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Dear Sir/Madam,

**Subject: Submission of Comments on the Statement of Intended Final Determination of Extension review of safeguard measure on certain steel products**

The Department of Foreign Trade (the "DFT") of the Ministry of Commerce, on behalf of the Royal Thai Government, refers to the WTO Notifications G/SG/N/6/GBR/1/Suppl.4 and G/SG/N/8/GBR/1/Suppl.8 dated 21 February 2024 under Article 12.1 (B) of the Agreement on Safeguards notifying the Statement of Intended Final Determination of Extension review of safeguard measure on certain steel products.

The DFT hereby wishes to submit comments on the aforementioned safeguard investigations. According to Article 9.1 of the Agreement on Safeguards, safeguard measures shall not be applied against a product originating in a developing country Member as long as its share of imports of the product concerned in the importing Member does not exceed 3 percent. Referring to the Global Trade Atlas statistics, the share of the imports of the alleged products from Thailand during 2018 – 2023 were below 3 percent. Therefore, the importation of those products from Thailand should not be subjected to safeguard measures. Under these circumstances, the DFT respectfully requests the Trade Remedies Authority to exclude Thailand from the imposition of those measures in accordance with Article 9.1 of the Agreement on Safeguards.

The DFT avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Trade Remedies Authority the assurances of its highest consideration.

Sincerely yours,



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