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**IMMEDIATE NOTIFICATION UNDER ARTICLE 12.5 OF THE AGREEMENT
ON SAFEGUARDS TO THE COUNCIL FOR TRADE IN GOODS OF
PROPOSED SUSPENSION OF CONCESSIONS AND OTHER
OBLIGATIONS REFERRED TO IN PARAGRAPH 2
OF ARTICLE 8 OF THE AGREEMENT
ON SAFEGUARDS**

TURKEY

The following communication, dated 21 May 2018, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of Turkey.

Pursuant to Article 12.5 of the Agreement on Safeguards, and in accordance with the agreed format for notifications (G/SG/1, 1 July 1996), the Government of Turkey provides the immediate notification to the Council for Trade in Goods of proposed suspension of concessions and other obligations referred to in paragraph 2 of Article 8.

1. Which Member is proposing suspension of concessions and other obligations referred to in Article 8.2?

Turkey.

2. Specify the measure, the product subject to the measure, the WTO document that notified the safeguard measure, and the Member imposing the measure in relation to which the Member is proposing suspension of concessions and other obligations referred to in Article 8.2

The applied measures taken by the United States on imports of steel and aluminum from 23 March 2018.

In response to Turkey's consultations request (G/SG/183 dated 20 April 2018) with regard to the above-mentioned measures, the United States stated that "these actions are not safeguard measures, and therefore, there is no basis to conduct consultations under the Agreement on Safeguards with respect to these measures." However, Turkey still considers them as safeguard measures which are not consistent with the provisions of the Safeguard Agreement.

3. Describe the proposed suspension of concessions and other obligations referred to in Article 8.2, and the proposed date from which it will come into effect

The proposed suspension of substantially equivalent concessions and other obligations under GATT 1994 to the trade of the United States takes the form of an increase in tariffs on selected products originating in the United States (as indicated in Annex I and calculated as indicated in Annex II). Turkey reserves its right to further suspend substantially equivalent concessions and other obligations based on the rest part of the measures of the United States.

Without prejudice to the effective exercise of its right to suspend substantially equivalent concessions or other obligations referred to in Article 8.2, the Government of Turkey reserves its right to effectuate the proposed suspension from 21 June 2018 and adjust the products as well as the tariff rates.

ANNEX I

The products covered are determined, within the Annex, by HS codes.

	HS CODES	ARTICLE DESCRIPTION	ADDITIONAL DUTY
1	0802	Other nuts, fresh or dried, whether or not shelled or peeled	5%
2	1006	Rice	20%
3	210690	Food preparations, n.e.s.	10%
4	2208	Undenatured ethyl alcohol of an alcoholic strength of < 80%; spirits, liqueurs and other spirituous beverages	40%
5	2401	Unmanufactured tobacco; tobacco refuse	25%
6	2701	Coal; briquettes, ovoids and similiar solid fuels manufactured from coal	10%
7	270400	Coke and semi-coke of coal, of lignite or of peat, whether or not agglomerated; retort carbon	10%
8	271311	Petroleum coke, non-calcined	5%
9	3304	Beauty or make-up preparations and preparations for the care of the skin, incl. sunscreen or suntan preparations (excl. medicaments); manicure or pedicure preparations	30%
10	390410	Poly"vinyl chloride", in primary forms, not mixed with any other substances	32%
11	390810	Polyamides-6, -11, -12, -6,6, -6,9, -6,10 or -6,12, in primary forms	10%
12	3926	Articles of plastics and articles of other materials of heading 3901 to 3914, n.e.s.	30%
13	4401	Fuel wood, in logs, billets, twigs, faggots or similar forms; wood in chips or particles; sawdust and wood waste and scrap, whether or not agglomerated in logs, briquettes, pellets or similar forms	15%
14	4802	Uncoated paper and paperboard, of a kind used for writing, printing or other graphic purposes, and non-perforated punchcards and punch-tape paper, in rolls or in square or rectangular sheets, of any size, and handmade paper and paperboard	10%
15	4804	Uncoated kraft paper and paperboard	10%
16	4811	Paper, paperboard, cellulose wadding and webs of cellulose fibres, coated, impregnated, covered, surface-coloured, surface-decorated or printed, in rolls or in square or rectangular sheets, of any size (excl. goods of heading 4803, 4809 and 4810)	25%
17	550210	Artificial filament tow of cellulose acetate	30%
18	730890	Structures and parts of structures, of iron or steel, n.e.s. (excl. bridges and bridge-sections, towers and lattice masts, doors and windows and their frames, thresholds for doors, props and similar equipment for scaffolding, shuttering, propping or pit-propping)	30%
19	841370	Centrifugal pumps	10%
20	847989	Machines and mechanical appliances, n.e.s.	10%
21	8703	Motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport of persons, incl. station wagons and racing cars	35%
22	902219	Apparatus based on the use of x-rays (other than for medical, surgical, dental or veterinary uses)	5%

ANNEX II

The substantially equivalent concessions or other obligations under GATT 1994 were calculated as follows:

1. The effects on trade due to the measures of the United States on Turkey's steel and aluminum export were calculated as follows: (based on the export value in 2017; in thousand US dollars).

Affected Products	2017		
	Turkish Exports to the US	The US's Increase in Duty	Duty Collected
Steel Products	1.042.541	25%	260.635
Aluminum Products	59.175	10%	5.918
Total	1.101.716		266.553

2. The effects on trade due to application of substantially equivalent concessions on Turkey's imports originating in the U.S. were calculated as follows: (based on the import value in 2017; in thousand US dollars).

	HS CODES	ARTICLE DESCRIPTION	Turkish imports Originating in the US	Additional Duty	Duty Collected
1	0802	Other nuts, fresh or dried, whether or not shelled or peeled	157.381	5%	7.869
2	1006	Rice	36.307	20%	7.261
3	210690	Food preparations, n.e.s.	32.569	10%	3.257
4	2208	Undenatured ethyl alcohol of an alcoholic strength of < 80%; spirits, liqueurs and other spirituous beverages	20.959	40%	8.384
5	2401	Unmanufactured tobacco; tobacco refuse	52.271	25%	13.068
6	2701	Coal; briquettes, ovoids and similiar solid fuels manufactured from coal	325.571	10%	32.557
7	270400	Coke and semi-coke of coal, of lignite or of peat, whether or not agglomerated; retort carbon	70.717	10%	7.072
8	271311	Petroleum coke, non-calcined	291.612	5%	14.581
9	3304	Beauty or make-up preparations and preparations for the care of the skin, incl. sunscreen or suntan preparations (excl. medicaments); manicure or pedicure preparations	32.510	30%	9.753
10	390410	Poly"vinyl chloride", in primary forms, not mixed with any other substances	103.887	32%	33.244
11	390810	Polyamides-6, -11, -12, -6,6, -6,9, -6,10 or -6,12, in primary forms	34.591	10%	3.459
12	3926	Articles of plastics and articles of other materials of heading 3901 to 3914, n.e.s.	32.650	30%	9.795
13	4401	Fuel wood, in logs, billets, twigs, faggots or similar forms; wood in chips or particles; sawdust and wood waste and scrap, whether or not agglomerated in logs, briquettes, pellets or similar forms	90.634	15%	13.595
14	4802	Uncoated paper and paperboard, of a kind used for writing, printing or other graphic purposes, and non-perforated punchcards and punch-tape paper, in rolls or in square or rectangular sheets, of any size, and handmade paper and paperboard	41.714	10%	4.171
15	4804	Uncoated kraft paper and paperboard	106.711	10%	10.671

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16	4811	Paper, paperboard, cellulose wadding and webs of cellulose fibres, coated, impregnated, covered, surface-coloured, surface-decorated or printed, in rolls or in square or rectangular sheets, of any size (excl. goods of heading 4803, 4809 and 4810)	31.456	25%	7.864
17	550210	Artificial filament tow of cellulose acetate	48.353	30%	14.506
18	730890	Structures and parts of structures, of iron or steel, n.e.s. (excl. bridges and bridge-sections, towers and lattice masts, doors and windows and their frames, thresholds for doors, props and similar equipment for scaffolding, shuttering, propping or pit-propping)	90.031	30%	27.009
19	841370	Centrifugal pumps	31.826	10%	3.183
20	847989	Machines and mechanical appliances, n.e.s.	29.906	10%	2.991
21	8703	Motor cars and other motor vehicles principally designed for the transport of persons, incl. station wagons and racing cars	86.976	35%	30.442
22	902219	Apparatus based on the use of x-rays (other than for medical, surgical, dental or veterinary uses)	36.112	5%	1.806
Total			1.784.743		266.536