



Safeguard questionnaire (Other Interested Party and Contributor)

Extension Review

Case SE0041: Safeguard Measure of Certain Steel Products

Period of Investigation (POI):

Deadline for response:

Case team contact:

Completed on behalf of:

Party type (select):

Contributor

Government of relevant foreign country or territory (*Interested Party*)

Trade or business association representing overseas exporters or UK importers of the good(s) subject to review (*Interested Party*)

Trade or business association representing UK producers of like goods or directly competitive goods (*Interested Party*)

When you have completed this form, indicate the **confidentiality status** of this document by placing an X in the relevant box below:

- Confidential
- Non-Confidential – will be made publicly available

Please note that you will have to provide **two copies of your response** - a **Confidential** and a **Non-Confidential version**. Both copies should be returned to the TRA using the Trade Remedies Service (www.trade-remedies.service.gov.uk) by **22 October 2023**.



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The scope of this review

Goods subject to review

The goods subject to review in this extension review are detailed in the following table:

Product Number	Product Category	Commodity Codes
1	Non-alloy and other alloy hot-rolled sheet and strip	72081000, 72082500, 72082600, 72082700, 72083600, 72083700, 72083800, 72083900, 72084000, 72085210, 72085299, 72085310, 72085390, 72085400, 72111300, 72111400, 72111900, 72126000, 72251910, 72253010, 72253030, 72253090, 72254015, 72254090, 72261910, 72269120, 72269191, 72269199
2	Non-alloy and other alloy cold-rolled sheet	72091500, 72091690, 72091790, 72091891, 72092500, 72092690, 72092790, 72092890, 72099020, 72099080, 72112320, 72112330, 72112380, 72112900, 72119020, 72119080, 72255020, 72255080, 72262000, 72269200
4	Metallic coated sheet	72102000, 72104100, 72104900, 72106100, 7210690020, 7210690080, 72109080, 72122000, 72123000, 72125020, 72125030, 72125040, 72125061, 72125069, 72125090, 72259100, 72259200, 72259900, 72269910, 72269930, 72269970
5	Organic coated sheet	72107080, 72124080
6	Tin mill products	72091899, 72105000, 72121090, 72101100, 72107010, 72124020, 72101220, 72109040, 72101280, 72121010
7	Non-alloy and other alloy quarto plates	72085120, 72089020, 72254040, 72085191, 72089080, 72254060, 72085198, 72109030, 72085291, 72254012
12A	Alloy merchant bars and light sections	72283020, 72283041, 72283061, 72283069, 72283070, 72283089, 72286020, 72287010
12B	Non-alloy merchant bars and light sections	72143000, 72149110, 72149190, 72149931, 72149939, 72149950, 72149971, 72149979, 72149995, 72159000, 72161000, 72162100, 72162200, 72164010, 72164090, 72165010, 72165091, 72165099, 72169900
13	Rebar	72142000, 72149910
16	Non-alloy and other alloy wire rod	72131000, 72139149, 72271000, 72132000, 72139170, 72272000, 72139110, 72139190, 72279010, 72139120, 72139910, 72279050, 72139141, 72139990, 72279095
17	Angles, shapes, and sections of iron or non-alloy steel	72163110, 72163219, 72163310, 72163190, 72163291, 72163390, 72163211, 72163299
19	Railway material	73021022, 73021028, 73021050
20	Gas pipe	73063041, 73063049, 73063072, 73063077



21	Hollow section	73066110, 73066192, 73066199
25A	Large welded tube (1)	73051100, 73051200
25B	Large welded tube (2)	73051900, 73052000, 73053100, 73053900, 73059000
26	Other welded tube	73061100, 73061900, 73062100, 73062900, 73063012, 73063018, 73063080, 73064020, 73064080, 73065021, 73065029, 73065080, 73066910, 73066990, 73069000

Any reference to the goods subject to review refers to the product categories and commodity codes covered in the table above.

Please refer to the Notice of Initiation on the case file for additional detail regarding the existing safeguard measure.

Like goods

Any reference to 'like goods' in this questionnaire refers to goods produced in the UK which are like the goods subject to review in all respects, or with characteristics closely resembling them.

Directly competitive goods

'Directly competitive goods' are goods produced in the UK which are directly competitive with the goods subject to review.

This can include goods that are not only similar to the goods subject to review, such as a different type or variety, but also include goods that occupy a position of direct competition with the goods subject to review. A directly competitive good may be one that is substitutable with the goods subject to review.



Instructions

About us, this case and this questionnaire

The Trade Remedies Authority (TRA) investigates whether trade remedies are needed to prevent injury to UK industry. The TRA has been established to provide the UK with its own independent trade remedies system.

As part of our work, we are carrying out an extension review of the safeguard measure relating to certain steel products.

This extension review will consider whether the expiry of the definitive safeguarding remedy would likely result in a continuation or a recurrence of serious injury to UK producers of the relevant goods.

Why should I take part?

We are asking contributors and interested parties to complete this questionnaire to inform our review into whether the current safeguard measure should be extended or expire.

The information your company provides will help us to reach a fair and proportionate recommendation.

How do I respond?

Detailed guidance on how to complete the questionnaire is provided in the [instructions](#) section below.

Please provide all the information requested by **22 October 2023**. We may need to issue a deficiency notice if we determine that the information supplied in the questionnaire is incomplete or inadequate. We may also send a notice requesting clarification or supplementary information if necessary. Therefore, please provide as much detail as possible in your responses.

Where can I find more information?

Our [trade remedies guidance](#) provides general information about our investigations and processes we follow.

If you have any specific questions relating to the case, now or while you're completing the questionnaire, please contact the case team at SE0041@traderemedies.gov.uk.



You can also find out more about the regulatory basis of our investigations. The TRA conducts safeguard expiry reviews under section 35 of the *Trade Remedies (Increase in Imports Causing Serious Injury to UK Producers) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019/449*.

Instructions on completing this questionnaire

Preparing your response

This section sets out guidance on how to complete this questionnaire. Please contact the case team directly, using the email address on the cover of this questionnaire, if you have any queries or if you require assistance.

If you think you will not be able to complete the questionnaire within the required time, please contact the case team as soon as possible using the contact details on the cover of this questionnaire. **Due to the restricted timeframe of this extension review, the case team's ability to grant extensions is limited.** You will be required to outline the length of extension and the reasons for it. We will notify you of our decision.

If we can accommodate an extension, we will publish a note on our [public file](#) to record both the request and the extension granted.

How to answer the questions

Please read and follow all the instructions carefully. You will need to substantiate all claims with relevant data and information. You may be asked to attach supporting documents in appendices to supplement your responses. To help us authenticate your information, please retain all these documents, your completed spreadsheet annexes and any calculations you made when developing your responses.

Please also note the following points:

- Do not leave any questions blank. If the question is not relevant to your organisation, please explain why. If the answer to a question is “zero”, “no” or “none”, please write this.
- Please complete the spreadsheet annexes as requested. Annexes are named to correspond to the relevant sections of this questionnaire and must be completed with reference to the instructions provided. If you feel you cannot present the information as requested, please contact the case team as soon as possible.



- Please provide all formulas and calculations used within your questionnaire response.
- If there is insufficient space in any part of the questionnaire to provide the details requested, or we ask for copies of additional information, please submit this information as appendices. Please ensure that any attachments are given a corresponding appendix reference in the title of the document and that these are referenced in the boxes provided.
- Any documents not in English should be accompanied by an English translation.
- Please provide all dates in the format DD/MM/YYYY (e.g. 23/05/2019).
- Unless otherwise stated, 'year' or 'calendar year' refers to the period 1 January – 31 December and 'quarter' refers to the associated three-month periods (e.g. 1 January – 31 March, 1 April – 30 June, etc).
- Identify all units of measurement and currencies used in tables, calculations and lists, if not provided by the corresponding instructions, and use units of measurement consistently (e.g. do not use kg and metric tonnes interchangeably).
- For all numerical figures, where appropriate please express every third number with a comma (e.g. '1,300' for one-thousand three hundred, '1,300,000' for one million and three-hundred thousand).
- Please limit all sales/currency/income figures to two decimal places, apply a full point as a decimal separator and use the appropriate currency symbol or abbreviation (e.g. £1,300.00).
- Provide all costing figures as actual amounts. Where actual amounts cannot be provided and you have reported standard costing instead, please indicate this in the relevant answer, and explain the variance from actual costs, if any.
- All figures should be reported before tax unless otherwise stated.
- Please refer to the case number, SE0041, in any correspondence with the TRA.

Preparing confidential and non-confidential versions

You will need to submit one confidential version and one non-confidential version of your questionnaire and the corresponding spreadsheet annex by the due date. This is so that we can publish the non-confidential version of your information on our public file. **Please ensure that each page of information you provide is clearly marked either “Confidential” or “Non-Confidential” in the header.**

Please see our guidance on [how to submit information](#) for further details on what can be considered confidential and how to prepare a non-confidential version of this questionnaire.

In preparing your response, please note the following:



- It is your responsibility to ensure that the non-confidential version does not contain any confidential information.
- Provide the source for all information or data you don't own and clearly state any restrictions on sharing it.
- If information is confidential, and due to exceptional circumstances, it is incapable of being converted into a confidential format (for example through partial redaction or indexing of figures), please remember to include a statement of reasons. The statement of reasons should be included in the non-confidential submission in place of the confidential information. You should state what the confidential information relates to and explain why it is not possible to delete or redact the answer in a way that would allow for a reasonable understanding of the confidential information (e.g. the data is capable of being reverse engineered, or the whole answer is extremely commercially sensitive).
- If you do not provide a non-confidential summary (or a statement of reasons why you cannot provide this) each time you provide confidential information, the TRA may disregard the information you give us.

All information provided to the TRA in confidence will be treated accordingly and only used for this investigation (except in limited circumstance as permitted by regulation 17 of the Trade Remedies (Increase in Imports Causing Serious Injury to UK Producers) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019) and will be stored in protected systems.

The non-confidential version of your submission will be placed on the public file, at <https://www.trade-remedies.service.gov.uk/public/case/SE0041/> .

What happens next

Once you have completed your questionnaire responses, including the corresponding annex(es) and any additional documents requested, you must upload confidential and non-confidential versions through our [Trade Remedies Service](#). Following this:

- you will receive an email confirming the documents have been uploaded successfully;
- the case team will contact you if further information is required; and
- the non-confidential responses will be placed on the public file.



SECTION A: About the case

A1 General information

1. Please complete the table below. Make sure the point of contact you name has the authority to provide this information.

Name (point of contact):	Swiss Government Embassy of Switzerland in the United Kingdom
Address:	16-18 Montagu Square, W1H 2BQ London
Telephone No:	
Email:	
Website:	https://www.eda.admin.ch/london

If you are representing a company, please also fill in the information below:

Company registration number:	
Place of registration:	
Legal name of organisation:	
Legal structure (e.g. limited company, sole trader, partnership etc):	
Position in the organisation:	
Year of establishment:	
Other operating names:	

2. Please explain your interest in this extension review.

Switzerland has systemic as well as specific interests regarding the UK safeguard measures on certain steel products and their impact on bilateral trade.

Appendix reference:



A2 Information about this review

For each question, please provide any information you have which you feel is relevant to the case. If you have no information, please say so in your answer.

Please substantiate your answers with evidence. Any attachments should be given a corresponding appendix reference in the title of the document and referenced in the boxes provided.

1. Please provide any information about the like or directly competitive goods and the goods subject to review that you consider relevant.

This question is not relevant as this is a submission by a foreign government.

Appendix reference:

2. Please comment on the scope of the review. If you consider that any product categories and/or commodity codes should be added or removed, please explain the reasons why. Provide information about the UK production, UK demand and UK imports for these product categories and/or custom codes. Please substantiate with evidence.

This question is not relevant as this is a submission by a foreign government.

Appendix reference:

3. Please provide any information regarding imports of the goods subject to review during the POI.

This question is not relevant as this is a submission by a foreign government.

Appendix reference:

4. Please comment on the likelihood of the recurrence of an increase in imports of the goods subject to review if the existing safeguard measure were:
 - i) extended; or
 - ii) expired.

Please substantiate with evidence.

This question is not relevant as this is a submission by a foreign government.



Appendix reference:

- 5. If available, please submit any information concerning global export capacities, both currently, and for the foreseeable future. Please substantiate any claims with evidence, where possible.

This question is not relevant as this is a submission by a foreign government.

Appendix reference:

- 6. Please comment on the likelihood of trade diversion to the UK, if the existing safeguard measure were to be removed. In particular, what impact, if any, would you expect trade measures, safeguards measures or other forms of trade control in third country markets to have on the UK market?

This question is not relevant as this is a submission by a foreign government.

Appendix reference:

- 7. Has serious injury to UK producers of the like goods and/or directly competitive goods been removed, or reduced, in whole or in part due to the application of the definitive safeguarding remedy? Serious injury means a significant overall impairment to UK producers' position or the threat of such impairment. Please provide comments in the boxes below and substantiate with evidence.

This question is not relevant as this is a submission by a foreign government.

Appendix reference:

- 8. Please provide any information regarding the likelihood of serious injury to UK producers of the like goods and/or directly competitive goods if the existing safeguard measure on the goods subject to review was:
 - i) extended or
 - ii) expired?

Provide evidence to support your conclusions including what the cause of this injury would be.

This question is not relevant as this is a submission by a foreign government.

Appendix reference:



9. Provide any information you have on other cause(s) of serious injury for the POI to UK producers of the like goods or directly competitive goods.

This question is not relevant as this is a submission by a foreign government.

Appendix reference:

10. Do the circumstances of UK producers of the like goods and/or directly competitive goods, or domestic or overseas market conditions, affect the likelihood that serious injury caused by the importation of the goods subject to review in increased quantities is likely to recur?

This question is not relevant as this is a submission by a foreign government.

Appendix reference:

11. Please provide any information about the adjustment strategies of UK producers of the like goods and/or directly competitive goods since the implementation of the UK safeguard measure on certain steel products. In your answer, please refer to:

- what UK producers intended to do to adjust to the importation of the goods subject to review in increased quantities and why these adjustments have been identified;
- the actions that UK producers plan to take to achieve the intended changes and adjust to the importation of the goods subject to review in increased quantities; and
- the timeframe for completing the actions.

This question is not relevant as this is a submission by a foreign government.

Appendix reference:

12. Please provide any information about the possible economic effects on the UK if the existing safeguard measure on the goods subject to review was:



- i) extended or
- ii) expired?

This information will be used to assess whether maintaining the existing safeguard measure is in the economic interest of the UK as part of the Economic Interest Test. Provide evidence to support your conclusions.

This question is not relevant as this is a submission by a foreign government.

Appendix reference:

13. If you have any other information which may help us with this review, please provide it below.

This question is not relevant as this is a submission by a foreign government.

Appendix reference:

SECTION B: Next steps

Next steps

The questionnaire should be submitted through the Trade Remedies Service (www.trade-remedies.service.gov.uk) by **22 October 2023**.

A confidential and non-confidential version of the questionnaire must be submitted. You can find guidance on how to complete confidential and non-confidential versions at <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-uk-trade-remedies-investigations-process/the-tras-investigation-process#questionnaires-and-information-gathering>.

