UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

) Investigation Nos.:

TITANIUM SPONGE FROM JAPAN) 701-TA-587 AND 731-TA-1385-1386

AND KAZAKHSTAN) (PRELIMINARY)

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8	Main Hearing Room (Room 101)								
9	U.S. International								
10	Trade Commission								
11	500 E Street, S.W.								
12	Washington, D.C.								
13	The meeting commenced, pursuant to notice, at								
14	11:00 a.m., before the Commissioners of the United States								
15	International Trade Commission, Chairman Rhonda K.								
16	Schmidtlein, presiding.								
17	APPEARANCES:								
18	On behalf of the International Trade Commission:								
19	Commissioners:								
20	RHONDA K. SCHMIDTLEIN, CHAIRMAN (presiding)								
21	DAVID S. JOHANSON, VICE CHAIRMAN								
22	IRVING A. WILLIAMSON, COMMISSIONER								
23	MEREDITH M. BROADBENT, COMMISSIONER								
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1	APPEARANCES (Continued):
2	Staff:
3	ELIZABETH HAINES, SUPERVISORY INVESTIGATOR
4	DANIEL MATTHEWS, INTERNATIONAL TRADE ANALYST
5	JORDAN HARRIMAN, INVESTIGATOR
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10	FERNANDO GARCIA, INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIST
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13	INFORMATION OFFICER
14	SHARON BELLAMY, RECORDS MANAGEMENT
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- 2 (10:58 a.m.)
- 3 CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Good morning. This meeting
- 4 of the U.S. International Trade Commission will now come to
- 5 order.
- 6 I understand that there are no agendas for future
- 7 meetings or outstanding action jackets to consider.
- 8 Is there any objection to approval of the minutes
- 9 of September 7, 12, 14, 19, 22, 28 and 29, 2017 or
- 10 ratification list, 17-010?
- 11 (No response.)
- 12 CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Hearing none they are
- 13 approved. Next we turn to the vote in the preliminary phase
- 14 of Investigation Numbers 701-TA-587 and 731-TA-1385-1386,
- 15 concerning imports of Titantium Sponge from Japan and
- 16 Kazakhstan.
- 17 Welcome to Ms. Haines and the staff who
- 18 participated in these investigations. Are there any
- 19 questions for the staff?
- 20 (No response.)
- 21 CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Are there any additions or
- 22 corrections to the staff report?
- 23 MS. HAINES: Elizabeth Haines, no additions or
- 24 revisions.
- 25 CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Is there any objection to

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- 1 approval of the staff report?
- 2 (No response.)
- 3 CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Hearing none, it is
- 4 approved. Mr. Secretary, will you please call the roll?
- 5 MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Johanson?
- 6 COMMISSIONER JOHANSON: I vote in the negative.
- 7 MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Williamson?
- 8 COMMISSIONER WILLIAMSON: I vote in the
- 9 negative.
- 10 MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Schmidtlein?
- 11 COMMISSIONER SCHMIDTLEIN: I vote in the
- 12 negative.
- MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Broadbent?
- 14 COMMISSIONER BROADBENT: I vote in the
- 15 negative.
- 16 MR. BISHOP: Madam Chairman, the Commission has
- 17 reached negative determinations.
- 18 CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Thank you, Mr.
- 19 Secretary. Further information regarding these
- 20 determinations will be in the press release. Views of the
- 21 Commission currently are scheduled to be completed and
- 22 filed on October 17, 2017. Thank you again to all the
- 23 staff who participated in these investigations. Seeing
- 24 that there's no other business before the Commission, this
- 25 meeting is adjourned.

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