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The Association Council

UE-TR 4810/21

NOTE

From:	Mr Denis REDONNET, Deputy-Director General for Trade, European Commission
On:	30 November 2021
To:	President of the EU-Turkey Association Council
Subject:	Complaint requesting the initiation of an anti-dumping investigation concerning imports of ceramic tiles originating, inter alia, in Turkey

Excellency,

I have the honour to inform you that the Commission received a properly documented complaint requesting the initiation of an anti-dumping investigation concerning imports of ceramic tiles originating, inter alia, in Turkey.

The Commission has sent to the Mission of Turkey to the European Union the enclosed Note Verbale concerning that matter.

In accordance with Article 46 of Decision No 1/95 of the EC-Turkey Association Council of 22 December 1995 on implementing the final phase of the Customs Union, I hereby inform the Customs Union Joint Committee that the Commission is examining if the initiation of the anti-dumping investigation concerning imports of ceramic tiles originating, inter alia, in Turkey is warranted.

I take this opportunity to renew to the President of the EU-Turkey Association Council the assurance of my highest consideration, and to assure you that you will be kept duly informed of any further developments.

(e-signed)

Denis REDONNET

Encl.: - Note Verbale

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NOTE VERBALE

The Directorate-General for Trade of the European Commission presents its compliments to the Permanent Delegation of Turkey to the European Union and has the honour to notify it that the European Commission has received a properly documented complaint requesting the initiation of an anti-dumping proceeding concerning imports of ceramic tiles originating, *inter alia*, in the Republic of Turkey.

Should the European Commission decide to initiate an anti-dumping proceeding, information, including copies of the notice of initiation, the complaint, and a link to the questionnaires will be provided to the Permanent Delegation of Turkey to the European Union immediately upon publication of the notice of initiation of the anti-dumping proceeding in the Official Journal of the European Union.

The Directorate-General for Trade of the European Commission wishes to bring to the attention of the Permanent Delegation of Turkey to the European Union that should the proceeding be initiated, in view of the potentially large number of exporting producers in the Republic of Turkey involved and in order to complete the investigation within the statutory time-limits, the Commission may limit the exporting producers that will be investigated to a reasonable number by selecting a sample. In such a case, the Commission's services would appreciate the cooperation of the Permanent Delegation of Turkey to the European Union in the selection of a representative sample of exporting producers.

In addition, please find attached a list of exporting producers that have been identified in the complaint. The Permanent Delegation of Turkey to the European Union is urgently requested to check this list for accuracy and completeness and to provide the Commission with the names, addresses, contact persons, and email addresses of any other exporting producers that may be concerned but are not listed in the complaint no later than 26 November 2021. This is to ensure that, should the European Commission decide to initiate an anti-dumping proceeding, it can contact them without delay. The Commission appreciates the collaboration of the Permanent Delegation of Turkey to the European Union in ensuring that all exporting producers have full opportunity to cooperate in the investigation.

If the proceeding is initiated, a website link to the questionnaire for exporting producers will be made available on the day of initiation.

The present notification is provided in accordance with Article 5(5) of Regulation (EU) No 2016/1036 of the European Parliament and the Council on protection against dumped imports from countries not members of the European Union and with Article 5.5 of the Agreement on Implementation of Article VI of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994.

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The Directorate-General for Trade of the European Commission takes this opportunity to renew to the Permanent Delegation of Turkey to the European Union the assurance of its highest consideration.

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Encl.: List of exporting producers identified in the complaint.

Electronically signed on 19/11/2021 12:10 (UTC+01) in accordance with article 11 of Commission Decision C(2020) 4482