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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

INDONESIA

(Ceramic flags and paving, hearth or wall tiles; ceramic mosaic cubes and the like, whether or not on a backing)

The following communication, dated 3 April 2018, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of Indonesia.

Pursuant to Article 12.1(a) of the WTO Agreement on Safeguards, the Republic of Indonesia hereby wishes to notify the Committee on Safeguards that the Indonesian Safeguards Committee (Komite Pengamanan Perdagangan Indonesia/KPPI), hereinafter referred as "the Investigating Authority", has initiated a safeguard investigation on the imports of the product under investigation.

On 26 March 2018, an application for a safeguard measures was received by the Investigating Authority from Indonesian Ceramic Industry Association (*Asosiasi Aneka Industri Keramik Indonesia*/ASAKI), hereinafter referred as "the Applicant", against importation of the product under investigation. After examining the properly documented application, the Investigating Authority concluded that there was a sufficient evidence to justify the initiation of a safeguard investigation.

1 THE DATE OF INITIATION OF SAFEGUARD INVESTIGATION

The investigation was initiated on 29 March 2018.

2 PRODUCT UNDER INVESTIGATION

Ceramic flags and paving, hearth or wall tiles; ceramic mosaic cubes and the like, whether or not on a backing, under HS. codes 6907.21.21, 6907.21.22, 6907.21.23, 6907.21.24, 6907.21.91, 6907.21.92, 6907.21.93, 6907.21.94, 6907.22.11, 6907.22.12, 6907.22.13, 6907.22.14, 6907.22.91, 6907.22.92, 6907.22.93, 6907.22.94, 6907.23.11, 6907.23.12, 6907.23.13, 6907.23.14, 6907.23.91, 6907.23.92, 6907.23.93, 6907.23.94, 6907.30.11, 6907.30.19, 6907.30.91, and 6907.30.99.

3 REASONS FOR INITIATION OF INVESTIGATION PROCEDURE

- i. The Investigating Authority initiated a safeguard investigation following an evaluation of the application documents filed by the Applicant, which constitutes a major proportion of the total domestic production of the subject goods in Indonesia.
- ii. The non-confidential summary of the application can be found at the internet address below, following the link:

"Berita/Daftar Penyelidikan/Produk yang sedang dalam proses penyelidikan/Ubin Keramik".

http://kppi.kemendag.go.id/asset/direktori/produk/Bukti%20Awal%20ASAKI%20(TDK% 20RAHASIA).PDF

4 POINT OF CONTACT FOR THE INVESTIGATION

The contact information of the Investigating Authority for correspondence is:

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5 DEADLINES AND PROCEDURES TO PRESENT EVIDENCE AND VIEWS BY INTERESTED PARTIES

- i. Those having substantial interest and wishing to be considered as interested parties in this investigation should submit written request within a period of 15 working days in Indonesia from the date of initiation to the Investigating Authority. All submissions and request made by interested parties must be sent both in written letter and in electronic format, and must indicate the name, address, e-mail address, telephone and fax number of the interested parties.
- ii. In Accordance with article 3.1 WTO Agreement on Safeguard, the Government of the Republic of Indonesia will conduct a hearing in order to provide opportunities for those Members who having a substantial interest to present their evidence and views, Hearing is scheduled to be held on Friday, 20 April 2018 at 10.00 -11.30 am. All interested parties, who wish to participate in the hearing and all written evidence and views, submitted to the Investigating Authority not later than 19 April 2018. Registration on the day of the hearing (20 April 2018) will start at 09.00 am and only authorized representatives will have access to the hearing.