

Pillow blocks, a type of mounted bearing, was the subject of the special study, primarily because the basket classification in which they are entered was known but also because this basket class (680.50 also includes pulleys and shaft coupling) was the subject of a 50% duty cut pursuant to compensatory negotiations with Canada, the United Kingdom and Japan, effective January 1, 1966. This two-year study showed a dramatic 60% increase of 1966 over 1965 (\$510,560 vs. \$319,203). Other mounted bearings, such as flange, cartridge, take-up and hanger units, are contained in one of several "basket" categories or scattered under "parts of" categories.

The affected Government Agencies must be given the statistical data that will enable them to evaluate safeguard legislation, particularly in matters concerning a threat to the national security. The Department of Commerce deems anti-friction bearings to be of such great defense significance that the Business Defense Services Administration requires domestic producers to report in detail on their output. We submit that if foreign suppliers wish to sell in our market, they too at a minimum, should furnish the same information.

Future of Foreign Trade in Anti-Friction Bearings

Notwithstanding tariff concessions by foreign countries which have been customers for U. S. produced bearings, the unmistakable trend is