

EXHIBIT 3

THE NEED FOR REFORM IN THE ANTIDUMPING ACT TO PREVENT
UNFAIR PRACTICES IN THE IMPORT TRADE

The Antidumping Act, in its administration, has been substantially ineffective in checking unfair practices in the pricing of foreign merchandise for export to the United States.

The Congress has, we believe, in the enactment of the Antidumping Act, granted sufficient authority to the Bureau of Customs to enforce the rules for fair trade practices in our import trade. Due, in part, however, to the pervasive influence of the concept of a total foreign economic policy fostered within the Executive Branch of the Government, our antidumping laws have suffered in their administration to a degree that has made them inefficient instruments for suppressing the development of unfair trade practices in the import trade of the United States.

The principal problem areas requiring attention are as hereinafter described.

Disclosure of information filed by foreign exporters in antidumping investigations is now being significantly immunized from disclosure through the arbitrary use by foreign exporters of the "confidential" classification.

The Customs Regulations provide at Sec. 14.6a(a) that in general all information obtained by the Bureau of Customs in an antidumping proceeding will be available for inspection or copying by any