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Subject: Draft REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on the adjustment of customs duties on the imports of certain goods originating in the United States of America and opening of tariff quotas for imports of certain goods originating in the United States of America (**first reading**)  
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**Joint Statement by the European Parliament and the Commission on the safeguard mechanism under Regulation (EU) 2026/... on the adjustment of customs duties on imports of certain goods originating in the United States of America and opening of tariff quotas for imports of certain goods originating in the United States of America**

The Commission recognises the importance placed by the European Parliament on following closely the implementation of this Regulation as regards the safeguard mechanism allowing for the suspension of preferences granted to the United States. To that end, should the European Parliament recommend that the Commission initiates a safeguard investigation, the Commission will carefully assess whether the circumstances justify an *ex officio* initiation of an investigation and inform the European Parliament of the outcome of its assessment.

**Statement by the Commission on implementing acts under Regulation (EU) 2026/... on the adjustment of customs duties on imports of certain goods originating in the United States of America and opening of tariff quotas for imports of certain goods originating in the United States of America**

The Commission will keep the European Parliament regularly informed and take utmost account of the European Parliament's views before proposing an implementing act under this Regulation.

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