UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:) Investigation Nos.:
RUBBER BANDS FROM CHINA, SRI LANKA,) 701-TA-598-600 AND 731-TA-1408-1410
AND THAILAND) (PRELIMINARY)
AND)
ALUMINUM FOIL FROM CHINA) 701-TA-570- AND 731-TA-1346 (FINAL)

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2	BEFORE THE							
3	INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION							
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8	AND THAILAND : 731-TA-1408-1410:							
9	:(PRELIMINARY)							
10	AND :							
11	ALUMINUM FOIL FROM CHINA : Investigation Number							
12	: 701-TA-570 AND							
13	: 731-TA-1346 (FINAL)							
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15	Thursday, March 15, 2002							
16	Main Hearing Room (Room 101)							
17	U.S. International Trade							
18	Commission							
19	500 E Street SW							
20	Washington, DC							
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22	The hearing commenced, pursuant to notice of the Judge, at							
23	10:08 a.m., before the Commissioners of the United States							
24	International Trade Commission, the Honorable Rhonda K.							
25	Schmidtlein, presiding							

1	APPEARANCES:
2	On behalf of the International Trade Commission:
3	Commissioners:
4	Rhonda K. Schmidtlein, Chairman, (presiding)
5	David S. Johanson, Vice Chairman
6	Irving A. Williamson, Commissioner
7	Meredith M. Broadbent, Commissioner (via telephone)
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9	William R. Bishop, Supervisory Hearings and Information
10	Officer
11	Tyrell Burch, Program Support Specialist
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13	Staff:
14	Amanda Lawrence, Investigator
15	Mary Messer, Investigator
16	Raymond Cantrell, International Trade Analyst
17	Lauren Gamache, International Economist
18	Jane Dempsey, Attorney/Advisor
19	Elizabeth Haines, Supervisory Investigator
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21	Daniel Matthews, International Trade Analyst
22	Craig Thomsen, International Economist
23	Benjamin Allen, Attorney/Advisor
24	Elizabeth Haines, Supervisory Investigator

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- 2 (11:00 a.m.)
- 3 CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Good morning. This
- 4 meeting of the U.S. International Trade Commission will now
- 5 come to order. Welcome to Commissioner Broadbent who is
- 6 participating by telephone.
- 7 COMMISSIONER BROADBENT (Via phone): Good
- 8 morning.
- 9 CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: I understand that there
- 10 are no agendas for future meetings, minutes, Ratification
- 11 Lists, or Outstanding Action Jackets to consider.
- 12 Next we turn to the vote in the Preliminary Phase
- of Investigation Number 701-TA-598-600, and
- 14 731-TA-1408-1410, concerning Imports of Rubber Bands from
- 15 China, Sri Lanka, and Thailand.
- Welcome to Ms. Haines and the staff who
- 17 participated in these investigations.
- 18 Are there any questions for the staff?
- 19 (No response.)
- 20 CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Are there any additions or
- 21 corrections to the staff report?
- MS. HAINES: Elizabeth Haines, there are no
- 23 additions or revisions.
- 24 CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Is there any objection to
- 25 approval of the staff report?

- 1 (No response.)
- 2 CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Hearing none, it is
- 3 approved.
- 4 Mr. Secretary, will you please call the roll?
- 5 MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Broadbent.
- 6 COMMISSIONER BROADBENT (Via phone): I vote in
- 7 the affirmative with respect to China and Thailand, and in
- 8 the negative with respect to Sri Lanka.
- 9 MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Williamson.
- 10 COMMISSIONER WILLIAMSON: I vote in the
- 11 affirmative with respect to China and Thailand, and in the
- 12 negative for Sri Lanka.
- 13 MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Schmidtlein.
- 14 COMMISSIONER SCHMIDTLEIN: I vote in the
- 15 affirmative with respect to China and Thailand, and in the
- 16 negative with respect to Sri Lanka.
- 17 MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Johanson.
- 18 COMMISSIONER JOHANSON: I vote in the affirmative
- 19 with respect to China and Thailand. I vote in the negative
- 20 with respect to Sri Lanka.
- 21 MR. BISHOP: Madam Chairman, the Commission has
- 22 reached affirmative determinations with respect to China
- 23 and Thailand. The Commission has reached a negative
- 24 determination with respect to Sri Lanka.
- 25 CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Thank you, Mr. Secretary.

- 1 Further information regarding these
- 2 determinations will be in the press release. Views of the
- 3 Commission currently are scheduled to be completed and
- 4 filed on March 26, 2018.
- 5 Thank you again to all the staff who participated
- 6 in these investigations. And we will now pause while we
- 7 change staff for the next vote.
- 8 (Pause.)
- 9 Next we turn to the vote in the Final Phase of
- 10 Investigation Numbers 701-TA-570 and 731-TA-1346 concerning
- 11 Imports of Aluminum Foil from China. Welcome again to Ms.
- 12 Haines and the staff who participated in these
- 13 investigations.
- 14 Are there any questions for the staff?
- 15 (No response.)
- 16 CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Are there any additions or
- 17 corrections to the staff report?
- 18 MS. HAINES: Elizabeth Haines. No additions or
- 19 revisions.
- 20 CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Is there any objection to
- 21 approval of the staff report?
- (No response.)
- 23 CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Hearing none, it is
- 24 approved.
- 25 Mr. Secretary, will you please call the roll.

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- 1 MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Williamson.
- 2 COMMISSIONER WILLIAMSON: I vote in the
- 3 affirmative.
- 4 MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Schmidtlein.
- 5 COMMISSIONER SCHMIDTLEIN: I vote in the
- 6 affirmative.
- 7 MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Broadbent.
- 8 COMMISSIONER BROADBENT (Via phone): I vote in
- 9 the affirmative.
- 10 MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Johanson.
- 11 COMMISSIONER JOHANSON: I vote in the
- 12 affirmative.
- 13 MR. BISHOP: Madam Chairman, the Commission has
- 14 reached affirmative determinations.
- 15 CHAIRMAN SCHMIDTLEIN: Thank you, Mr. Secretary.
- 16 Further information regarding these determinations will be
- in the press release. Views of the Commission are
- 18 currently scheduled to be completed and filed by April 9th,
- 19 2018.
- 20 Thank you again to all the staff who participated
- 21 in these investigations. Seeing that there is no other
- 22 business before the Commission, this meeting is adjourned.
- 23 (Whereupon, at 11:05 a.m., Thursday, March 15,
- 24 2018, the meeting of the Commissioners of the United States
- 25 International Trade Commission was adjourned.)

CERTIFICATE OF REPORTER

TITLE: In The Matter Of: Rubber Bands from China, Sri Lanka, and Thailand (Preliminary)

AND

Aluminum Foil from China (Final)

INVESTIGATION NOS: 701-TA-598-600 and 731-TA-1408-1410 AND

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SIGNED: Charles Hardy

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