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TEXT:
Sorry for the delay in providing comments. I was unable to reach

Gordana until now.

1. the language on Japan is fine (1.a.)
2. Regarding Russia (1.d.), as far as we know they are planning to attend the November OECD steel meeting.
3. Regarding the ITC study (5): I think the first para is what Alan

wanted to steer clear of. Gordana did not see a problem with the new language. However, she thought that we might want to discuss (in general) with the ITC to see if this is doable. If the study needs to be whittled down, we could have it focus on labor and the environment (pts 4&5). I sent comments on Alan's latest proposals in a separate email. Basically, options 1 & 3 are fine. We may need to be careful with point 2 to ensure that we are not helping the steel industry at the expense of other industries (i.e. wood).

4. Becker proposal (13). The OECD steel committee is not the appropriate forum to conduct this study. Presumably, if we were to adopt Wolf's proposal currently bracketed in the text, it deals with labor standards and should take care of Becker's concerns. This appears to be something that Alan and the unions support.

Alternatively, as I mentioned in a previous email, we could have the OECD Labor Cmt study on labor and trade (which is currently being updated) referred to the steel committee for review. In any event, the OECD steel committee is not the place for this study to be undertaken.

5. I need to float Becker's proposal in #14 by a few people here.

While I doubt we would have a problem, I need to find out if this would somehow constitute a subsidy.

That's all for now.

Marsha

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