

Tariff and Development Board Notice No. 381—Inquiry Concerning Protection for New Zealand Industry Producing Continuous Filament Polyester Yarn—Public Hearing

1. In a letter of 6 September 1972, the Minister of Customs informed the Board that Government had accepted the Board's recommendations in its Report No. 189 and the Tariff provisions set out in the Schedule to this notice became effective on 8 September 1972. The Board had also recommended that a further inquiry be undertaken in 1974 and the Minister agreed, in view of the Board's comments regarding the current world market and marketing conditions, that a further inquiry should be held at that time. Accordingly, the Minister requested the Board to undertake in 1974 an inquiry and report as to the nature and extent of the protection, if any, it considers necessary for the New Zealand industry manufacturing continuous filament polyester yarn not bulked, stretch or texturised classified in Tariff items 51.01.033, 51.01.035, 51.01.036, and 51.01.038, the Tariff provisions for which are set out in the Schedule to this notice.

2. For the purpose of taking evidence the Board will hold a public hearing in the Hearing Room, Eighth Floor, Cumberland House, Upper Willis Street, Wellington, on Tuesday, 9 July 1974, commencing at 10.30 a.m.

3. Parties intending to make representations or requests about appropriate rates of customs duty are asked to take into account the statement of 7 May 1973 by the Minister of Overseas Trade on the phasing out of British preferences from the New Zealand Tariff, the statement of 7 May 1973 by the Minister of Trade and Industry on the interim New Zealand - Australia Trade Agreement 1973 and the statement of 27 July 1973 by the Minister of Overseas Trade on the New Zealand - Canada Trade Agreement 1973. Copies of these statements can be obtained from the undersigned. In a letter dated 6 April 1973 the Minister of Trade and Industry indicated that, while Government had asked the Board to consider the question of a single tariff rate, for trade policy reasons the Board's recommendations on this aspect would not necessarily be made public for the time being.

4. Any person who intends to tender evidence should lodge, in typewritten form, 14 copies of public evidence and 12 copies of confidential evidence, to be presented under oath at the public hearing, at the Board's office no later than Monday, 10 June 1974. In preparing this evidence the "Notes for Information and Guidance of Interested Parties" prepared by the Board may be of assistance. Copies of these notes may be obtained from the Board's office.

5. In any instance where no evidence is received in respect of any goods classified within a particular Tariff item the Board may recommend that no protective rates of duty be applied to those goods.

Dated at Wellington this 30th day of October 1973.

F. E. BEAUFORT, Secretary, Tariff and Development Board.

P.O. Box 27-046, Wellington.

SCHEDULE

Number	Description	Rates of Duty		GEN
		BP	MFN	
51.01	Yarn of man-made fibres (continuous), not put up for retail sale: Of synthetic fibres: Other yarn and thread: Other kinds: Not containing sheep's or lambs' wool or fine animal hair: Other: Polyester: Not bulked, stretch, or texturised: Weighing not less than 110 g but not more than 160 g per 9,000 m: As may be approved by the Minister and under such conditions as he may prescribe	Free	DC5%	10%
‡51.01.033	Other: Weighing not less than 110 g but not more than 130 g per 9,000 m	Free*	DC5%*	10%*
‡51.01.035	Weighing more than 130 g but not more than 160 g per 9,000 m	Free†	DC5%†	10%†
‡51.01.036	Other kinds	Free	DC5%	10%
‡51.01.038				

*Plus a duty equal to the amount by which the c.i.f. value is less than \$1.24 per lb.

†Plus a duty equal to the amount by which the c.i.f. value is less than \$1.15 per lb.

‡Effective 8 September 1972.

Tariff and Development Board Notice No. 383—New Zealand - Australia Free Trade Agreement Additions to Schedule A—Public Hearings

1. At the request of the Minister of Trade and Industry, the Tariff and Development Board proposes to inquire into and report upon the question whether goods listed in the Schedule to this notice should be added to Schedule A of the New Zealand - Australia Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA).

2. For the purpose of taking evidence the Board will, in accordance with its normal procedures, conduct public hearings commencing on the dates and at the times shown in the Schedule to this notice in the Hearing Room, Eighth Floor, Cumberland House, Upper Willis Street, Wellington.

3. Any person who intends to tender evidence should lodge, in typewritten form, 14 copies of public evidence and 12 copies of confidential evidence, to be presented under oath at the public hearing, at the Board's office no later than the date shown in the fourth column of the Schedule to this notice. In preparing this evidence the "Notes for Information and Guidance of Interested Parties" prepared by the Board may be of assistance. Copies of these notes may be obtained from the Board's office.

Dated at Wellington this 30th day of October 1973.

F. E. BEAUFORT, Secretary, Tariff and Development Board.

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SCHEDULE

Tariff Items	Description	Time and Date of Public Hearing	Closing Date for Receipt of Representations
42.03.061	Watch straps of leather or of composition leather	10.30 a.m., Thursday, 21 February 1974	Thursday, 31 January 1974
98.01.008	Buttons, blanks and parts of buttons of artificial plastic material, excluding blanks of hardened casein	10.30 a.m., Thursday, 28 February 1974	Thursday, 7 February 1974