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**Council for Trade in Goods Committee on Safeguards** 

## IMMEDIATE NOTIFICATION UNDER ARTICLE 12.5 OF THE AGREEMENT ON SAFEGUARDS TO THE COUNCIL FOR TRADE IN GOODS OF PROPOSED SUSPENSION OF CONCESSIONS AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS REFERRED TO IN PARAGRAPH 2 OF ARTICLE 8 OF THE AGREEMENT ON SAFEGUARDS

**B**RAZIL

The following communication, dated and received on 13 December 2021, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Brazil.

Pursuant to Article 12.5 of the Agreement on Safeguards (hereinafter the AS) and to the joint communications G/L/1398 - G/SG/263 and G/L/1398/Suppl.1 - G/SG/263/Suppl.1, in accordance with the agreed format for notifications (G/SG/1, 1 July 1996, amended 19 October 2009, G/SG/1/Rev.1 - G/SG/N/6/Rev.1 - G/SG/89), Brazil hereby notifies the Council for Trade in Goods of the proposed suspension of concessions and other obligations referred to in paragraph 2 of Article 8 of the AS.

1. Which Member is proposing suspension of concessions and other obligations referred to in Article 8.2.

Brazil.

2. Specify the measure, the product subject to the measure, the WTO document that notified the safeguard measure, and the Member imposing the measure in relation to which the Member is proposing suspension of concessions and other obligations referred to in Article 8.2.

On 1 July 2021, the United Kingdom extended the safeguard measure on certain steel products originally applied by the European Union.

The extension was notified by means of document G/SG/N/8/GBR/1/Suppl.3 - G/SG/N/10/GBR/1/Suppl.1 - G/SG/N/11/GBR/1/Suppl.1.

The products subject to the extended measure can be found in Table 3 in the Annex of the above-mentioned notification.

For product categories 1, 2, 4, 5, 13, 19, 20, 21, 25A, 25B, and 26, tariff rate quotas (TRQs) and an out-of-quota safeguarding duty of 25% were applied and extended for a period of three years.

For product categories 6, 7, 12, 16, and 17, TRQs and an out-of-quota safeguarding duty of 25% were applied and extended for a period of one year.

## 3. Describe the proposed suspension of concessions and other obligations referred to in Article 8.2, and the proposed date from which it will come into effect.

Brazil hereby reserves its right to suspend the application of substantially equivalent concessions or other obligations under GATT 1994 to the trade of the United Kingdom, pursuant to Article 8 of the AS.

The details of the suspension of concessions or other obligations under GATT 1994 will be provided to the Council for Trade in Goods before its application.

This notification is without prejudice to the ongoing consultations between Brazil and the United Kingdom under Articles 8.1 and 12.3 of the AS. If an adequate means of trade compensation for the adverse effects of the measure, pursuant to Article 8.1 of the AS, is reached in the course of these consultations, Brazil will not exercise the right to suspend concessions notified hereby.