

INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation Nos. 701-TA-649 and 731-TA-1523 (Final)]

Twist Ties From China

Determinations

On the basis of the record¹ developed in the subject investigations, the United States International Trade Commission (“Commission”) determines, pursuant to the Tariff Act of 1930 (“the Act”), that an industry in the United States is materially injured by reason of imports of twist ties from China, provided for in subheadings 8309.90.00 and 5609.00.30 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States, that have been found by the U.S. Department of Commerce (“Commerce”) to be sold in the United States at less than fair value (“LTFV”), and to be subsidized by the government of China.²

Background

The Commission instituted these investigations effective June 26, 2020, following receipt of petitions filed with the Commission and Commerce by Bedford Industries, Inc., Worthington, Minnesota. The final phase of the investigations was scheduled by the Commission following notification of preliminary determinations by Commerce that imports of twist ties from China were subsidized within the meaning of section 703(b) of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1671b(b)) and sold at LTFV within the meaning of 733(b) of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1673b(b)). Notice of the scheduling of the final phase of the Commission’s investigations and of a public hearing to be held in connection therewith was given by posting copies of the notice in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, Washington, DC, and by publishing the notice in the **Federal Register** on December 22, 2020 (85 FR 83613). In light of the restrictions on access to the Commission building due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Commission conducted its hearing through written testimony and video conference on February 16, 2021. All persons who requested the opportunity were permitted to participate.

The Commission made these determinations pursuant to §§ 705(b) and 735(b) of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1671d(b) and 19 U.S.C. 1673d(b)). It completed and filed its determinations

in these investigations on April 8, 2021. The views of the Commission are contained in USITC Publication 5179 (April 2021), entitled *Twist Ties from China: Investigation Nos. 701-TA-649 and 731-TA-1523 (Final)*.

By order of the Commission.

Issued: April 8, 2021.

Lisa Barton,

Secretary to the Commission.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

Notice of Receipt of Complaint; Solicitation of Comments Relating to the Public Interest

AGENCY: U.S. International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the U.S. International Trade Commission has received a complaint entitled *In the Matter of Certain Televisions, Remote Controls, and Components Thereof, DN 3542*; the Commission is soliciting comments on any public interest issues raised by the complaint or complainant’s filing pursuant to the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lisa R. Barton, Secretary to the Commission, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20436, telephone (202) 205-2000. The public version of the complaint can be accessed on the Commission’s Electronic Document Information System (EDIS) at <https://edis.usitc.gov>. For help accessing EDIS, please email EDIS3Help@usitc.gov.

General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its internet server at United States International Trade Commission (USITC) at <https://www.usitc.gov>. The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission’s Electronic Document Information System (EDIS) at <https://edis.usitc.gov>. Hearing-impaired persons are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission’s TDD terminal on (202) 205-1810.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Commission has received a complaint and a submission pursuant to § 210.8(b) of the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure filed on behalf of Roku, Inc. on April 8, 2021. The complaint alleges violations of section 337 of the

Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1337) in the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, and the sale within the United States after importation of certain televisions, remote controls, and components thereof. The complainant names as respondents: Universal Electronics, Inc. of Scottsdale, AZ; Gemstar Technology (Qinzhou) Co. Ltd. of China; Gemstar Technology (Yangzhou) Co. Ltd. of China; C.G. Development Ltd. of China; Universal Electronics BV of Netherlands; UEI Brasil Controles Remotos Ltda. of Brazil; CG México Remote Controls, S. de R.L. de C.V. of Mexico; LG Electronics Inc. of South Korea; LG Electronics USA, Inc. of Englewood Cliffs, NJ; Samsung Electronics Co. Ltd. of South Korea; Samsung Electronics America, Inc. of Ridgefield Park, NJ; Charter Communications, Inc. of Stamford, CT; Charter Communications Holdings, LLC of St. Louis, MO; Spectrum Management Holding Company, LLC of Stamford, CT; Altice USA, Inc. of Long Island City, NY; CSC Holdings, LLC d/b/a Optimum-Cablevision of Long Island City, NY; Cablevision Systems Corp. of Bethpage, NY; Cequel Communications, LLC d/b/a Suddenlink Communications of Long Island City, NY; and Wideopenwest, Inc. of Englewood, CO.

The complainant requests that the Commission issue a limited exclusion order, cease and desist orders, and impose a bond upon respondents’ alleged infringing articles during the 60-day Presidential review period pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 1337(j).

Proposed respondents, other interested parties, and members of the public are invited to file comments on any public interest issues raised by the complaint or § 210.8(b) filing. Comments should address whether issuance of the relief specifically requested by the complainant in this investigation would affect the public health and welfare in the United States, competitive conditions in the United States economy, the production of like or directly competitive articles in the United States, or United States consumers.

In particular, the Commission is interested in comments that:

(i) Explain how the articles potentially subject to the requested remedial orders are used in the United States;

(ii) identify any public health, safety, or welfare concerns in the United States relating to the requested remedial orders;

(iii) identify like or directly competitive articles that complainant, its licensees, or third parties make in the

¹ The record is defined in § 207.2(f) of the Commission’s Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR 207.2(f)).

² Chair Jason E. Kearns and Commissioner David S. Johanson dissenting.