

# UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

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Main Hearing Room (Room 101)  
U.S. International Trade  
Commission  
500 E Street, SW  
Washington, DC

The meeting commenced pursuant to notice at 11:01  
a.m., before the Commissioners of the United States  
International Trade Commission, the Honorable David S.  
Johanson, Chairman, presiding.

1 APPEARANCES:

2 On behalf of the International Trade Commission:

3 Commissioners:

4 Chairman David S. Johanson (presiding)

5 Commissioner Rhonda K. Schmidtlein

6 Commissioner Randolph J. Stayin

7 Commissioner Amy A. Karpel

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10 Officer

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18 Zachary Coughlin, Statistician

19 Karl von Schriltz, Attorney/Advisor

20 Craig Thomsen, Supervisory Investigator

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P R O C E E D I N G S

(11:01 a.m.)

MR. BISHOP: Will the room please come to order.

CHAIRMAN JOHANSON: Good morning. This meeting of the U.S. International Trade Commission will now come to order. I understand that there are no agendas for future meetings, minutes, Ratification Lists, or Outstanding Action Jackets to consider.

Next we turn to the vote on the Final Phase of Investigation No. 731-TA-1424 Concerning Imports of Mattresses from China.

Welcome to Mr. Thomsen and the staff who participated in this investigation. Are there any questions for the staff?

(No response.)

CHAIRMAN JOHANSON: Are there any additions or corrections to the staff report?

MR. THOMSEN: Craig Thomsen, Office of Investigations. Thank you, Chairman Johanson. The staff proposes that the final staff report for this investigation be revised in accordance with Memorandum INV-RR-120 dated November 12th, 2019. In addition, it is my distinct pleasure to introduce Zach Coughlin, who is completing his first case as a statistician with the Commission.

CHAIRMAN JOHANSON: Welcome, Mr. Coughlin.

1           Is there any objection to approval of the staff  
2 report as revised?

3           (No response.)

4           CHAIRMAN JOHANSON: Hearing none, it is approved.

5           Mr. Secretary, will you please call the roll?

6           MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Kearns is not  
7 participating. Commissioner Johanson?

8           COMMISSIONER JOHANSON: I vote in the  
9 affirmative.

10          MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Schmidtlein?

11          COMMISSIONER SCHMIDTLEIN: I vote in the  
12 affirmative.

13          MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Karpel?

14          COMMISSIONER KARPEL: I vote in the affirmative.

15          MR. BISHOP: Commissioner Stayin.

16          COMMISSIONER STAYIN: I vote in the affirmative.

17          MR. BISHOP: Mr. Chairman, the Commission has  
18 reached an affirmative determination.

19          CHAIRMAN JOHANSON: Thank you, Mr. Secretary.

20 Further information concerning this determination will be in  
21 the press release. Views of the Commission are currently  
22 scheduled to be completed and filed by December 9th, 2019.

23           Thank you to all staff who participated in this  
24 investigation. Seeing no other business before the  
25 Commission, this meeting is adjourned.

1                   (Whereupon, at 11:03 a.m., Tuesday, November 19,  
2 2019, the meeting of the Commissioners of the United States  
3 International Trade Commission was adjourned.)

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