COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DECISION (EU) 2015/2362

of 15 December 2015

concerning exemptions from the extended anti-dumping duty on certain bicycle parts originating in the People's Republic of China pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 88/97

(notified under document C(2015) 9049)

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1225/2009 of 30 November 2009 on protection against dumped imports from countries not members of the European Community (1), and in particular Article 13(4) thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 71/97 of 10 January 1997 extending the definitive anti-dumping duty imposed by Regulation (EEC) No 2474/93 on bicycles originating in the People's Republic of China to imports of certain bicycle parts from the People's Republic of China, and levying the extended duty on such imports registered under Regulation (EC) No 703/96 (2), and in particular Article 3 thereof,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 88/97 of 20 January 1997 on the authorisation of the exemption of imports of certain bicycle parts originating in the People's Republic of China from the extension by Council Regulation (EC) No 71/97 of the anti-dumping duty imposed by Council Regulation (EEC) No 2474/93 (3), and in particular Articles 4, 5, 7 and 10 thereof,

After informing the Member States,

Whereas:

- (1) An anti-dumping duty currently applies on imports into the European Union of essential bicycle parts originating in the People's Republic of China (the extended duty) as a result of the extension by Regulation (EC) No 71/97 ('the extending Regulation') of the anti-dumping duty on imports of bicycles originating in the People's Republic of China ('China').
- Under Article 3 of the extending Regulation, the European Commission ('the Commission') is empowered to (2) adopt the necessary measures to authorise the exemption of imports of essential bicycle parts which do not circumvent the anti-dumping duty.
- (3) Those implementing measures are contained in Regulation (EC) No 88/97 ('the exemption Regulation') establishing the specific exemption system.
- On this basis the Commission has exempted a number of bicycle assemblers from the extended duty (the (4) exempted parties').
- (5) As provided for in Article 16(2) of the exemption Regulation, the Commission has published in the Official Journal of the European Union successive lists of the exempted parties (4).
- The most recent Commission Implementing Decision concerning exemptions under the exemption Regulation was adopted on 16 April 2014 (5).

(5) OJ L 119, 23.4.2014, p. 67.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 343, 22.12.2009, p. 51.

^(*) OJ L 16, 18.1.1997, p. 55. (*) OJ L 17, 21.1.1997, p. 17. (*) OJ C 45, 13.2.1997, p. 3, OJ C 112, 10.4.1997, p. 9, OJ C 220, 19.7.1997, p. 6, OJ C 378, 13.12.1997, p. 2, OJ C 217, 11.7.1998, p. 9, OJ C 37, 11.2.1999, p. 3, OJ C 186, 2.7.1999, p. 6, OJ C 216, 28.7.2000, p. 8, OJ C 170, 14.6.2001, p. 5, OJ C 103, 30.4.2002, p. 2, OJ C 35, 14.2.2003, p. 3, OJ C 43, 22.2.2003, p. 5, OJ C 54, 2.3.2004, p. 2, OJ C 299, 4.12.2004, p. 4, OJ L 17, 21.1.2006, p. 16 and OJ L 313, 14.11.2006, p. 5, OJ L 81, 20.3.2008, p. 73, OJ C 310, 5.12.2008, p. 19, OJ L 19, 23.1.2009, p. 62, OJ L 314, 1.12.2009, p. 106, OJ L 136, 24.5.2011, p. 99, OJ L 343, 23.12.2011, p. 86, OJ L 119, 23.4.2014, p. 67.

(7) Moreover following the screening initiated by Commission Notice 2014/C-299/08 (¹) the Commission updated the list of exempted parties through the Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/831 (²).

1. REQUESTS FOR EXEMPTION

- (8) The Commission received from the parties listed in Tables 1, 2 and 4 below the requests for exemption with all the information required to determine that these were admissible pursuant to Article 4(1) of the exemption Regulation.
- (9) These parties were given an opportunity to comment on the Commission's conclusions as to the admissibility of their requests.
- (10) Pursuant to Article 5(1) of the exemption Regulation pending a decision on the merits of requests from these parties the payment of the extended duty in respect of any imports of essential bicycle parts declared for free circulation by these parties was suspended as from the day on which the Commission received their requests.

2. AUTHORISATION OF EXEMPTIONS

(11) The examination of the merits of the requests from the parties listed in Table 1 has been concluded.

Table 1

Name	Address	Country	TARIC addit- ional code
c2g-engineering GmbH	Schlesische Straße 27, DE-10997 Berlin	Germany	B934
Solo International Oy	Pyyntitie 1 B, FI-02230 Espoo	Finland	B940
Planet X Ltd	Unit 6, Ignite Business Park, Magna Way, Rother- ham GB-S60 1FD	United Kingdom	A995
Longway Poland Sp. z o.o.	ul. Parzniewska 4a, PL-05-800 Pruszków	Poland	B935
BBF Bike GmbH	Carena Allee 8, DE-15366 Hoppegarten	Germany	B936

- (12) The Commission established during this examination that the value of the parts originating in China constituted less than 60 % of the total value of the parts used in these parties' assembly operations.
- (13) Consequently, their assembly operations fall outside the scope of Article 13(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1225/2009.
- (14) For that reason, and in accordance with Article 7(1) of the exemption Regulation, the parties listed in Table 1 should be exempted from the extended duty.
- (15) In accordance with Article 7(2), their exemptions should take effect as from the date of receipt of their requests and, in addition, their customs debts in respect of the extended duty should be considered void from the same date.
- (16) These parties were informed of the Commission's conclusions on the merits of their requests and were given an opportunity to comment thereon.

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 299, 5.9.2014, p. 7.

⁽²⁾ Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/831 of 28 May 2015 updating the list of parties exempted from the extended anti-dumping duty on certain bicycle parts originating in the People's Republic of China pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 88/97 following the screening initiated by Commission Notice 2014/C 299/08 (OJ L 132, 29.5.2015, p. 32).

- (17) Since the exemptions will apply only to the parties specifically referred to in Table 1 with their names and addresses, the exempted parties should notify the Commission (¹) forthwith, of any changes to these (for instance, following a change in the name, legal form or address or following the setting up of new assembly entities).
- (18) In such case, the party should provide all relevant information, in particular on any modification in its activities linked to assembly operations. Where appropriate, the Commission will update the references to such party.

3. REJECTION OF REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION AND LIFTING RELATED SUSPENSION

(19) The examination of the merits of the request from the party listed in Table 2 has been concluded.

Table 2

Name	Address	Country	TARIC addit- ional code
S.C EUROBIKE UNIVER- SAL S.R.L.	Street Asociatiei No 4, Movilita, Ialomita	Romania	B941

- (20) The Commission established during this examination that the value of the bicycle parts originating in China constituted more than 60 % of the total value of the parts used in this party's assembly operations, while the party did not demonstrate that value added to the parts brought in during the assembly operation, was greater than 25 % of the manufacturing cost.
- (21) Consequently, this party's assembly operations fall within the scope of Article 13(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1225/2009 and the criteria for exemption are not fulfilled.
- (22) On these grounds and pursuant to with Article 7(3) of the exemption Regulation, the Commission has to reject this party's request and lift the suspension of the payment of the extended duty referred to in Article 5 of the exemption Regulation.
- (23) Consequently, the extended duty should be collected as from the date of receipt of the request for exemption submitted by this party; that is the date on which the suspension took effect.
- (24) This party was informed of the Commission's conclusions on the merits of its request and was given an opportunity to comment thereon. No comments were submitted within the deadline.
- What is said in the preceding recitals does not exclude the application of an exemption subject to end-use control in accordance with Article 14 of the exemption Regulation.

4. UPDATE OF REFERENCES TO AN EXEMPTED PARTY

- (26) The exempted party listed in Table 3 came forward and informed the Commission that its legal form and name have changed. The Commission, after having examined the information submitted, concluded that those changes in no way affect the assembly operations with regard to the conditions of exemption set forth in the exemption Regulation.
- (27) While the exemption of this party from the extended duty authorised pursuant to Article 7(1) of the exemption Regulation remain unaffected, the references to this party should be updated.

⁽¹⁾ The parties are advised to use the following email address: TRADE-BICYCLE-PARTS@ec.europa.eu

Table 3

Former reference	Change	TARIC addit- ional code
S.N.C. Cicli Olympia di Pasquale e Antonio Fontana & C. Via Galileo Galilei 12/A, IT-35028 Piove di Sacco (PD), Italy	The company name and legal form has been changed to 'Cicli Olympia S.r.l'	A167

5. SUSPENSION OF PAYMENTS OF THE DUTIES FOR PARTIES UNDER EXAMINATION

- (28) The examination of the merits of the request from the parties listed in Table 4 is pending. Pending a decision on the merits of their requests from these parties the payment of extended duty by these parties is suspended.
- (29) Since the suspensions apply only to the parties specifically referred to in Table 4 with their names and addresses, these parties should notify the Commission (¹) forthwith, of any changes to these (for instance following a change in the name, legal form or address or following the setting up of new assembly entities).
- (30) In such case, the party should provide all relevant information, in particular on any modification in its activities linked to assembly operations. Where appropriate, the Commission will update the references to such party.

Table 4

Name	Address	Country	TARIC addit- ional code
In Cycles — Montagem e Comércio de Bicicletas Lda	Zona Industrial De Barrô Norte/Sul, N.º 976, Fracçao A/B e D, AP. 52, PT-3750-353 Barrô — Águeda	Portugal	B960
PANEX DINAMIC d.o.o.	Dr.Tome Bratkoviča 1, HR-40000 Čakovec	Croatia	B963
CICLI EUROPA s.r.l.	34 Via portella Bifuto, IT-93017 San Cataldo (CL)	Italy	C001
OLYMPIQUE SARL	ZA Les Epalits, FR-42610 Saint-Romain-le-Puy	France	C002
Interbike Spólka z o.o.	ul. Śląska 6/5, PL-42-200 Częstochowa	Poland	C003
Kuisle & Kuisle GmbH	Füssener Straße 22 a, DE-87675 Stötten	Germany	C021
CycleSport North Ltd	363 Leach Place, Walton Summit Center, Preston GB-PR5 8AS	United Kingdom	C049
Firma Handlowo-Usłu- gowo-Produkcyjna 'Trans- Rower' Roman Tylec	Dąbie 47, PL-39-311 Zdziarzec	Poland	C053

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HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

For the purposes of this Decision, the definitions set out in Article 1 of Regulation (EC) No 88/97 shall apply.

Article 2

The parties listed in Table 1 are hereby exempted from the extension by Regulation (EC) No 71/97 of the definitive anti-dumping duty on bicycles originating in the People's Republic of China imposed by Council Regulation (EEC) No 2474/93 (¹) to imports of certain bicycle parts from the People's Republic of China.

The exemptions shall take effect as from the dates of receipt of these parties' requests. These dates are provided for in the column headed 'Date of effect'.

The exemptions shall apply only to the parties specifically referred to in Table 1 with their names and addresses.

The exempted parties shall notify the Commission forthwith, of any change to these, providing all relevant information, in particular on any modification in the party's activities linked to assembly operations with regard to the conditions of exemption.

Table 1

Exempted parties

Name	Address	Country	Exemption pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 88/97	Date of effect	TARIC addit- ional code
c2g-engineering GmbH	Schlesische Straße 27, DE-10997 Berlin	Germany	Article 7	16.12.2013	B934
Solo International Oy	Pyyntitie 1 B, FI-02230 Espoo	Finland	Article 7	26.7.2013	B940
Planet X Ltd	Unit 6, Ignite Business Park, Magna Way, Rother- ham GB-S60 1FD	United Kingdom	Article 7	7.2.2013	A995
Longway Poland Sp. z o.o.	ul. Parzniewska 4a, PL- 05-800 Pruszków	Poland	Article 7	16.12.2013	B935
BBF Bike GmbH	Carena Allee 8, DE- 15366 Hoppegarten	Germany	Article 7	14.1.2014	B936

Article 3

The request for exemption from the extended anti-dumping duty submitted by the party set out in Table 2 is hereby rejected pursuant to Article 7 of Regulation (EC) No 88/97.

The suspension of payment of the extended anti-dumping duty is hereby lifted for this party pursuant to Article 7 of Regulation (EC) No 88/97, as from the date provided for in the column headed 'Date of effect'.

⁽¹) Council Regulation (EEC) No 2474/93 of 8 September 1993 imposing a definitive anti-dumping duty on imports into the Community of bicycles originating in the People's Republic of China and collecting definitively the provisional anti-dumping duty (OJ L 228, 9.9.1993, p. 1).

Table 2

Party for which the suspension shall be lifted

Name	Address	Country	Lifting of suspension pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 88/97	Date of effect	TARIC addit- ional code
S.C EUROBIKE UNIVERSAL S.R.L.	Str. Asociației, nr. 4, Movilița, Ialomița	Romania	Article 7	26.7.2013	B941

Article 4

Updated references to the exempted party listed in Table 3 are provided for in the column headed 'New reference'. The corresponding TARIC additional codes previously attributed to these exempted parties as provided for in the column headed 'TARIC additional code' remain the same.

Table 3

Exempted party for which the reference shall be updated

Former reference	New reference	Country	TARIC addit- ional code	Date of effect
S.N.C. Cicli Olympia di Pasquale e Antonio Fontana & C. Via Galileo Galilei 12/A, IT-35028 Piove di Sacco (PD)	Cicli Olympia S.r.l. Via Galileo Galilei 12/A, IT- 35028 Piove di Sacco (PD)	Italy	A167	1.1.2016

Article 5

The parties listed in Table 4 are under examination pursuant to Article 6 of Regulation (EC) No 88/97.

The suspensions of payment of the extended anti-dumping duty pursuant to Article 5 of Regulation (EC) No 88/97 shall be effective as from the dates of receipt of these parties' requests. These dates are provided for in the column headed 'Date of effect'.

These suspensions shall apply only to the parties under examination specifically referred to in Table 4 with their names and addresses.

These parties shall notify the Commission forthwith, of any change to these, providing all relevant information, in particular on any modification in the party's activities linked to assembly operations with regard to the conditions of suspension.

Table 4 Parties under examination

Name	Address	Country	Suspension pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 88/97	Date of effect	TARIC addit- ional code
In Cycles — Montagem e Comércio de Bicicletas Lda	Zona Industrial De Barrô Norte/Sul, N.º 976, Frac- çao A/B e D, AP. 52, PT- 3750-353 Barrô — Águeda	Portugal	Article 5	2.5.2014	B960
PANEX DINAMIC d.o.o.	Dr.Tome Bratkoviča 1, HR-40000 Čakovec	Croatia	Article 5	13.8.2014	B963
CICLI EUROPA s.r.l.	34 Via portella Bifuto, IT- 93017 San Cataldo (CL)	Italy	Article 5	10.9.2014	C001
OLYMPIQUE SARL	ZA Les Epalits, FR-42610 Saint-Romain-le-Puy	France	Article 5	28.10.2014	C002
Interbike Spólka z o.o.	ul. Śląska 6/5, PL-42-200 Częstochowa	Poland	Article 5	18.12.2014	C003
Kuisle & Kuisle GmbH	Füssener Straße 22 a, DE- 87675 Stötten	Germany	Article 5	17.2.2015	C021
CycleSport North Ltd	363 Leach Place, Walton Summit Center, Preston GB-PR5 8AS	United Kingdom	Article 5	27.4.2015	C049
Firma Handlowo-Usłu- gowo-Produkcyjna 'Trans- Rower' Roman Tylec	Dąbie 47, PL-39-311 Zdziarzec	Poland	Article 5	1.7.2015	C053

Article 6

This Decision is addressed to the Member States and to the parties listed in Articles 2, 3, 4 and 5. It is also published in the Official Journal of the European Union.

Done at Brussels, 15 December 2015.

For the Commission Cecilia MALMSTRÖM Member of the Commission