In the Matter of

CERTAIN STRINGED MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS AND COMPONENTS THEREOF

Investigation No. 337-TA-586

NOTICE OF COMMISSION DECISION NOT TO REVIEW AN INITIAL DETERMINATION EXTENDING THE TARGET DATE FOR COMPLETION OF THE INVESTIGATION


ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the U.S. International Trade Commission has determined to not to review the initial determination (“ID”) of the presiding administrative law judge (“ALJ”) extending the target date for completion of the above-captioned investigation under section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. § 1337 (“section 337”).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: James A. Worth, Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20436, telephone (202) 205-3065. Copies of non-confidential documents filed in connection with this investigation are or will be available for inspection during official business hours (8:45 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.) in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20436, telephone (202) 205-2000. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server (http://www.usitc.gov). The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS) at http://edis.usitc.gov. Hearing-impaired persons are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission’s TDD terminal on (202) 205-1810.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On November 3, 2006, the Commission instituted an investigation titled Certain Stringed Musical Instruments and Components Thereof, Inv. No. 337-TA-586, based upon a complaint filed October 3, 2006, and supplemented October 24, 2006. 71 Fed. Reg. 64738 (November 3, 2006). The complaint alleged violations of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. § 1337, in the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, and the sale within the United States after importation of certain stringed musical instruments and components thereof by reason of infringement of one or more of claims 1-6, 8, 9, and 11 of U.S. Patent No. 6,175,066; claims 1-6 of U.S. Patent No. 5,965,831; claims 1 and 14-22 of U.S. Patent No. 6,891,094; and claims 1-3, 6-10, 14, 15, 23,
On October 30, 2007, the ALJ issued the subject ID (Order No. 17), extending the target date for completion of the investigation by two months to April 3, 2008. No petitions for review were filed.

The Commission has determined not to review the subject ID. This action is taken under the authority of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U.S.C. § 1337), and sections 210.51(a) and 210.42(h)(3) of the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR §§ 210.51(a), 210.42(h)(3)).

By order of the Commission.

/s/
Marilyn R. Abbott
Secretary to the Commission

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