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**NOTIFICATION UNDER ARTICLE 12.1(A) OF THE AGREEMENT
ON SAFEGUARDS ON INITIATION OF AN INVESTIGATION
AND THE REASONS FOR IT**

UKRAINE

PVC profile

The following communication, dated and received on 8 September 2021, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Ukraine.

Pursuant to Article 12.1(a) of the Agreement on Safeguards and using the format adopted by the Committee on Safeguards (G/SG/N/6), Ukraine notifies the initiation of a safeguard investigation, as follows:

1 Investigation initiation date

On 1 September 2021, the investigation process was initiated in accordance with the Decision of the Interdepartmental Commission on International Trade No SP – 504/2021/4411-03 of 27.08.2021 "On initiation and conducting of safeguard investigation on imports to Ukraine of PVC profile regardless of the country of origin and export".

2 Product subject to investigation

PVC profile, including figured, with or without sealant for windows, window sills and doors, PVC window sill, classified in accordance with UKTZED (Ukrainian classification of foreign economics goods) under codes ex3916 20 00 90 and ex3925 90 80 00.

The mark "ex" prior to classification code means that a safeguard investigation is conducted exclusively on the goods, the description of which is defined in the decision.

3 Reasons for the initiation of investigation

i) The investigation has been initiated pursuant to the petition of the domestic industry in particular by LLC "VIKNALAND", LLC "MAYADO", LLC "OPEN TECK" and with the support of the LLC "MIROPLAST".

ii) The statement sets out sufficiently substantiated evidence based on which it can be considered as having been submitted by the appropriate national producer.

iii) The statement provides sufficient substantiated evidence based on which, during 2018 - 2020, import to Ukraine of PVC profile regardless of country of origin and export increased.

iv) The statement provides sufficient substantiated evidence based on which, during 2018 - 2020, imports in Ukraine PVC profile regardless of country of origin and export was carried out to such an extent and on such conditions that it could cause significant injury to the national producer.

4 The contact point for the investigation and the preferred means for corresponding

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5 Deadlines and procedures for importers, exporters and other interested parties to present evidence

Notice of the Decision of the Interdepartmental Commission on International Trade No SP -504/2021/4411-03 of 27.08.2021 is published in the official newspaper "Uryadoviy Courier" No 167 of September 01, 2021 (<https://cutt.ly/8WTbWHi>).

Within 30 days from the publication notice, the Ministry of Economy of Ukraine carries out registration of interested parties and considers the requirements for conducting of hearings. In investigation initiation enquiry it is necessary to indicate: name, juridical address, fax and telephone number, email and name of contact person, type of activity (producer, importer, exporter, etc.). The recommended form of request for registration as an interested party of an investigation is provided in the annex to the notice.

Within 45 days from the publication notice, the Ministry of Economy of Ukraine considers the written comments on the initiation of investigation. Information shall be provided in Ukrainian or in original language, accompanied by the Ukrainian translation. In case the information is confidential, it is necessary to prepare and submit to the Ministry both confidential and non-confidential versions.
