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REFERENCES: (1) Customs Tariff: Items 19201-1  
and 61400-1

(2) Trade of Canada Imports:  
Import Classes 358-05 and 358-09

SECTION I

SCOPE OF ANALYSIS

This report is based on a detailed analysis of imports of shoeboard during the months of January to December 1979. This product is included in the following Statistics Canada Import Classes:

358-05(10) Leatherboard, containing leather fibre  
358-09(10) Board, shoe, made of cellulose fibre

During the years 1974-1979 import class 358-05 increased at an average annual rate of five per cent in real terms and 19 per cent in terms of dollar value. During the same period, import class 358-09 increased at an average annual rate of one per cent in real terms and 23 per cent in terms of dollar value, see Section V.

SECTION II

CANADIAN PRODUCTION

Shoeboard is presently being produced in Canada. However Statistics Canada does not provide separate data on Canadian production or shipments.

### SECTION III

#### ANALYSIS OF IMPORTS

Imports of shoeboard during January to December 1979 amounted to \$5,139,515. This analysis separates shoeboard into end use industry and type.

#### Shoeboard to be used in the manufacture of shoes

The analysis indicates that \$4,610,663 or 90 per cent of the total imports of shoeboard for the period analyzed was to be used in the manufacture of shoes. Shoeboard made from cellulose fiber (saturated) in sheets accounted for \$2,851,766 or 62 per cent of all shoeboard to be used in this industry; followed by reconstituted leatherboard, in sheets, accounting for \$659,669 or 14 per cent.

Imports of all types of shoeboard to be used in this industry entered Canada through two provinces; Ontario and Quebec. The province of Ontario being the largest province of entry accounting for \$2,886,936 or 63 per cent with Quebec accounting for the remaining \$1,723,727 or 37 per cent

#### Shoeboard to be used in the bookbinding and printing industries

Imports of shoeboard to be used in the bookbinding and printing industries amounted to \$97,555 or two per cent of imports for all industries. All shipments were of cellulose fiber (not saturated) in sheets. Ontario and British Columbia were the only provinces of entry, with Ontario being the dominant province.

#### Shoeboard to be used in the manufacture of belts, billfolds and luggage

Imports of shoeboard to be used in the manufacture of belts, billfolds and luggage amounted to \$431,297 or eight per cent of imports for all industries. All shipments were of reconstituted leatherboard in rolls and sheets. Imports of sheets accounted for \$391,560 or 91 per cent with the remaining \$39,737 or nine per cent being imported in rolls. Quebec was the largest province of entry accounting for 58 per cent of imports followed by the province of Ontario accounting for 41 per cent. The remaining one per cent entered various other provinces.

#### Countries of origin of shoeboard - all industries, all types

Total imports into Canada during the period analyzed amounted to \$5,139,515. The United States was the single largest exporter accounting for \$4,250,788 or 83 per cent of all shipments; followed by West Germany with exports amounting to \$379,719 or seven per cent and United Kingdom accounting for \$335,484 or an additional seven per cent of all exports. The remaining \$173,524 or three per cent was exported from France, Italy, Spain and the Netherlands.

Full details of the analysis are provided in the following table.

IMPORTS OF SHOEBOARD

JANUARY TO DECEMBER 1979

<u>Apparent End Use Industry</u> <u>Shoe</u>	<u>Thickness</u> (Decimal Inch)	<u>Size</u> (Inch)	<u>Quantity</u>		<u>Value</u> ( <u>\$</u> )
			<u>Sheets</u> (No.)	<u>Rolls</u> (No.)	
Cellulose, Saturated:(Sheets)	.0150 to .0350	15 x 50 to 50 x 50	90,877	-	158,022
	.0355 to .0600	10.75 x 54 to 56 x 56	142,128	-	281,873
	.0630 to .0900	15 x 51 to 60 x 60	455,673	-	1,415,583
	.0938 to .02460	20.25 x 54 to 58 x 59	175,029	-	806,132
	Not Shown	-	128,749	-	190,156
			<u>992,456</u>		<u>2,851,766</u>
Cellulose, Not Saturated:(Sheets)	.0210 to .0350	22 x 46 to 44 x 54	8,575	-	22,410
	.0420 to .0500	44 x 50 to 44 x 54	20,200	-	31,141
	.0525 to .0600	44 x 50 to 44 x 54	19,629	-	34,149
	.0630	40 x 44 to 44 x 60	16,044	-	31,138
	.0700 to .0750	44 x 50 to 44 x 54	18,501	-	42,000
	.0800 & .0840	22 x 54 to 44 x 56	23,232	-	47,408
	.0850 & .0900	44 x 50 & 44 x 51	9,726	-	26,008
	.0945 to .1890	44 x 50 to 44 x 54	28,568	-	91,699
Not Shown	-	21,949	-	43,395	
			<u>166,424</u>		<u>369,348</u>
*Cellulose,Saturated & Not Saturated (Rolls)	Various	9.75 to 58	-	425,317	452,778
Leatherboard (Sheets)	Various	Various	-	-	277,102
Leatherboard,Reconstituted: (Sheets)	.0210 & .0420	33 x 48 & 44 x 55	2,692	-	6,729
	.0525	33 x 48 & 44 x 55	4,450	-	14,241
	.0630 to .0735	31.89 x 46.85 to 44 x 55	26,550	-	77,382
	.0790 & .0840	34 x 55 to 47 x 64	5,888	-	23,036
	.0945 to .1050	33 x 48 to 44 x 55	29,238	-	111,810
	.1060 to .1260	31 x 48 to 47 x 64	53,651	-	221,705
	.1300 to .1575	31.10 x 48.03 to 34 x 55	3,700	-	11,009
	.1673 & .1680	33.07 x 48.03 to 44 x 55	1,202	-	7,093
	.1700 & .1785	33.07 x 48.03 & 36 x 55	2,710	-	15,037
Not Shown	-	-	-	171,627	
					<u>659,669</u>
TOTAL - Shoe					<u>4,610,663</u>

<u>Apparent End Use Industry</u>	<u>Thickness</u> (Decimal Inch)	<u>Size</u> (Inch)	<u>Quantity</u>		<u>Value</u> (\$)
			<u>Sheets</u> (No.)	<u>Rolls</u> (No.)	
<u>Bookbinding and Printing</u>					
Cellulose, Not Saturated (Sheets)	Not Shown	-	-	-	97,555
<u>Belt, Billfold and Luggage</u>					
Leatherboard, Reconstituted:					
	Rolls	Not Shown	-	-	39,737
	Sheets	Not Shown	-	-	391,560
TOTAL - Belt, Billfold and Luggage					431,297
GRAND TOTAL					5,139,515

NOTES: \* - Aggregated in order to preserve confidentiality  
 - Dollar values shown are based on selling price F.O.B. plant, in Canadian dollars.  
 - All percentage figures are rounded

SECTION IV

EXPORTERS TO CANADA

Major exporters to Canada of shoeboard for the months January to December 1979 as analyzed in Section III are as follows:

United Kingdom

Avalon Shoe Supply Ltd. (Div. of Avalon Industries) Somerset  
Chamberlain Phipps International Ltd. Northampton

West Germany

Chemische Werke Salamander Turlcheim, Bavaria

Netherlands

Kappa Board and Paper Div. Winschoten, Holland  
Nederlandse Vezello B.V. A.K. Waalwijk

United States

Bensons International Systems	New York, NY
Bixby International Corp.‡	Haverhill, MA
Colonial Fiber Co.	Manchester, CT
Colonial Fiber Co.	Covington, TN
Empire State Leather Corp.	*New York, NY
Georgia Bonded Fibers Inc.	Buena Vista, VA
W.R. Grace & Co.	Owensboro, KY
Jenkins Products Corp.	Bridgewater, MA
Oliner Fibre Co. Inc.	Brooklyn, NY
Premoid Corp.	West Springfield, MA
Robus Products Corp.	Madison, IN
Texon Inc.	So. Hadley, MA

NOTE: \* - Country of Origin is West Germany

SECTION V

IMPORT TRENDS

Imports by major country of export.

Import Class 358-05 "Leatherboard"

Calendar Years 1974 - 1979

Country of Export	1974		1975		1976		1977		1978		1979		% GROWTH P.A. 1974-1979	
	cwt	\$,000	cwt	\$,000	cwt	\$,000	cwt	\$,000	cwt	\$,000	cwt	\$,000	Qty.	Value
United Kingdom	7,364	210	4,023	149	6,783	272	3,376	163	5,714	292	5,660	343	- 5	+ 10
Belgium-Luxembourg	1,771	71	804	53	400	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	..	..
France	2,549	109	2,049	95	1,337	57	205	10	-	-	125	4	..	..
West Germany	284	9	307	25	680	27	63	9	90	16	234	22	- 4	+ 20
Netherlands	-	-	-	-	1,433	62	1,700	76	1,427	69	395	27	..	..
Spain	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,213	56	1,115	58	2,202	146	..	..
United States	2,935	93	4,360	165	2,061	87	1,572	90	3,532	213	10,458	629	+ 29	+ 47
TOTAL	14,903	491	11,543	487	12,694	525	8,129	404	11,878	648	19,074	1,171	+ 5	+ 19

Import Class 358-09 "Shoebord n.e.s."

United Kingdom	50	2	9	-	166	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	..	..
Belgium-Luxembourg	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	456	24	-	-	..	..
France	-	-	23	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	..	..
Italy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	145	4	45	3	..	..
Netherlands	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,099	16	1,377	26	..	..
United States	59,188	1,492	47,098	1,462	59,831	2,021	40,523	2,027	55,296	3,226	61,094	4,125	+ 1	+ 23
TOTAL	59,238	1,494	47,130	1,464	59,997	2,027	40,523	2,027	56,996	3,270	62,516	4,153	+ 1	+ 23

NOTES: Figures may not add due to rounding  
.. Not appropriate

SOURCE: Statistics Canada

SECTION VI

CANADIAN AND FOREIGN TARIFFS

CANADA

The products included in this analysis were dutiable under the following most commonly applied tariff items.

<u>Tariff Item</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>British Preferential Tariff</u>	<u>Most Favoured Nation Tariff</u>	<u>General Tariff</u>	<u>General Preferential Tariff</u>
19201-1	Shoeboard, in rolls or sheets, of paper or paperboard, not less than 0.012 inch in thickness .....	5%	5%	35%	3%
61400-1	Leather-board, leatheroid, and manufactures thereof, n.o.p.....	15%	20%	25%	13%

Tariff items and rates of duty are subject to change, and need to be verified by direct reference to:

Customs Programs Branch, Secretariat  
Department of National Revenue  
Customs and Excise  
OTTAWA K1A 0L5

FOREIGN COUNTRIES

Inquiries concerning tariffs and other government trade regulations in foreign countries should be directed to:

International Bureaux  
Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce  
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