Judgment of the General Court of 30 April 2015 — VTZ and Others v Council

(Case T-432/12) (1)

(Dumping — Imports of certain seamless pipes and tubes, of iron or steel, originating in Russia and Ukraine — Definitive anti-dumping duty — Expiry review — Likelihood of recurrence of injury — European Union interest — Manifest error of assessment — Obligation to state reasons)

(2015/C 198/39)

Language of the case: English

Parties

Applicants: Volžskij trubnyi zavod OAO (VTZ OAO) (Volzhksy, Russia); Taganrogskij metallurgičeskij zavod OAO (Tagmet OAO) (Taganrog, Russia); Sinarskij trubnyj zavod OAO (SinTZ OAO) (Kamensk-Uralsky, Russia); Severskij trubnyj zavod OAO (STZ OAO) (Polevskoy, Russia) (represented by: J.-F. Bellis, F. Di Gianni, G. Coppo and C. Van Hemelrijck, lawyers)

Defendant: Council of the European Union (represented by: S. Boelaert, acting as Agent, assisted initially by G. Berrisch and A. Polcyn, and subsequently by A. Polcyn and D. Geradin, lawyers)

Intervener in support of the defendant: European Commission (represented by: M. França and A. Stobiecka-Kuik, acting as Agents)

Re:

APPLICATION for annulment of Council Implementing Regulation (EU) No 585/2012 of 26 June 2012 imposing a definitive anti-dumping duty on imports of certain seamless pipes and tubes, of iron or steel, originating in Russia and Ukraine, following an expiry review pursuant to Article 11(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1225/2009, and terminating the expiry review proceeding concerning imports of certain seamless pipes and tubes, of iron or steel, originating in Croatia (OJ 2012 L 174, p. 5), in so far as it applies to the applicants.

Operative part of the judgment

The Court:

- 1. Dismisses the action;
- 2. Orders Volžskij trubnyi zavod OAO (VTZ OAO), Taganrogskij metallurgičeskij zavod OAO (Tagmet OAO), Sinarskij trubnyj zavod OAO (SinTZ OAO) and Severskij trubnyj zavod OAO (STZ OAO) to bear their own costs and to pay those incurred by the Council of the European Union;
- 3. Orders the European Commission to bear its own costs.

(1) OJ C 366, 24.11.2012.

Judgment of the General Court of 29 April 2015 — Changshu City Standard Parts Factory and Ningbo Jinding Fastener v Council

(Joined Cases T-558/12 and T-559/12) (1)

(Dumping — Imports of certain iron or steel fasteners originating in China — Amendment of the regulation imposing a definitive anti-dumping duty — Article 2(10) and (11) of Regulation No 1225/2009 — Calculation of the dumping margin — Adjustments — Obligation to state reasons)

(2015/C 198/40)

Language of the case: English

Parties

Applicants: Changshu City Standard Parts Factory (Changshu City, China); and Ningbo Jinding Fastener Co. Ltd (Ningbo, China) (represented by: R. Antonini and E. Monard, lawyers)

Defendant: Council of the European Union (represented by: S. Boelaert, acting as Agent, assisted initially by G. Berrich and A. Polcyn, subsequently by A. Polcyn and finally by D. Geradin, lawyers)

Interveners in support of the defendant: European Commission (represented by: M. França and T. Maxian Rusche, acting as Agents); and European Industrial Fasteners Institute AISBL (EIFI) (represented by: J. Bourgeois and R. Grasso, lawyers)

Re:

Actions for annulment of Council Implementing Regulation (EU) No 924/2012 of 4 October 2012, amending Regulation (EC) No 91/2009 imposing a definitive anti-dumping duty on imports of certain iron or steel fasteners originating in the People's Republic of China (OJ 2009 L 275, p. 1).

Operative part of the judgment

The Court:

- 1) Dismisses the actions;
- 2) Orders Changshu City Standard Parts Factory and Ningbo Jinding Fastener Co. Ltd to bear their own costs and to pay those of the Council of the European Union and European Industrial Fasteners Institute AISBL (EIFI);
- 3) Orders the European Commission to bear its own costs.
- (1) OJ C 46, 16.2.2013.

Judgment of the General Court of 29 April 2015 — National Iranian Gas Company v Council (Case T-9/13) $(^1)$

(Common Foreign and Security Policy — Restrictive measures taken against Iran with the aim of preventing nuclear proliferation — Freezing of funds — Objection of illegality — Error of law — Proportionality — Right to property — Jurisdiction of the Council — Obligation to state reasons — Rights of the defence — Review of the restrictive measures adopted — Right to effective judicial protection — Error of assessment)

(2015/C 198/41)

Language of the case: French

Parties

Applicant: The National Iranian Gas Company (Teheran, Iran) (represented by: E. Glaser and S. Perrotet, lawyers)

Defendant: Council of the European Union (represented by: A. Vitro and M. Bishop, Agents)

Re:

First, application for partial annulment of Article 1, point 8, of Council Decision 2012/635/CFSP of 15 October 2012 amending Decision 2010/413/CFSP concerning restrictive measures against Iran (OJ 2012 L 282, p. 58) and, secondly, application for annulment of Decision 2012/635, of Council Implementing Regulation (EU) No 945/2012 of 15 October 2012 implementing Regulation (EU) No 267/2012 concerning restrictive measures against Iran (OJ 2012 L 282, p. 16), and of the decision communicated by the Council's letter of 14 March 2014, in so far as the inclusion of the applicant's name in Annex II to Council Decision 2010/413/CFSP of 26 July 2010 concerning restrictive measures against Iran and repealing Common Position 2007/140/CFSP (OJ 2010 L 195, p. 39), and in Annex IX to Council Regulation (EU) No 267/2012 of 23 March 2012 concerning restrictive measures against Iran and repealing Regulation (EU) No 961/2010 (OJ 2012 L 88, p. 1) is concerned.