

# UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

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CERAMIC TILE FROM CHINA ) 701-TA-621 AND 731-TA-1447 (FINAL)

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10 Main Hearing Room

11 U.S. International

12 Trade Commission

13 500 E Street, S.W.

14 Washington, D.C.

15 The meeting commenced, pursuant to notice, at

16 9:33 a.m., before the Commissioners of the United States

17 International Trade Commission, the Honorable David S.

18 Johanson, presiding.

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## P R O C E E D I N G S

(9:33 a.m.)

(The following proceedings were held by  
teleconference.)

CHAIRMAN JOHANSON: Good morning. I hereby open  
the hearing for Ceramic Tile from China, Investigation  
Numbers 701-TA-621 and 731-TA-1447 (Final).

Mr. Secretary, are there any preliminary matters?

MR. BISHOP: Mr. Chairman, I would note that all  
participants for today's teleconference hearing have been  
noted for the benefit of the Court Reporter. There are no  
other preliminary matters.

CHAIRMAN JOHANSON: Thank you, Mr. Secretary.  
The purpose of these final investigations is to determine  
whether the industry in the United States is materially  
injured or threatened with material injury, or the  
establishment of an industry in the United States  
materially retarded by reason of imports of Ceramic Tile  
from China.

In accordance with 19 USC Section 1677CA-1, the  
Commission has not cancelled this hearing. But in light of  
the restrictions on access to the Commission's building, the  
Commission will conduct this hearing through a series of  
written questions, submission of written testimony, written  
response to questions, and post-hearing briefs, and closing

1 oral arguments.

2 The schedule for the hearing in this proceeding  
3 is as follows:

4 Tuesday, March 31st, 2020, by noon, parties  
5 submit and serve witness testimony. Witness testimony is  
6 limited to 40 pages. Accompanying visual materials, for  
7 example photographs and presentation slides, do not count  
8 against the page limit.

9 Thursday, April 2nd, 2020, at 9:30 a.m.,  
10 Commission teleconference hearing to announce due dates.

11 Thursday, April 2nd, 2020, at 10:00 a.m.,  
12 Commission staff will send a first set of questions to  
13 parties.

14 Monday, April 6, 2020, by 10:00 a.m., parties  
15 submit and serve responses to first set of questions.  
16 Responses to the first set of questions is limited to 50  
17 pages. BPI versions on April 6, 2020, and public versions  
18 the following day.

19 Tuesday, April 7th, 2020, at 5:15 p.m.,  
20 Commission staff will send a second set of questions to  
21 parties.

22 Thursday, April 9th, 2020, by 5:15 p.m., parties  
23 submit and serve post-hearing briefs and responses to the  
24 second set of questions. BPI versions on April 9th, 2020,  
25 and public version the following day.

1           Friday, April 10th, 2020, at 9:30 a.m., there  
2 will be a limited closing oral arguments via video or  
3 teleconference. Additional details will be forthcoming.

4           The hearing on this investigation will conclude  
5 on April 10th, 2020, with adjournment of the closing  
6 arguments.

7           Are there any questions concerning the  
8 information I have provided?

9           (No response.)

10           CHAIRMAN JOHANSON: Then that concludes the  
11 teleconference.

12           (Whereupon, at 9:33 a.m., Thursday, April 2,  
13 2020, the teleconference hearing in the above-entitled  
14 matter was adjourned.)

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