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Room 101
 U.S. International
 Trade Commission
 500 E Street, SW
 Washington, D.C.

The Commission meeting commenced, pursuant to notice, at 11:03 a.m., before the Commissioners of the United States International Trade Commission, the Honorable DEANNA TANNER OKUN, Chairman, presiding.

APPEARANCES:

On behalf of the International Trade Commission:Commissioners:

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 JENNIFER A. HILLMAN, VICE CHAIRMAN
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 CHARLOTTE R. LANE, COMMISSIONER
 DANIEL R. PEARSON, COMMISSIONER

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COORDINATOR

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(11:03 a.m.)

CHAIRMAN OKUN: Good morning and welcome to this meeting of the United States International Trade Commission.

Good morning, Madam Secretary.

MS. ABBOTT: Good morning, Madam Chairman.

CHAIRMAN OKUN: And good morning to Commissioner Miller, who is participating by telephone this morning.

COMMISSIONER MILLER: Good morning.

CHAIRMAN OKUN: There is no agenda for future meetings or outstanding action jackets for us to consider. Is there any objection to approval of the minutes of January 14 and February 10, 2004?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN OKUN: Hearing none, they are approved.

Is there any objection to approval of Ratification List 04-003?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN OKUN: Hearing none, it is approved.

We will now turn to Investigation Nos. 731-TA-1063-1068, (Preliminary) Certain Frozen and Canned

1 Warmwater Shrimp and Prawns from Brazil, China,
2 Ecuador, India, Thailand, and Vietnam. Welcome to Mr.
3 McClure and the other members of the staff who
4 participated in this investigation. Does any
5 commissioner have questions for the staff?

6 (No response.)

7 CHAIRMAN OKUN: Are there any additions or
8 corrections to the staff report?

9 MR. McCLURE: Jim McClure, Office of
10 Investigations. Madam Chairman, there is one addition
11 as contained in INV Memorandum INV-BB-020, dated
12 February 13, 2004. And before I give the microphone
13 back to you, I would like to add, thanks to a number
14 of people on our staff whose names don't appear on the
15 report. Their help was invaluable, especially in an
16 investigation such as this where you're dealing with
17 hundreds of questionnaires. So, in the financial
18 unit, special thanks to Chip Yost and David Boyland
19 for jumping in and helping Chand and John Fry; and in
20 the statistical unit, Darlene Smith, Mara Alexandra,
21 Carolyn Holmes, Link Shields, Ken Kozel, Barbara
22 Bryant, and even the chief himself, Andy Rylyk; and,
23 finally, to the miracle worker, Steve Hudgens, who can
24 now go back to the really important statistical issue
25 of the week: the evaluation of the A-Rod trade on

1 Steve's beloved Yankees. That's all I have. Thank
2 you.

3 CHAIRMAN OKUN: Thank you, Mr. McClure, and
4 thank you, again, to all of the staff who you've named
5 and the others who participated on this as well. We
6 very much appreciate all of your hard work on this
7 case.

8 Madam Secretary, will you please call the
9 roll?

10 MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Hillman?

11 VICE CHAIRMAN HILLMAN: I vote in the
12 affirmative.

13 MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Okun?

14 CHAIRMAN OKUN: I vote in the affirmative.

15 MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Koplan?

16 COMMISSIONER KOPLAN: I vote in the
17 affirmative.

18 MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Miller?

19 COMMISSIONER MILLER: I vote in the
20 affirmative.

21 MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Lane?

22 COMMISSIONER LANE: I vote in the
23 affirmative.

24 MS. ABBOTT: Commissioner Pearson?

25 COMMISSIONER PEARSON: I vote in the

1 affirmative.

2 MS. ABBOTT: Madam Chairman, the Commission
3 has reached affirmative determinations.

4 CHAIRMAN OKUN: Thank you. Further
5 information regarding this determination will be in a
6 press release. The Commission is currently scheduled
7 to transmit commissioners' opinions to the Department
8 of Commerce on or before February 24, 2004.

9 Thank you again to all staff who
10 participated in this investigation and the others who
11 have been so named. With no other business to come
12 before the Commission, this meeting is adjourned.

13 (Whereupon, at 11:06 a.m., the Commission
14 meeting was adjourned.)

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CERTIFICATION OF TRANSCRIPTION

TITLE: (Preliminary)(Certain Frozen and Canned Warmwater Shrimp and Prawns from Brazil, China, Ecuador, India, Thailand, and Vietnam)

INVESTIGATION NOS.: 731-TA-1063-1068

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