DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[C–570–953]

Narrow Woven Ribbons With Woven Selvedge From the People’s Republic of China: Final Results of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review; 2018

AGENCY: Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (Commerce) determines that Yama Ribbons and Bows Co., Ltd. (Yama), an exporter/producer of narrow woven ribbons with woven selvedge (Ribbons) from the People’s Republic of China (China), received countervailable subsidies during the period of review (POR) January 1, 2018, through December 31, 2018.


FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The events that occurred since Commerce published the Preliminary Results 1 on January 27, 2021, are discussed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum. 2

On April 1, 2021, Commerce extended the deadline for the final results of this administrative review until July 23, 2021. 3

Scope of the Order

The products covered by the order are narrow woven ribbons with woven selvedge from China. For a complete description of the scope of this administrative review, see the Preliminary Results.4

Analysis of Comments Received

All issues raised in interested parties’ briefs are addressed in the Issues and Decision Memorandum accompanying this notice. A list of the issues raised by interested parties and to which we responded in the Issues and Decision Memorandum is provided in the appendix to this notice. The Issues and Decision Memorandum is a public document and is on file electronically via Enforcement and Compliance’s Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS). ACCESS is available to registered users at https://access.trade.gov. In addition, a complete version of the Issues and Decision Memorandum can be access directly at http://enforcement.trade.gov/frn/.

Changes Since the Preliminary Results

Based on the comments received from interested parties, we made no changes to our subsidy rate calculations in the Preliminary Results. For a discussion of these issues, see the Issues and Decision Memorandum.

Methodology

Commerce conducted this review in accordance with section 751(a)(1) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act). For each of the subsidy programs found countervailable, we find that there is a subsidy, i.e., a government-provided financial contribution that gives rise to a benefit to the recipient, and that the subsidy is specific. 5 The Issues and Decision Memorandum contains a full description of the methodology underlying Commerce’s conclusions, including any determination that relied upon the use of adverse facts available (AFA) pursuant to sections 776(a) and (b) of the Act.

Final Results of Administrative Review

In accordance with 19 CFR 351.221(b)(5), we calculated a countervailable subsidy rate for the producer/exporter under review for the period of January 1, 2018, through December 31, 2018 as follows:

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<th>Company</th>
<th>Subsidy rate (percent)</th>
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Assessment Rates

Consistent with section 751(a)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.212(b)(2), upon

1 See Narrow Woven Ribbons with Woven Selvedge from the People’s Republic of China: Preliminary Results of Countervailing Duty Administrative Review; 2018, 86 FR 7264 (January 27, 2021) (Preliminary Results), and accompanying Preliminary Decision Memorandum (PDM).
4 See Preliminary Results PDM at 3–5.
5 See sections 771(5)(B) and (D) of the Act regarding financial contribution; section 771(5)(B) of the Act regarding benefit; and section 771(5)(A) of the Act regarding specificity.
completion of the administrative review, Commerce shall determine, and CBP shall assess, countervailing duties on all appropriate entries covered by this review. Commerce intends to issue assessment instructions to CBP no earlier than 35 days after the date of publication of the final results of this review in the Federal Register. If a timely summons is filed at the U.S. Court of International Trade, the assessment instructions will direct CBP not to liquidate relevant entries until the time for parties to file a request for a statutory injunction has expired (i.e., within 90 days of publication).

Cash Deposit Instructions

In accordance with section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act, Commerce also intends to instruct CBP to collect cash deposits of estimated countervailing duties in the amount shown above for Yama, on shipments of subject merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication of the final results of this review. For all non-reviewed firms, Commerce will instruct CBP to continue to collect cash deposits at the most recent company-specific or all-others rate applicable to the company, as appropriate. Accordingly, the cash deposit requirements that will be applied to companies covered by this order, but not examined in this administrative review, are those established in the most recently completed segment of the proceeding for each company. These cash deposit requirements, when imposed, shall remain in effect until further notice.

Administrative Protective Orders

This notice also serves as a reminder to parties subject to administrative protective order (APO) of their responsibility concerning the destruction of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305(a)(3). Timely written notification of the return or destruction of APO materials or conversion to judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and terms of an APO is a sanctionable violation.

Notification to Interested Parties

We are issuing and publishing these results in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.221(b)(5).

Dated: July 22, 2021.

Christian Marsh,
Acting Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
International Trade Administration
Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Review and Approval; Renewal of Information Collection; Comment Request; Swiss–U.S. Privacy Shield; Invitation for Applications for Inclusion on the Supplemental List of Arbitrators

AGENCY: International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of information collection, request for comment.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed, and continuing information collections, which helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public’s reporting burden. The purpose of this notice is to allow for 60 days of public comment preceding submission of the collection to OMB.

DATES: To ensure consideration, comments regarding this proposed information collection must be received on or before September 27, 2021.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments by email to Towanda Carey, ITA Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, International Trade Administration at PRACOMMENTS@doc.gov. Please reference OMB Control Number 0625–0278 in the subject line of your comments. Do not submit Confidential Business Information or otherwise sensitive or protected information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or specific questions related to collection activities should be directed to David Ritchie, Senior Policy Advisor, Department of Commerce, International Trade Administration via email at privacyshield@trade.gov, or tel. 202–482–1512. More information on the arbitration mechanism may be found at https://www.privacyshield.gov/servlet/servlet.FileDownload?file=0150000000079Gr.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Swiss-U.S. Privacy Shield Framework was designed by the U.S. Department of Commerce (Department) and the Swiss Administration to provide companies in both Switzerland and the United States with a mechanism to comply with data protection requirements when transferring personal data from Switzerland to the United States in support of transatlantic commerce. On January 12, 2017, the Swiss Administration deemed the Swiss-U.S. Privacy Shield Framework adequate to enable data transfers under Swiss law, and on April 12, 2017, the Department began accepting self-certifications from U.S. companies to join the program (82 FR 16375; April 12, 2017).

On September 8, 2020, the Federal Data Protection and Information Commissioner (FDPIC) of Switzerland issued an opinion concluding that the Swiss-U.S. Privacy Shield Framework does not provide an adequate level of protection for data transfers from Switzerland to the United States pursuant to Switzerland’s Federal Act on Data Protection (FADP). As a result of that opinion, organizations wishing to rely on the Swiss-U.S. Privacy Shield to transfer personal data from Switzerland to the United States should seek guidance from the FDPIC or legal counsel. That opinion does not relieve participants in the Swiss-U.S. Privacy Shield of their obligations under the Swiss-U.S. Privacy Shield Framework. The Department continues to administer the Privacy Shield program while those