



**NOTIFICATION UNDER ARTICLE 7.2 AND 12.1 (A) OF THE AGREEMENT
ON SAFEGUARDS ON INITIATION OF AN INVESTIGATION
AND THE REASONS FOR IT**

TÜRKIYE

Polyethylene Terephthalate Chips

Supplement

The following communication, dated and received 16 May 2023, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Türkiye.

Republic of Türkiye hereby notifies the Committee on Safeguards, pursuant to Article 7.2 and 12.1(a) of the Agreement on Safeguards, the initiation of a safeguard investigation on imports of Polyethylene Terephthalate Chips.

1. The date when the investigation was initiated

The investigation was initiated on 11 May 2023. The related Communiqué was published in the Official Gazette on the same date.

2. The product subject to the investigation

The product under investigation is "Polyethylene terephthalate (PET) Chips".

PET Chips are currently classified in the Turkish Customs Tariff Schedule under the customs tariff code 3907.69.00.00.00.

3. Reference to the WTO document containing the most recent Article 12.1(c) notification

The WTO Document containing the most recent Article 12.1(b), 12.1(c) and 9 notification is G/SG/N/8/TUR/18 - G/SG/N/10/TUR/18 - G/SG/N/11/TUR/25 dated 16 November 2020.

4. The reasons for the initiation of investigation

The investigation was initiated upon an evaluation of a safeguard petition from the domestic industry and on the basis of the evidence and the information contained therein.

The information currently available indicates that the domestic industry is still in the process of adjustment. Taking into account certain economic indicators with regard to imports and the domestic industry, an investigation has been initiated in order to further analyse the level of adjustment and the necessity of extending the measure.

The non-confidential summary of the application is available at the internet address below.

<https://ticaret.gov.tr/ithalat/ticaret-politikasi-savunma-araclari/korunma-onlemleri/sorusturmalar/devam-eden-sorusturmalar-ongoing-investigations>

5. Further information

The interested parties can download the investigation questionnaires from the investigation page:

<https://ticaret.gov.tr/ithalat/ticaret-politikasi-savunma-araclari/korunma-onlemleri/sorusturmalar/devam-eden-sorusturmalar-ongoing-investigations>

The interested parties are required to fill in the questionnaires within 30 (thirty) days from the date of publication of the Communiqué and forward it to the General Directorate. Interested parties may ask for technical assistance from the investigating authority while filling out the questionnaires.

The companies and institutions established in Türkiye shall send the questionnaires and their official views from their official registered electronic mail-KEP address to the registered electronic mail-KEP address of the Ministry.

The address for electronic mail: ticaretbakanligi@hs01.kep.tr

Those who want to be interested parties as companies, institutions and establishments abroad shall send their answers to the questionnaires and their official views to the Ministry's e-mail address below.

Directorate General E-mail address: korunma@ticaret.gov.tr

Interested parties may state, in the application form, their request to be heard by the investigating authority. The date and venue of the hearing and other information regarding the investigation will also be announced in internet address cited in Article 4.

The address of the investigating authority for correspondence is:

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