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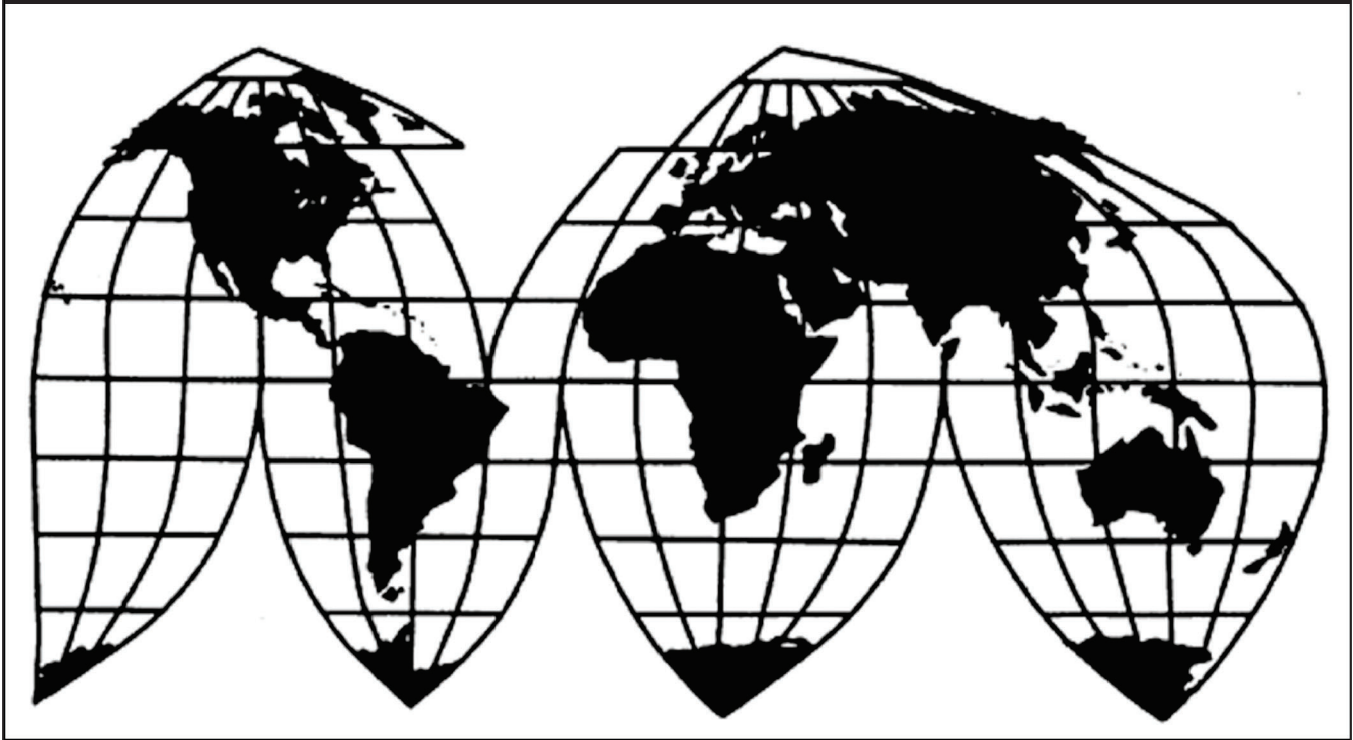
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Investigation No. 337-TA-1125

**ISSUANCE OF A GENERAL EXCLUSION ORDER AND
CEASE AND DESIST ORDERS; TERMINATION OF THE INVESTIGATION**

AGENCY: U.S. International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the U.S. International Trade Commission has determined to issue: (1) a general exclusion order (“GEO”) prohibiting the unlicensed importation of platforms that sit on an existing desk or work surface and can be adjusted to different heights that infringe one or more of claims 1-2, 4, and 10-11 of U.S. Patent No. 9,113,703 (“the ’703 patent”); claims 11, 16, 18, and 22-26 of U.S. Patent No. 9,277,809 (“the ’809 patent”); claims 1, 4-5, 11-12, 26, and 33-36 of U.S. Patent No. 9,554,644 (“the ’644 patent”); and claims 20-21 and 40-50 of U.S. Patent No. 9,924,793 (“the ’793 patent”); and (2) cease and desist orders (“CDO”) against certain respondents that had not participated in the above-captioned investigation. The investigation is terminated in its entirety.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cathy Chen, Esq., Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20436, telephone (202) 205-2392. Copies of non-confidential documents filed in connection with this investigation are or will be available for inspection during official business hours (8:45 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.) in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20436, telephone (202) 205-2000. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its Internet server (<https://www.usitc.gov>). The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission’s Electronic Docket Information System (“EDIS”) (<https://edis.usitc.gov>). Hearing-impaired persons are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission’s TDD terminal, telephone (202) 205-1810.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On July 30, 2018, the Commission instituted this investigation based on a complaint and supplements thereto filed on behalf of Varidesk LLC (“Varidesk”) of Coppell, Texas. 83 FR 36621 (July 30, 2018). The complaint alleges violations of section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. 1337, based upon the importation into the United States, the sale for importation, and the sale within the United States

after importation of certain height-adjustable desk platforms and components thereof by reason of infringement of one or more claims of the '703, the '809, the '644, and the '793 patents. *Id.* The complaint further alleges that an industry in the United States exists as required by section 337. *Id.*

The Commission's notice of investigation named thirty-one respondents: (1) Albeit LLC of San Francisco, California ("Albeit"); (2) ATC Supply LLC of Plainfield, Illinois ("ATC Supply"); (3) Shenzhen Atc Network Scienology CO., LTD. of Guangdong, China ("Shenzhen ATC"); (4) Best Choice Products of Ontario, California ("Best Choice"); (5) Huizhou Chang He Home Supplies Co., Ltd. of Guangdong, China ("Chang He"); (6) Dakota Trading, Inc. of Emerson, New Jersey ("Dakota"); (7) Designa Inc. of Guangdong, China ("Designa"); (8) Designa Group, Inc. of El Dorado Hills, California ("Designa Group"); (9) Eureka LLC of El Dorado Hills, California ("Eureka"); (10) LaMountain International Group LLC of Elk Grove, California ("LaMountain"); (11) Amazon Import Inc. of El Monte, California ("Amazon Imports"); (12) Hangzhou Grandix Electronics Co., Ltd. of Zhejiang, China ("Grandix"); (13) Ningbo GYL International Trading Co., Ltd. of Zhejiang, China ("Ningbo GYL"); (14) Knappe & Vogt Manufacturing Co. of Grand Rapids, Michigan ("Knappe & Vogt"); (15) JV Products Inc. of Milpitas, California ("JV Products"); (16) Vanson Distributing, Inc. of Milpitas, California ("Vanson Distributing"); (17) Vanson Group, Inc. of Milpitas, California ("Vanson Group"); (18) S.P. Richards Co. DBA Lorell of Smyrna, Georgia ("Lorell"); (19) Nantong Jon Ergonomic Office Co., Ltd. of Jiangsu, China ("Nantong Jon"); (20) Jiangsu Omni Industrial Co., Ltd. of Jiangsu, China ("Jiangsu Omni"); (21) OmniMax USA, LLC of Anna, Texas ("OmniMax USA"); (22) Haining Orizeal Import and Export Co., Ltd. of Zhejiang, China ("Haining Orizeal"); (23) Qidong Vision Mounts Manufacturing Co., Ltd. of Jiangsu, China ("Vision Mounts"); (24) Hangzhou KeXiang Keji Youxiangongsi of Hangzhou, China ("Hangzhou KeXiang"); (25) Smugdesk, LLC of La Puente, California ("Smugdesk"); (26) Venditio Group, LLC of Elkton, Florida ("Venditio"); (27) Versa Products Inc. of Los Angeles, California ("Versa"); (28) Victor Technology, LLC of Bolingbrook, Illinois ("Victor"); (29) CKnapp Sales, Inc. DBA Vivo of Goodfield, Illinois ("Vivo"); (30) Wuhu Xingdian Industrial Co., Ltd. of Anhui, China ("Wuhu Xingdian"); and (31) Wuppessen, Inc. of Ontario, California ("Wuppessen"). *Id.* The Office of Unfair Import Investigations ("OUII") was also named as a party in this investigation. *Id.*

During the course of the investigation, Varidesk settled with the following respondents: Venditio, Jiangsu Omni, OmniMax USA, Knappe & Vogt, Wuppessen, Victor, Versa, Designa, Designa Group, Eureka, Chang He, Vision Mounts, Vivo, Nantong Jon, Best Choice, Grandix, Hangzhou KeXiang, Lorell, and Dakota. Order No. 7, *unreviewed*, Notice (Sept. 18, 2018); Order No. 11, *unreviewed*, Notice (Sept. 25, 2018); Order No. 12, *unreviewed*, Notice (Oct. 4, 2018); Order No. 13, *unreviewed*, Notice (Oct. 4, 2018); Order No. 16, *unreviewed*, Notice (Nov. 9, 2018); Order No. 18, *unreviewed*, Notice (Nov. 29, 2018); Order No. 20, *unreviewed*, Notice (Feb. 21, 2019); Order No. 23, *unreviewed*, Notice (Mar. 12, 2019); Order No. 25, *unreviewed*, Notice (Apr. 5, 2019); Order No. 31, *unreviewed*, Notice (May 16, 2019). In addition, the investigation terminated as to LaMountain based on a consent order stipulation. Order No. 15, *unreviewed*, Notice (Oct. 22, 2018). The investigation has also previously terminated as to certain claims of each asserted patent. Order No. 30, *unreviewed*, Notice (May 13, 2019).

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