NOTICE OF COMMISSION DETERMINATION NOT TO REVIEW AN INITIAL DETERMINATION TERMINATING THE INVESTIGATION WITH RESPECT TO CERTAIN CLAIMS


ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the U.S. International Trade Commission has determined not to review an initial determination (“ID”) (Order No. 32) issued by the presiding administrative law judge (“ALJ”), terminating the investigation with respect to certain claims based on the complainants’ partial withdrawal of the complaint.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert Needham, Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street, SW., Washington, D.C. 20436, telephone (202) 708-5468. 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, SW., Washington, D.C. 20436, telephone (202) 205-2000. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server (https://www.usitc.gov). The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS) at https://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.

The Commission’s notice of investigation named as respondents Nikon Corporation of Tokyo, Japan; Sendai Nikon Corporation of Natori, Japan; Nikon Inc. of Melville, New York; Nikon (Thailand) Co., Ltd. of Ayutthaya, Thailand; Nikon Imaging (China) of Co., Ltd. of Wuxi, China; and PT Nikon Indonesia, Jakarta, Indonesia. Id. at 25627. The Office of Unfair Import Investigations is not participating in this investigation. Id.

On November 17, 2017, the Complainants filed an unopposed motion to terminate the investigation in part based on their partial withdrawal of the complaint. Specifically, Complainants moved to terminate the investigation with respect to: claims 7, 8, 12, 14, 16, 19, 33, 34, 43, 44, 48, and 49 of the ’440 patent; claims 9, 18, 24, 26, and 28 of the ’454 patent; and claim 5 of the ’916 patent. Complainants also agreed not to pursue: claims 30, 31, and 33 of the ’440 patent in their domestic industry case; claim 10 of the ’454 patent in their infringement case; and claims 6-9 of the ’241 patent in their infringement case.

On November 22, 2017, the ALJ issued the subject ID granting the motion. No petitions for review of the ID were received.

The Commission has determined not to review the subject ID.

The authority for the Commission’s determination is contained in section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U.S.C. 1337), and in part 210 of the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR part 210).

By order of the Commission.

Lisa R. Barton
Secretary to the Commission

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