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Ministry of Commerce Announcement No. 20, 2025 announced the initiation of anti-dumping investigation on imports of medical CT balls originating in the United States and India

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On March 7, 2025, the Ministry of Commerce of the People's Republic of China (hereinafter referred to as the Ministry of Commerce) received the application for anti-dumping investigation formally submitted by 昆山医源医疗技术有限公司 (hereinafter referred to as the applicant) on behalf of the relevant domestic medical CT ball tube industry. The applicant requests to conduct an anti-dumping investigation on the import of related medical CT machine X-ray tubes and their tubes (also known as related medical CT balls) originating in the United States and India. In accordance with the relevant provisions of the Anti-dumping Regulations of the People's Republic of China, the Ministry of Commerce has examined the qualifications of the applicants, the relevant information about the products applied for investigation, the relevant information about similar products in China, the impact of the products applied for investigation on the domestic industry, and the relevant information about the countries applied for investigation.

According to the evidence provided by the applicant and the preliminary review by the Ministry of Commerce, the total output of the relevant medical CT balls of the applicant is in line with the provisions of the Anti-dumping Regulations of the People's Republic of China in relation to the applicant's qualifications. At the same time, the application contains the contents and relevant evidence required by Article 14 and 15 of the Anti-dumping Regulations of the People's Republic of China.

According to the above review results, in accordance with the provisions of Article 16 of the Anti-dumping Regulations of the People's Republic of China, the Ministry of Commerce decided to initiate an anti-dumping investigation on imports of medical CT balls originating in the United States and India from April 4, 2025. The relevant matters

are hereby announced as follows:

1. Filing investigation and investigation period

Since the date of this announcement, the Ministry of Commerce has launched an anti-dumping investigation on the import of medical CT balls originating in the United States and India, and the dumping investigation period determined by the investigation is from January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024, and the industry injury investigation period is from January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2024.

2. Products under investigation and scope of investigation

Scope of investigation: X-ray tubes and their cores for medical CT machines originating in the United States and India.

Name of the product under investigation: Related medical CT machine X-ray tube and its tube core (also known as: related medical CT bulb).

English name: Certain X-Ray Tube Assemblies and Tube (Insert) Thereof for Medical CT Device (also known as Certain CT Medical Tubes).

Description: The product under investigation is an X-ray tube and its tube core which use ball bearing to drive anode target plate to rotate at high speed, which is suitable for 16 rows and above computed tomography (CT) equipment. Ball bearings are high precision bearings composed of high temperature tool steel and solid lubrication coated balls, which have the characteristics of high speed, high wear resistance, high bearing capacity and high temperature resistance.

The X-ray tube for medical CT machine is the X-ray source of CT equipment, and the core part is the tube core. The tube core cannot be installed on the CT device independently, and must be installed and used through the X-ray tube.

Main Uses: Related medical CT bulb is a medical device product, which can be used with compatible medical diagnostic X-ray computed tomography (CT) equipment to generate X-rays, mainly for medical image examination, diagnosis and other purposes.

This product belongs to the Import and Export Tax Code of the People's Republic of China: 90223000, and other products under this tax code are not within the scope of this investigation.

3. Registration to participate in the investigation

Interested parties shall, within 20 days from the date of this announcement, register with the Trade Relief Investigation Bureau of the Ministry of Commerce to participate in this anti-dumping investigation. Interested parties participating in the investigation shall, in accordance with the Reference Form for Registration to Participate in the Investigation, provide basic identity information, the quantity and amount of the products under investigation exported or imported to China, the quantity and amount of similar products produced and sold, and related materials. The "Reference Form for Registration for Investigation" can be downloaded from the Trade Remedy and Investigation Bureau sub-website of the Ministry of Commerce.

To register to participate in the anti-dumping investigation, the interested party shall submit the electronic version through the "trade remedy investigation information platform" (<https://etrb.mofcom.gov.cn>), and at the same time submit the written version according to the requirements of the Ministry of Commerce. The content of the electronic version and the written version shall be the same and the format shall be consistent.

The interested parties mentioned in this announcement refer to the individuals and organizations specified in Article 19 of the Anti-dumping Regulations of the People's Republic of China.

4. Access to public information

Interested parties may download the sub-website of the Trade Remedy Investigation Bureau on the website of the Ministry of Commerce or search, read, copy and copy the non-confidential version of the application submitted by the applicant in this case at the Open Information Review Room of the Ministry of Commerce (tel: 0086-10-65197878). In the course of investigation, the interested party may inquire the public information of the case through the sub-website of the Trade Remedy Investigation Bureau on the website of the Ministry of Commerce, or search, read, copy and copy the public information of the case in the public information review room of the Ministry of Commerce.

5. Comments on filing a case

If interested parties need to comment on the product scope and applicant

qualifications, the countries (regions) under investigation and other relevant issues, they may submit their written comments to the Trade Remedy Investigation Bureau of the Ministry of Commerce within 20 days from the date of this announcement.

6. Investigation methods

According to Article 20 of the Anti-dumping Regulations of the People's Republic of China, the Ministry of Commerce may use questionnaires, sampling, hearings, on-site verification and other means to obtain information from relevant interested parties and conduct investigations.

In order to obtain the necessary information for the investigation of this case, the Ministry of Commerce usually issues questionnaires to interested parties within 10 working days from the deadline for registration to participate in the investigation as stipulated in this announcement. Interested parties may download the questionnaire from the Trade Remedy Investigation sub-site of the Commerce Department's website.

The Questionnaire for Foreign exporters or producers of Related Medical CT bulb anti-dumping cases asks for information including the structure and operation of the company, the products under investigation, export sales to China, domestic sales, operation and financial information, production costs and related expenses, estimated dumping margins and checklists. "Related medical CT ball anti-dumping case of domestic producers questionnaire" inquiry information includes the basic situation of the company, domestic similar products, operation and related information, financial and related information, other issues that need to be explained. "Related medical CT ball anti-dumping case domestic importer Investigation questionnaire" inquiry information includes the basic situation of the company, the product under investigation trade and related information.

Interested parties shall submit complete and accurate answers within the prescribed time. The answer sheet should include all the information requested by the questionnaire.

7. Information submission and processing

Interested parties in the process of investigation to submit comments, answers, etc., should be through the "trade remedy investigation information platform" (<https://etrb.mofcom.gov.cn>) to submit the electronic version, and according to the requirements of the Ministry of Commerce, at the same time submit the written version.

The content of the electronic version and the written version shall be the same and the format shall be consistent.

If the information submitted to the Ministry of Commerce needs to be kept confidential, the interested party may request the Ministry of Commerce to keep the relevant information confidential and explain the reasons. If the Ministry of Commerce agrees to its request, the interested party applying for confidentiality shall also provide a non-confidential summary of the confidential information. The non-confidential summary should contain sufficient meaningful information to enable other interested parties to have a reasonable understanding of the confidential information. If a non-confidential summary cannot be provided, a reason should be given. If the information submitted by an interested party does not indicate the need for confidentiality, the Ministry of Commerce will treat the information as public information.

8. Consequences of non-cooperation

According to the provisions of Article 21 of the Anti-dumping Regulations of the People's Republic of China, when the Ministry of Commerce conducts an investigation, the interested parties shall truthfully reflect the situation and provide relevant information. If an interested party does not truthfully reflect the situation and provide relevant information, or fails to provide necessary information within a reasonable time, or seriously hinders the investigation in other ways, MOFCOM may make a ruling based on the facts already obtained and the best information available.

9. Duration of investigation

The investigation begins on April 4, 2025 and should normally be concluded by April 4, 2026, with an extension of six months in exceptional circumstances.

10. Contact information of the Ministry of Commerce

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Annex 1: Application for Anti-dumping Investigation related to Medical CT Tubes
(public text).pdf

Annex 2: Annex to the Application for Anti-dumping Investigation of Medical CT bulb
(public text).pdf

Annex 3: Reference Form for registration of relevant medical CT bulb anti-dumping
cases for investigation.wps

Press Response:

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The head of the Trade Remedy and Investigation Bureau of the Ministry of Commerce answered the reporter's questions on the anti-dumping investigation of imported medical CT balls originating in the United States and India

Q: We note that the MOFCOM has launched an anti-dumping investigation against imports of medical CT balls from the US and India. Could you tell us more about that?

Answer: This anti-dumping investigation is initiated in response to the application of the domestic industry, the investigation products are part of the ball bearing medical CT ball tube products. The preliminary evidence submitted by the applicant shows that from 2022 to 2024, the number of imports of related products dumped from the United States and India has increased by 13%, and the import price has continued to decline, which has depressed and suppressed the sales price of domestic products, and the domestic industry is in a state of loss.

After receiving the application from the domestic industry, the investigation authority reviewed the application in accordance with the relevant laws and regulations of China and in accordance with the rules of the WTO, found that the application met the requirements for filing an anti-dumping investigation, and decided to initiate an investigation. The investigating authority will conduct an investigation in accordance with the law and make an objective and impartial ruling based on the investigation results.

Q: We have noted that the Ministry of Commerce has also launched the first industrial competitiveness investigation on relevant products. What are the connections and differences between the two investigations?

A: Both investigations were initiated at the request of the domestic industry, but

there are differences in product scope and investigation content. First, the product range is different. The industrial competitiveness investigation involves imported medical CT ball tube products, and the anti-dumping investigation only involves some ball bearing medical CT ball tube products imported from the United States and India. Second, the investigation content is different. The Industrial Competitiveness Survey is a factual survey that focuses on the impact of imports of related products on domestic industries and their competitiveness. This survey is not targeted at specific countries or regions and will not affect normal trade. Anti-dumping investigation against the unfair competition of imported products from specific countries and regions, the investigation authority may decide whether to take anti-dumping measures based on the results of the investigation.

I want to stress that the investigation authorities will carry out two investigations in accordance with the law to fully protect the rights of all stakeholders and safeguard the legitimate rights and interests of domestic industries.