

UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION  
Washington, DC 20436

Investigation No. 332-497

**ADVICE CONCERNING POSSIBLE MODIFICATIONS TO THE U.S. GENERALIZED  
SYSTEM OF PREFERENCES, 2007 REVIEW OF COMPETITIVE NEED LIMIT WAIVERS**

**AGENCY:** United States International Trade Commission

**ACTION:** Change in scope of investigation

**SUMMARY:** Following receipt of a letter on March 13, 2008, from the United States Trade Representative (USTR) advising of the withdrawal of petitions requesting the waiver of the competitive need limit for the following two articles under the Generalized System of Preferences (GSP) program, the Commission has terminated its investigation with respect to those two articles and will not provide probable economic effect advice with respect to those articles:

Polyethylene terephthalate (PET) resin (HTS subheading 3907.60.00) from Indonesia, USTR accepted case 2007-13); and  
Full grain, unsplit, fancy leather (HTS subheading 4107.91.80) from Argentina, USTR accepted case 2007-15).

The Commission expects to transmit its report to the USTR providing its advice with respect to the remaining articles that are the subject of the USTR's request for advice by April 17, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** All Commission offices, including the Commission's hearing rooms, are located in the United States International Trade Commission Building, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC. All written submissions should be addressed to the Secretary, United States International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20436. The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS) at <http://www.usitc.gov/secretary/edis.htm>.

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**BACKGROUND:** The Commission instituted the investigation on January 29, 2008, following receipt of a letter from the USTR on January 18, 2008. Notice of institution of the investigation and the scheduling of a public hearing was published in the *Federal Register* of February 4, 2008 (73 F.R. 6526); notice of cancellation of the public hearing, following the withdrawal of requests to appear by all scheduled

witnesses, was published in the *Federal Register* of February 28, 2008 (73 F.R.10807). The deadline for filing written submissions in this investigation was March 7, 2008.

By order of the Commission.

/s/  
Marilyn R. Abbott  
Secretary to the Commission

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