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or kind sold by the domestic industry and supplied to the same competitive market area, during any three of the months from six months before the initiation of the investigation by the Secretary to the conclusion of the Commission's investigation, unless clear and convincing evidence is presented that, had such sales of foreign merchandise not been made, the domestic industry would not have increased its sales during the three months involved; or

"(2) has been a contributing cause of a decline in the prices at which 50 per centum or more (in units sold or in gross receipts from the sales under consideration) of domestic merchandise of the same class or kind supplied to the competitive market area has been sold by the domestic industry, during any month from six months before the initiation of the investigation by the Secretary to the conclusion of the Commission's investigation; or

"(3) has been a contributing cause of a decline amounting to 5 per centum or more (in man-hours worked or in wages paid) of direct labor employed by a domestic industry in producing merchandise of the same class or kind supplied to a competitive market area, during any three of the months from six months before the initiation of the investigation by the Secretary to the