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NOTIFICATION PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 12.1(C) OF THE AGREEMENT ON SAFEGUARDS

REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA

Supplement

The following communication, dated 13 February 2008, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of Moldova.

With reference to Article 12.6 of the Agreement on Safeguards, the Republic of Moldova notifies the Committee on Safeguards that the Parliament of the Republic of Moldova has adopted the Law nr. 289-XVI from 20 December 2007, which provides the extension of safeguard measure to imports of sugar in Moldova.

There is established, for a period of four years, an exceptional special custom duty for goods corresponding to tariff lines "1701 Cane or beet sugar and chemically pure sucrose, in solid form", "1702 90 790 ---- Other", "1702 90 990 -- Other" and "2106 90 590 ---- Other", classified in conformity with Goods Nomenclature of the Republic of Moldova, approved by Government Decision nr. 54 on 26.01.2004, which has the following values:

- 39 per cent, but not less than 115 Euros per tonne, from 16 February to 31 December 2008;
- 38 per cent, but not less than 110 Euros per tonne, from 1 January to 31 December 2009;
- 37 per cent, but not less than 105 Euros per tonne, from 1 January to 31 December 2010;
- 36 per cent, but not less than 100 Euros per tonne, from 1 January 2011 to 15 February 2012 excepting the tariff line 1701, for which the application period expires on 31 July 2011.

The respective tax is applied additionally to actual custom duty regardless to country of origin of goods, it is calculated and levied on basis of custom value in accordance to law in force and it is entered into the dutiable value of goods.

The present law comes into force on 16 February 2008.