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**IMPOSITION OF A SAFEGUARD MEASURE BY COOPERATION COUNCIL FOR THE ARAB
STATES OF THE GULF "GCC" ON IMPORTS OF CERTAIN STEEL PRODUCTS**

REQUEST FOR CONSULTATIONS UNDER ARTICLE 12.3 OF THE AGREEMENT ON SAFEGUARDS

TURKEY

The following communication, dated and received on 24 May 2021, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Turkey.

With reference to the notification (G/SG/N/8/ARE/3/Suppl.1 - G/SG/N/8/BHR/3/Suppl.1 - G/SG/N/8/KWT/3/Suppl.1 - G/SG/N/8/OMN/3/Suppl.1 - G/SG/N/8/QAT/3/Suppl.1 - G/SG/N/8/SAU/3/Suppl.1 - G/SG/N/10/ARE/3 - G/SG/N/10/BHR/3 - G/SG/N/10/KWT/3 - G/SG/N/10/OMN/3 - G/SG/N/10/QAT/3 - G/SG/N/10/SAU/3 - G/SG/N/11/ARE/4 - G/SG/N/11/BHR/4 - G/SG/N/11/KWT/4 - G/SG/N/11/OMN/4 - G/SG/N/11/QAT/4 - G/SG/N/11/SAU/4) by GCC, Turkey hereby requests consultations with GCC pursuant to Article 12.3 of the World Trade Organization (WTO) Agreement on Safeguards, as a Member having substantial interest as an exporter of the products concerned.

According to Article 12.3 of the WTO Agreement on Safeguards, adequate opportunity for prior consultations shall be provided before the application of any safeguard measure, with a view to, *inter alia*, reviewing the information provided under Article 12.2, exchanging views on the measure and reaching an understanding on ways to achieve the objective set out in Article 8.1 of the Agreement.

Turkey would like to propose that the consultations mentioned above take place by videoconference on any convenient date, preferably in the week of 7 June 2021 and looks forward to receiving GCC's response to this request.

Turkey reserves all its rights under the Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization and its Annexes including the Agreement on Safeguards.
