



**COUNCIL OF  
THE EUROPEAN UNION**



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## **Council imposes anti-dumping duty on footwear imports from China and Vietnam**

The Council adopted today<sup>1</sup> a Regulation imposing a definitive anti-dumping duty on imports into the EU of footwear with leather uppers originating in China and Vietnam (12516/1/06).

The Regulation is aimed at protecting the EU footwear market by imposing duties of 16,5% and 10% on leather footwear imports from China and Vietnam, respectively.

The anti-dumping measures will be applicable for a period of two years.

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<sup>1</sup> The decision was taken by simple majority, without discussion, at the Justice and Home Affairs Council meeting.

# **P R E S S**

Adoption of the measures follows a Commission investigation, initiated in July 2005, confirming the existence of dumping and injury to Community producers. As a result of the investigation, the Commission imposed last April a provisional anti-dumping duty on imports into the EU of certain footwear with leather uppers from China and Vietnam.

The new measures will enter into force on 7 October, date of expiry of the provisional duty.

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