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**NOTIFICATION UNDER ARTICLE 12.1(A) OF THE AGREEMENT
ON SAFEGUARDS ON INITIATION OF INVESTIGATION
AND THE REASONS FOR IT**

VIET NAM

Certain semi-finished and finished products of alloy and non-alloy steel

Supplement

The following communication dated and received on 8 November 2022, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Viet Nam.

On 04 November 2022, the Ministry of Industry and Trade issued Decision No 2323/QĐ-BCT on an investigation on the extension of Safeguard Measure on certain semi-finished and finished products of alloy and non-alloy steel under HS codes of 7207.11.00; 7207.19.00; 7207.20.29; 7207.20.99; 7224.90.00; 7213.10.00; 7213.91.20; 7214.20.31; 7214.20.41; 7229.90.00; 7228.30.10; 9811.00.10.

1 THE DATE OF INITIATION

The investigation regarding the extension of the safeguards measure was initiated on 4 November 2022.

2 SPECIFY THE PRODUCT SUBJECT TO THE MEASURE.

Certain semi-finished and finished products of alloy and non-alloy steel under HS codes of 7207.11.00; 7207.19.00; 7207.20.29; 7207.20.99; 7224.90.00; 7213.10.00; 7213.91.20; 7214.20.31; 7214.20.41; 7229.90.00; 7228.30.10; 9811.00.10.

3 REFERENCE TO THE WTO DOCUMENT CONTAINING THE MOST RECENT ARTICLE 12.1(C) NOTIFICATION

Further details regarding the measure are set out in the notifications on definitive measures: G/SG/N/8/VNM/3 – G/SG/N/10/VNM/2 – G/SG/N/11/VNM/4 dated 2 August 2016 and notification of the results of a mid-term review of the measure (G/L/1287 – G/SG/N/13/VNM/3 dated 4 December 2018) (G/SG/N/8/VNM/3/Suppl.3 dated 01 April 2020).

4 REASONS FOR INITIATION OF INVESTIGATION PROCEDURE

The investigation was initiated following an evaluation of prima facie evidence provided in the application for the extension of safeguard measure by the Applicant. The Applicant also stated that should the safeguard measure be revoked, the imports would increase significantly, thus the threat of serious injury to the domestic industry will occur.

5 FURTHER INFORMATION

Further information and comments should be sent to:

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