

Report No. 211

Termination of the countervailing duties on printed and dyed bed linen originating in or imported from Pakistan

**The International Trade Administration Commission of South Africa herewith
presents its Report No. 211: TERMINATION OF THE COUNTERVAILING DUTY ON
PRINTED AND DYED BED LINEN ORIGINATING IN OR IMPORTED FROM
PAKISTAN**



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1. In accordance with the provisions of Article 21.3 of the World Trade Organisation Agreement on the Implementation of Article VI of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, any definitive countervailing duty shall be terminated on a date not later than five years from the date of imposition, unless the authorities determine, in a review initiated before that date on their own initiative or upon a duly substantiated request made by or on behalf of the domestic industry within a reasonable period of time prior to that date, that the expiry of the duty would be likely to lead to the continuation or recurrence of subsidization and injury.
2. On 27 May 2005, the Commission notified all interested parties, through Notice No. 779 of Government Gazette No. 27599, that unless a request is made by or on behalf of the SACU industry for the duty to be reviewed prior to the expiry thereof, the countervailing duty applicable to printed and dyed bed linen originating in or imported from Pakistan, would expire on 28 December 2006.
3. The trade representatives of the countries involved were notified and provided with a copy of the Government Gazette notice.
4. All known manufacturers were invited to submit information indicating that the expiry of the countervailing duty is likely to lead to the continuation or recurrence of subsidization and injury. No response was received regarding printed and dyed linen originating in or imported from Pakistan.

RECOMMENDATION

5. The Commission therefore decided to recommend that the countervailing duty on printed and dyed bed linen, originating in or imported from Pakistan be withdrawn with retrospective effect, to the date of the five-year expiry of the duty, that is 28 December 2006.