

fringe benefit information for consideration by the Department. Further information and self-explanatory forms for the purpose of submitting this data may be obtained by writing to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment Standards Administration, Wage and Hour Division, Division of Wage Determinations, 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room S-3014, Washington, D.C. 20210.

#### Modifications to General Wage Determination Decisions

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#### General Wage Determination Publication

General wage determinations issued under the Davis-Bacon and related Acts, including those noted above, may be found in the Government Printing Office (GPO) document entitled "General Wage Determinations Issued Under the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts". This publication is available at each of the 50 Regional Government Depository Libraries and many of the 1,400 Government Depository Libraries across the country.

The general wage determinations issued under the Davis-Bacon and related Acts are available electronically by subscription to the FedWorld Bulletin Board System of the National Technical Information Service (NTIS) of the U.S. Department of Commerce at (703) 487-4630.

Hard-copy subscriptions may be purchased from: Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402, (202) 512-1800.

When ordering hard-copy subscription(s), be sure to specify the State(s) of interest, since subscriptions

may be ordered for any or all of the six separate volumes, arranged by State. Subscriptions include an annual edition (issued in January or February) which includes all current general wage determinations for the States covered by each volume. Throughout the remainder of the year, regular weekly updates are distributed to subscribers.

Signed at Washington, D.C. this 10th day of May 1996.

Philip J. Gloss,

*Chief, Branch of Construction Wage Determinations.*

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#### OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

#### WTO Dispute Settlement Proceedings Concerning U.S. Restrictions on Woven Wool Shirts and Blouses From India

**AGENCY:** Office of the United States Trade Representative.

**ACTION:** Notice; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to section 127(b)(1) of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act (URAA) (19 U.S.C. 3537(b)(1)), the Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR) is providing notice that a dispute settlement panel convened under the Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization (WTO) at the request of India will examine a U.S. transitional safeguard restriction on woven wool shirt and blouse imports from India (category 440) applied pursuant to the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (ATC). USTR also invites written comments from the public concerning the issues raised in the dispute.

**DATES:** Although USTR will accept any comments received during the course of the dispute settlement proceedings, comments should be submitted on or before June 12, 1996 in order to be assured of timely consideration by USTR in preparing its first written submission to the panel.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments may be submitted to the Office of the General Counsel, Attn: Wool Shirts and Blouses Dispute, Room 223, Office of the U.S. Trade Representative, 600 17th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20506.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Alicia Greenidge, Special Counsel, at (202) 395-3026 or Demetri Boutris, Associate General Counsel, at (202) 395-3150, Office of the U.S. Trade

Representative, 600 17th Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20508.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** At the request of India, a WTO dispute settlement panel will examine whether the United States application of a transitional safeguard on U.S. imports of woven wool shirts and blouses from India is consistent with U.S. obligations under the ATC. Effective July 17, 1995, the United States applied a restriction on imports of woven wool shirts and blouses from India (category 440) at a level of 76,698 dozen (60 FR 35899). The U.S. took this action because it determined that such imports were contributing to serious damage, or actual threat thereof, to the U.S. industry. The U.S. held consultations with India in April 1995 in accordance with Article 6.7 of the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (ATC). Because no mutually satisfactory solution was reached, the U.S. applied a safeguard restriction in accordance with Article 6.10 of the ATC. Article 6.10 provides that members taking unilateral action must do so within 30 days after a 60 day consultation period, which did not result in agreement. Also pursuant to Article 6.10 of the ATC, the WTO Textiles Monitoring Body (TMB) automatically reviewed the case. The TMB examined the matter on August 28–September 1, 1995. After its examination of the case, the TMB determined that there was no serious damage to U.S. industry. However, the TMB reached consensus that there was actual threat of serious damage to the U.S. industry and such threat was properly attributed to imports from India. On October 16, 1995, India informed the TMB that it could not conform with the TMB's recommendation. The TMB subsequently issued a report on December 8, 1995, affirming its original finding and noted that it could not make any additional recommendations concerning the conclusions it reached earlier. On March 14, 1996, pursuant to Article 8.10 of the ATC, India sent a letter to the Chairman of the WTO Dispute Settlement Body requesting that a panel review the matter.

Members of the panel are currently being selected. The panel will meet with the parties to the dispute twice at WTO headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland to examine the case. The panel is expected to issue a report detailing its findings and recommendations in six to nine months from the date the panel is established.

### Major Issues Raised by India and Alleged Legal Basis of the Complaint

India has alleged that the U.S. safeguard restriction on woven shirts and blouses imported from India is inconsistent with Articles 6, 8 and 2 of the ATC; that the U.S. restriction nullifies or impairs benefits accruing to India under the Agreement Establishing the WTO, GATT 1994 and under the ATC in particular; and that the U.S. must withdraw the restraint. India also requested supplementary findings from the panel that the U.S. has to choose at the beginning of the process whether it will claim existence of serious damage or actual threat because they are not interchangeable (asserting that if serious damage is not found there can be no threat); and that the U.S. cannot impose a restraint with retrospective effective because there is no provision in the ATC addressing the matter.

### Public Comment: Requirements for Submissions

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments concerning the issues raised in the dispute. The provisions of 15 CFR § 2006.13 (a) and (c) (providing that comments received will be open to public inspection) and 2006.15 will apply to comments received. Comments must be in English and provided in fifteen copies. Pursuant to 15 CFR § 2006.15, confidential business information must be clearly marked "BUSINESS CONFIDENTIAL" in a contrasting color ink at the top of each page.

Pursuant to § 127(e) of the URAA, USTR will maintain a public file on this dispute settlement proceeding, which will include a list of comments received, in the USTR Reading Room: Room 101, Office of the United States Trade Representative, 600 17th Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20508. An appointment to review the docket (Docket WTO/D-5 "India-United States: U.S. Safeguard Restrictions on Woven Wool Shirts and Blouses") may be made by calling Brenda Webb, (202) 395-6186. The USTR Reading Room is open to the public from 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Irving Williamson,

*Deputy General Counsel.*

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### SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Investment Company Act Rel. No. 21947; 812-9906; International Series Release No. 975]

### Minorco S.A., Notice of Application

May 9, 1996.

**AGENCY:** Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC").

**ACTION:** Notice of Application for Exemption under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (the "Act").

**APPLICANT:** Minorco S.A.

**RELEVANT ACT SECTION:** Order requested under section 3(b)(2) of the Act or, alternatively, under section 6(c) granting an exemption from all provisions of the Act.

**SUMMARY OF APPLICATION:** Applicant seeks an order declaring that it is primarily engaged in a business other than that of investing, reinvesting, owning, holding or trading in securities or, alternatively, granting it an exemption from all provisions of the Act and the rules and regulations thereunder.

**FILING DATE:** The application was filed on December 14, 1995, and amendment on May 7, 1996.

**HEARING OR NOTIFICATION OF HEARING:** An order granting the application will be issued unless the SEC orders a hearing. Interested persons may request a hearing by writing to the SEC's Secretary and serving applicant with a copy of the request, personally or by mail. Hearing requests should be received by the SEC by 5:30 p.m. on June 3, 1996, and should be accompanied by proof of service on the applicant, in the form of an affidavit or, for lawyers, a certificate of service. Hearing requests should state the nature of the writer's interest, the reason for the request, and the issues contested. Persons who wish to be notified of a hearing may request such notification by writing to the SEC's Secretary.

**ADDRESSES:** Secretary, SEC, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549. Applicant, c/o Minorco (U.S.A.) Inc., 30 Rockerfeller Plaza, Suite 4212, New York, New York, 10112.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mary Kay Frech, Senior Attorney at (202) 942-0579, or David M. Goldenberg, Branch Chief, at (202) 942-0564 (Division of Investment Management, Office of Investment Company Regulation).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The following is a summary of the application. The complete application