

As required by 19 CFR 351.214(b)(2)(iii)(B), each of the three exporters, Zhengzhou, Xiangcheng, and Jining Trans-High, certified that its export activities were not controlled by the central government. Also, each of the two producers, Henan and Jining Yun Feng, certified that its export activities were not controlled by the central government. Thus, the requests from Zhengzhou, Xiangcheng, and Jining Trans-High meet the content requirements set forth under 19 CFR 351.214(b)(2)(i)–(iii).

In addition, the companies submitted documentation establishing the following: (i) The date on which their subject merchandise was first entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption or the date on which the exporter or producer first shipped the subject merchandise for export to the United States; (ii) the volume of that and subsequent shipments; and (iii) the date of the first sale to an unaffiliated customer in the United States. Thus, the requests for review meet the content requirements set forth under 19 CFR 351.214(b)(2)(iv). Accordingly, pursuant to section 751(a)(2)(B)(ii) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.214(d)(1), we are initiating new shipper reviews for shipments of fresh garlic from the People's Republic of China exported by Zhengzhou, Xiangcheng, and Jining Trans-High. The period of review covers the period November 1, 2001, through October 31, 2002. *See* 19 CFR 351.214(g). We intend to issue final results of this review no later than 270 days after the day on which these new shipper reviews are initiated. *See* 19 CFR 351.214(i).

We will instruct the Customs Service to allow, at the option of the importer, the posting of a bond or security in lieu of a cash deposit for each entry of the subject merchandise from the companies named above, until the completion of the review. As Zhengzhou has certified that it both produced and exported the subject merchandise exported to the United States during the relevant period of review, we will apply the bonding option under 19 CFR 351.107(b)(1)(i) only to subject merchandise for which

it is both the producer and exporter. For both Jining Trans-High and Xiangcheng, we will apply the bonding option under 19 CFR 351.107(b)(1)(i) only to entries of subject merchandise from these two exporters for which the respective producers under review are the suppliers.

The interested parties must submit applications for disclosure under administrative protective order in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305 and 351.306.

This initiation and notice are in accordance with section 751(a)(2)(B)(ii) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.214 and 351.221(c)(1)(i).

Dated: December 31, 2002.

Susan H. Kuhbach,

Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Annual Listing of Foreign Government Subsidies on Articles of Cheese Subject to an In-Quota Rate of Duty

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Publication of annual listing of foreign government subsidies on articles of cheese subject to an in-quota rate of duty.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, in consultation with the Secretary of Agriculture, has prepared its annual list of foreign government subsidies on articles of cheese subject to an in-quota rate of duty during the period October 1, 2001 through September 30, 2002. We are publishing the current listing of those subsidies that we have determined exist.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tipten Troidl or Alicia Kinsey, Office of AD/CVD Enforcement VI, Group II, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department

of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Ave., NW., Washington, DC 20230, telephone: (202) 482–2786.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 702 of the Trade Agreements Act of 1979 (as amended) (“the Act”) requires the Department of Commerce (“the Department”) to determine, in consultation with the Secretary of Agriculture, whether any foreign government is providing a subsidy with respect to any article of cheese subject to an in-quota rate of duty, as defined in section 702(h) of the Act, and to publish an annual list and quarterly updates of the type and amount of those subsidies. We hereby provide the Department’s annual list of subsidies on articles of cheese that were imported during the period October 1, 2001 through September 30, 2002.

The Department has developed, in consultation with the Secretary of Agriculture, information on subsidies (as defined in section 702(h) of the Act) being provided either directly or indirectly by foreign governments on articles of cheese subject to an in-quota rate of duty. The appendix to this notice lists the country, the subsidy program or programs, and the gross and net amounts of each subsidy for which information is currently available.

The Department will incorporate additional programs which are found to constitute subsidies, and additional information on the subsidy programs listed, as the information is developed.

The Department encourages any person having information on foreign government subsidy programs which benefit articles of cheese subject to an in-quota rate of duty to submit such information in writing to the Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230.

This determination and notice are in accordance with section 702(a) of the Act.

Dated: December 31, 2002.

Susan H. Kuhbach,

Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

APPENDIX—SUBSIDY PROGRAMS ON CHEESE SUBJECT TO AN IN-QUOTA RATE OF DUTY

| Country | Program(s) | Gross ¹ subsidy (\$/lb) | Net ² subsidy (\$/lb) |
|---------------|--|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Austria | European Union Restitution Payments | 0.12 | 0.12 |
| Belgium | EU Restitution Payments | 0.02 | 0.02 |
| Canada | Export Assistance on Certain Types of Cheese | 0.22 | 0.22 |