EXPLANATION OF COMMISSION DETERMINATION OF ADEQUACY

in

Certain Polyester Staple Fiber from China Inv. No. 731-TA-1104 (Second Review)

On December 5, 2017, the Commission determined to conduct an expedited review in the subject five-year review pursuant to section 751(c)(3)(B) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. § 1675(c)(3)(B).

The Commission received a single response to its notice of institution filed jointly by Auriga Polymers Inc. ("Auriga"), DAK Americas, LLC ("DAK Americas"), and Nan Ya Plastics Corporation, America ("Nan Ya America"), each of which is a domestic producer of polyester staple fiber ("PSF"). The Commission found each of the domestic producers' responses to be individually adequate. Because the Commission received adequate responses from domestic interested parties accounting for a substantial share of domestic production of PSF in 2016, the Commission unanimously determined that the domestic interested party group response was adequate.

No respondent interested party filed a response to the notice of institution. Consequently, the Commission also unanimously determined that the respondent interested party group response was inadequate.

The Commission did not find any circumstances that would warrant conducting a full review. It therefore determined to conduct an expedited review of this order.

A record of the Commissioners' votes is available from the Office of the Secretary and at the Commission's website (<u>www.usitc.gov</u>).