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**NOTIFICATION UNDER ARTICLE 12.1(A) UPON TAKING A DECISION
TO APPLY OR EXTEND A SAFEGUARD MEASURE**

UNITED STATES

*Crystalline Silicon Photovoltaic Cells
Whether or Not Partially or Fully Assembled into Other Products*

Supplement

The following communication, dated and received on 8 March 2024, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of the United States.

Pursuant to Article 12.1(a) of the WTO Agreement on Safeguards (Safeguards Agreement), the United States is supplementing its earlier notification¹ regarding the initiation of an investigation to review the situation with respect to the safeguard measure on crystalline silicon photovoltaic cells (whether or not partially or fully assembled into other products).

As previously notified, the U.S. International Trade Commission (Commission) initiated the investigation on 8 June 2023 for the purpose of preparing a report to the President and the Congress, as required by section 204(a)(2) of the Trade Act of 1974 (the Trade Act) (19 U.S.C. sec. 2254(a)(2)) on its monitoring of developments in the domestic industry following the President's decision to impose a safeguard measure on imports of crystalline silicon photovoltaic cells (whether or not partially or fully assembled into other products). Pursuant to the requirements under section 204(a)(2) of the Trade Act, the Commission was due to submit a report on the results of the monitoring to the President and the Congress no later than the mid-point of the extended period of relief – in this case by 6 February 2024. On 6 February 2024, the Commission released its report and a non-confidential copy is attached.² The report can also be downloaded from the ITC's website at: https://www.usitc.gov/commission_publications_library.

¹ [G/SG/N/6/USA/11/Suppl.5](#) (dated 4 July 2023).

² The ITC Report has been submitted electronically. To consult it, please contact Ms Anne Richards of the Rules Division (anne.richards@wto.org).