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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

Mineral or chemical fertilizers

Supplement

The following communication, dated 3 February 2020, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Viet Nam.

On 3 September 2019, the Ministry of Industry and Trade issued Decision No 2700 /QD-BCT on an investigation on the extension of Safeguard Measure on "certain mineral or chemical fertilizers" under HS Code 3105.10.90; 3105.30.00; 3105.40.00; 3105.51.00; 3105.59.00; 3105.90.00.

1 THE DATE OF INITIATION

The investigation regarding the extension of the safeguards measure was initiated on 3 September 2019.

2 SPECIFY THE PRODUCT SUBJECT TO THE MEASURE.

Certain mineral or chemical fertilizers under HS Code 3105.10.90; 3105.30.00; 3105.40.00; 3105.51.00; 3105.59.00; 3105.90.00 imported into Viet Nam.

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 notification on definitive measures G/SG/N/8/VNM/6 – G/SG/N/10/VNM/5 – G/SG/N/11/VNM/7 dated 13 March 2018.

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 is to be revoked, the imports would increase significantly, thus the threat of serious injury to the domestic industry will return to occur.

5 FURTHER INFORMATION

Further information and comments should be sent to:

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