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Committee on Safeguards

NOTIFICATION UNDER ARTICLE 12.1(A) OF THE AGREEMENT ON SAFEGUARDS ON INITIATION OF AN INVESTIGATION AND THE REASONS FOR IT

TURKEY

(Yarn of nylon or other polyamides)

The following communication, dated 3 January 2019, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of Turkey.

Republic of Turkey hereby notifies the Committee on Safeguards, pursuant to Article 12.1(a) of the Agreement on Safeguards on initiation of a safeguard investigation on imports of yarn of nylon or other polyamides.

1. The date when the investigation was initiated

The investigation was initiated on 30/12/2018. The related Communiqué with the number 2018/9 was published in the Official Gazette on the same date.

2. The product subject to the investigation

The product under investigation is hereinafter referred to as "yarn of nylon".

Yarns of nylon are currently classified in the Turkish Customs Tariff Schedule under the customs tariff codes 5402.31, 5402.32.00.00.00, 5402.45, 5402.51 and 5402.61.

3. The reasons for the initiation of investigation

The investigation was initiated upon an evaluation of a safeguard petition from the domestic industry and on the basis of the evidence and the information contained therein.

The information currently available indicates that there has been an increase in imports of yarns of nylon both in absolute terms, and relative to domestic production.

During the period analyzed, there has been a negative trend in certain economic indicators, such as production, domestic sales and employment, of producers of the like product. Furthermore, imported products undercut the prices of the domestic products. Overall, the information currently available shows that there has been a deterioration in the situation of the domestic industry.

The non-confidential summary of the application is available at the internet address below.

https://ticaret.gov.tr/ithalat/ticaret-politikasi-savunma-araclari/korunma-onlemleri/sorusturmalar

4. Further information

The interested parties can download the investigation questionnaires from the investigation page https://ticaret.gov.tr/ithalat/ticaret-politikasi-savunma-araclari/korunma-onlemleri/sorusturmalar

The interested parties are required to fill in the questionnaires within 30 (thirty) days from the date of publication of the Communiqué and forward it to the General Directorate. Interested parties may ask for technical assistance from the investigating authority while filling out the questionnaires.

The companies and institutions established in Turkey shall send the questionnaires and their official views from their official registered electronic mail-KEP address to the registered electronic mail-KEP address of the Ministry.

The address for electronic mail: ekonomi@hs01.kep.tr

Those who want to be interested parties as companies, institutions and establishments abroad shall send their answers to the questionnaires and their official views to the Ministry's e-mail address below.

Directorate General E-mail address: ithebys@ticaret.gov.tr

Interested parties may state, in the application form, their request to be heard by the investigating authority. The date and venue of the hearing and other information regarding the investigation will also be announced internet address cited in Article 3.

The address of the investigating authority for correspondence is:

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