawal of Anti Dumping Duty on certain seamless grade alloy and non alloy steel billets, bars and rounds originating in or exported from Russia, China and Ukraine.

### **3. Procedure**

Having decided to review the final findings notified vide No 31/1/99 dated 1st June, 2001 and final duty imposed on 26th June, 2001, the Authority hereby initiates investigations to review the need for the continued imposition of anti-dumping duty and whether cessation of antidumping duty is likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of dumping and injury on imports of certain seamless grade alloy and non alloy steel billets, bars and rounds originating in or exported from Russia, China and Ukraine in accordance with the Customs Tariff (Amendment) Act, 1995 and the Customs Tariff (Identification, Assessment & Collection of Anti Dumping Duty on Dumped Articles and for Determination of Injury) Rules, 1995.

**4.** The review covers all aspects of Notification No.31/1/99 dated 1st December, 2000 and subsequent final findings dated 1st June, 2001.

**5.** The period of investigation for the purpose of the present review is 1st January, 2003 to 31st December, 2003.

### **6. Submission of Information:**

The exporters in subject countries, their governments through their embassies in India, the importers and users in India known to be concerned and the domestic industry are being addressed separately to submit relevant information in the form and manner prescribed and to make their views known to the:

The Designated Authority Directorate General of Anti-Dumping and Allied Duties  
Department of Commerce, Udyog Bhavan, New Delhi-110011.

Any other interested party may also make its submissions relevant to the investigation in the prescribed form and manner within the time limit set out below.

## **7. Time Limit**

Any information relating to the present review and any request for hearing should be sent in writing so as to reach the Authority at the address mentioned above not later than forty days from the date of publication of this review notification. If no information is received within the prescribed time limit or the information received is incomplete, the Designated Authority may record its findings on the basis of the facts available on record in accordance with the Rules supra.

## **8. Inspection of Public File:**

In terms of Rules 6(7), any interested party may inspect the public file containing non-confidential version of the evidence submitted by other interested parties.

In case where an interested party refuses access to, or otherwise does not provide necessary information within a reasonable period, or significantly impedes the investigation, the Authority may record its findings on the basis of the facts available to it and make such recommendations to the Central Government as deemed fit.

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