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PROC. NO. 7987. TO IMPLEMENT THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC-CENTRAL AMERICA-UNITED STATES FREE TRADE AGREEMENT

Proc. No. 7987, Feb. 28, 2006, 71 F.R. 10829, provided in par. (6) that the Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements is authorized to exercise the President's authority under sections 4081 to 4088 of this title to review requests and to determine whether to commence consideration of such requests; to cause to be published in the Federal Register a notice of commencement of consideration of a request and notice seeking public comment; and to determine whether imports of a textile or apparel article of an Agreement country are causing serious damage, or actual threat thereof, to a domestic industry producing an article that is like, or directly competitive with, the imported article.

§ 4082. Determination and provision of relief

(a) Determination

(1) In general

If a positive determination is made under section 4081(b) of this title, the President shall determine whether, as a result of the elimination of a duty under the Agreement, a CAFTA-DR textile or apparel article of a specified CAFTA-DR country is being imported into the United States in such increased quantities, in absolute terms or relative to the domestic market for that article, and under such conditions as to cause serious damage, or actual threat thereof, to a domestic industry producing an article that is like, or directly competitive with, the imported article.

(2) Serious damage

In making a determination under paragraph (1), the President—

(A) shall examine the effect of increased imports on the domestic industry, as reflected in changes in such relevant economic factors as output, productivity, utilization of capacity, inventories, market share, exports, wages, employment, domestic prices, profits, and investment, none of which is necessarily decisive; and

(B) shall not consider changes in technology or consumer preference as factors supporting a determination of serious damage or actual threat thereof.

(3) Deadline for determination

The President shall make the determination under paragraph (1) no later than 30 days after the completion of any consultations held pursuant to article 3.23.4 of the Agreement.

(b) Provision of relief

(1) In general

If a determination under subsection (a) is affirmative, the President may provide relief from imports of the article that is the subject of such determination, as provided in paragraph (2), to the extent that the President determines necessary to remedy or prevent the

serious damage and to facilitate adjustment by the domestic industry.

(2) Nature of relief

The relief that the President is authorized to provide under this subsection with respect to imports of an article is an increase in the rate of duty imposed on the article to a level that does not exceed the lesser of—

(A) the column 1 general rate of duty imposed under the HTS on like articles at the time the import relief is provided; or

(B) the column 1 general rate of duty imposed under the HTS on like articles on the day before the date on which the Agreement enters into force.

(Pub. L. 109-53, title III, §322, Aug. 2, 2005, 119 Stat. 493.)

TERMINATION OF SECTION

For termination of section by section 107(d) of Pub. L. 109-53, see Effective and Termination Dates note below.

EFFECTIVE AND TERMINATION DATES

Section effective on the date the Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free Trade Agreement enters into force (Mar. 1, 2006) and to cease to have effect on the date the Agreement ceases to be in force with respect to the United States, and, during any period in which a country ceases to be a CAFTA-DR country, to cease to have effect with respect to such country, see section 107 of Pub. L. 109-53, set out as a note under section 4001 of this title.

§ 4083. Period of relief

(a) In general

Subject to subsection (b), any import relief that the President provides under subsection (b) of section 4082 of this title may not, in the aggregate, be in effect for more than 3 years.

(b) Extension

If the initial period for any import relief provided under section 4082 of this title is less than 3 years, the President may extend the effective period of any import relief provided under that section, subject to the limitation set forth in subsection (a), if the President determines that—

(1) the import relief continues to be necessary to remedy or prevent serious damage and to facilitate adjustment by the domestic industry to import competition; and

(2) there is evidence that the industry is making a positive adjustment to import competition.

(Pub. L. 109-53, title III, §323, Aug. 2, 2005, 119 Stat. 493.)

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CAFTA-DR country, to cease to have effect with respect to such country, see section 107 of Pub. L. 109-53, set out as a note under section 4001 of this title.

§ 4084. Articles exempt from relief

The President may not provide import relief under this part with respect to any article if—

- (1) import relief previously has been provided under this part with respect to that article; or
- (2) the article is subject to import relief under—
 - (A) part A; or
 - (B) chapter 1 of title II of the Trade Act of 1974 [19 U.S.C. 2251 et seq.].

(Pub. L. 109-53, title III, §324, Aug. 2, 2005, 119 Stat. 494.)

TERMINATION OF SECTION

For termination of section by section 107(d) of Pub. L. 109-53, see Effective and Termination Dates note below.

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Part A, referred to in par. (2)(A), was in the original “subtitle A”, meaning subtitle A (§§311-316) of title III of Pub. L. 109-53, Aug. 2, 2005, 119 Stat. 488, which enacted part A of this subchapter and amended section 2252 of this title. For complete classification of subtitle A to the Code, see Tables.

The Trade Act of 1974, referred to in par. (2)(B), is Pub. L. 93-618, Jan. 3, 1975, 88 Stat. 1978, as amended. Chapter 1 of title II of the Act is classified generally to part 1 (§2251 et seq.) of subchapter II of chapter 12 of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see section 2101 of this title and Tables.

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§ 4085. Rate after termination of import relief

When import relief under this part is terminated with respect to an article, the rate of duty on that article shall be the rate that would have been in effect, but for the provision of such relief.

(Pub. L. 109-53, title III, §325, Aug. 2, 2005, 119 Stat. 494.)

TERMINATION OF SECTION

For termination of section by section 107(d) of Pub. L. 109-53, see Effective and Termination Dates note below.

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§ 4086. Termination of relief authority

No import relief may be provided under this part with respect to any article after the date

that is 5 years after the date on which the Agreement enters into force.

(Pub. L. 109-53, title III, §326, Aug. 2, 2005, 119 Stat. 494.)

TERMINATION OF SECTION

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§ 4087. Compensation authority

For purposes of section 123 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2133), any import relief provided by the President under this part shall be treated as action taken under chapter 1 of title II of that Act [19 U.S.C. 2251 et seq.].

(Pub. L. 109-53, title III, §327, Aug. 2, 2005, 119 Stat. 494.)

TERMINATION OF SECTION

For termination of section by section 107(d) of Pub. L. 109-53, see Effective and Termination Dates note below.

REFERENCES IN TEXT

The Trade Act of 1974, referred to in text, is Pub. L. 93-618, Jan. 3, 1975, 88 Stat. 1978, as amended. Chapter 1 of title II of the Act is classified generally to part 1 (§2251 et seq.) of subchapter II of chapter 12 of this title. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see section 2101 of this title and Tables.

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§ 4088. Confidential business information

The President may not release information received in connection with a review under this part which the President considers to be confidential business information unless the party submitting the confidential business information had notice, at the time of submission, that such information would be released by the President, or such party subsequently consents to the release of the information. To the extent a party submits confidential business information, it shall also provide a nonconfidential version of the information in which the confidential business information is summarized or, if necessary, deleted.

(Pub. L. 109-53, title III, §328, Aug. 2, 2005, 119 Stat. 494.)