

Economics Legislation Committee
ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE
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DEPARTMENT: DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND SCIENCE

TOPIC: Solar panel dumping

REFERENCE: Written Question – Senator Xenophon

QUESTION No.: SI-59

I refer in particular to Chapter 8 of the Termination Report ‘Has dumping caused material injury or hindrance to the establishment of an industry?’ in which the Commission reports that the injury or hindrance are ‘negligible’.

I note the weighted average dumping margin of 21.1 per cent – how did the Commission conclude that this margin in particular would have a negligible effect of Tindo?

Did the Commission consider the effects that countervailing duties would have on Tindo/the Australian industry?

ANSWER

The Commission explained this decision in Report 239.

Tindo Manufacturing Pty Ltd did not apply for the publication of a countervailing duty notice. Accordingly the Commission did not consider whether there was a ‘countervailable subsidy’ or the effects that countervailing duties would have on Tindo or the Australian industry