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Committee on Safeguards

NOTIFICATION UNDER ARTICLE 12.1(B) OF THE AGREEMENT ON SAFEGUARDS ON FINDING A SERIOUS INJURY OR THREAT THEREOF CAUSED BY INCREASED IMPORTS

NOTIFICATION PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 12.1(C) OF THE AGREEMENT ON SAFEGUARDS

NOTIFICATION PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 9, FOOTNOTE 2 OF THE AGREEMENT ON SAFEGUARDS

CHINA

(Sugar)

Supplement

The following communication, dated 17 July 2018, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of China.

With reference to document G/SG/N/8/CHN/2/Suppl.1-G/SG/N/10/CHN/2-G/SG/N/11/CHN/2, dated 23 May 2017, concerning the safeguard measure in respect of import of sugar, the delegation of China notifies that the list of developing countries (regions) exempted from the safeguard measure that originally accompanied the notification will be revoked on 1 August 2018.

- 1. Specify the measure.
- 2. Specify the product subject to the measure.
- 3. Specify the developing countries to which the measure is not applied under Article 9.1 of the Agreement on Safeguards, and the import shares of these countries individually and collectively.
- 4. Subsequently, <u>if there is a change</u> in the list of developing countries exempted from the safeguard measure pursuant to Article 9.1, please notify:
 - (i) the reference to the WTO document that notified the Members about the initial action under footnote 2 to Article 9.1;
 - Regarding question 1, 2, 3 and 4.(i) about the initial action under footnote 2 to Article 9.1, please refer to the notification in the document G/SG/N/8/CHN/2/Suppl.1-G/SG/N/10/CHN/2-G/SG/N/11/CHN/2.
 - (ii) if applicable, names of the countries which are dropped from the list of developing countries to which the safeguard measure does not apply pursuant to Article 9.1, the list of the countries remaining on the list, the

individual and collective import shares of the developing countries remaining on the list, and the date on which the safeguard measure applies to the countries dropped from the list;

After analyzing the volume of imports of sugar in the period from 22 May 2017 to 21 May 2018, the investigating authority of China found that the imports of sugar from developing countries (regions) which represented individually less than 3% of total imports collectively exceeded 9% in the said period, which was no longer in conformity with the conditions set forth in Article 9.1 of the Agreement on Safeguards for the treatment of developing countries (regions). Accordingly, the above-mentioned list of developing countries (regions) exempted from the safeguard measure should be revoked. The safeguard measure will apply to the imports of sugar from all developing countries (regions) as from 1 August 2018.

Public Notice of the Ministry of Commerce of the People's Republic of China (2018 No. 58), which was adopted on 16 July 2018, is publicly available and may be consulted at http://www.mofcom.gov.cn.

(iii) if applicable, names of the countries which are added to the list of developing countries to which the safeguard measure does not apply pursuant to Article 9.1, the list of all the countries on the list, the individual and collective import shares of the developing countries on the list, and the date from which the safeguard measure does not apply to the countries which are added to the list.