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A majority of governments took their responsibility!!

Commission proposal imposing final antidumping duty on imports of certain footwear with uppers of leather originating in China and Vietnam

CEC welcomes the decision of the member states to impose anti dumping duties on footwear with leather uppers originating in Vietnam and China.

After two years of hard work, the Confederation can live with the proposed measures (the dumping level was in fact much higher) and thanks the majority of member states that took their responsibility.

The issue was crystal clear:

- The Commission's finding of serious dumping, injury, causation and Community interest to take anti-dumping measures
- The Commission's finding of serious state intervention in China and Vietnam and as a consequence creation of unfair trade
- The fact that under such circumstances, it would be against EC-anti-dumping law to vote against a proposal for the adoption of anti-dumping duties
- A rejection would further make the whole EC anti-dumping law obsolete and would jeopardize future anti dumping cases
- A rejection would have been a very bad signal to all trade partners as it would create the impression that one can get away with dumping. It would stimulate dumping practices and threaten fair and open trade.

CEC fosters open, free and fair trade. Fair trade excludes dumping practices and state intervention.

The European footwear industry has been restructured after the abolition of the quotas to face globalization. But it cannot compete with companies who receive state intervention and apply dumping and other unfair practices.

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