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Reference: - Safeguarding review SE0041

To whom it may concern.

I wish to register interest in the above case SE0041, extension review of safeguarding measures on steel products.

I am specifically referring to Bright Drawn Steel Bars in Category 20 (Non-alloy and other alloy cold finished bars). The specific tariff codes are 7215 1000, 7215 5011, 7215 5080 and 7215 5019.

We are UK based Bright Bar manufacturer and are extremely concerned at increased volumes of Bright Bar being imported from EU countries, specifically Spain, Italy and France and ROW countries, specifically Turkey.

Total Imports increased between calendar year 2021 to 2022 by nearly 52% and now make up the majority of Bright Bar supplied into the UK market.

The increased imports are at a time when products produced in the UK from Bright Bar, are in decline.

The UK has already, in 2023, witnessed the closure of one significant producer and without the reintroduction of safeguarding measures the continued manufacture of Bright Bar in the UK could reduce further.

The import prices are already significantly below the UK Market price and as the European market slows down, further price reductions have been offered from Europe for delivery in CQ4/23.