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Mr. Brice Raymond Michel De Schietere Minister-Counsellor & Chargé d'affaires, a.i. Delegation of the European Union to Canada 1900 -150 Metcalfe Street Ottawa, Ontario K2P 1P1

August 14, 2020

Dear Mr. De Schietere:

This letter is to advise you that on June 24, 2020 the Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) received a properly documented complaint respecting the alleged injurious dumping of certain wheat gluten from Austria, Belgium, France, Germany and Lithuania. The complaint also contains allegations of injurious dumping of wheat gluten from Australia.

The information currently before the CBSA indicates that there is evidence that the goods have been dumped and evidence that discloses a reasonable indication that the dumping has caused injury or is threatening to cause injury to the Canadian industry.

Accordingly, on August 14, 2020 pursuant to subsection 31(1) of the *Special Import Measures Act* (SIMA), the CBSA caused an investigation to be initiated into the alleged injurious dumping of the above-noted goods.

Notice of the initiation of the investigation is hereby given pursuant to subparagraph 34(1)(a)(i) of SIMA. A *Statement of Reasons*, which summarizes the information on which this decision was based and which describes, in general terms, the future activities related to the investigation, will be available within 15 days on the CBSA's website at: www.cbsa-asfc.gc.ca/sima.

The CBSA will investigate whether the imports are being dumped and will make a preliminary decision within 90 days.

In addition, the Canadian International Trade Tribunal (CITT) will conduct a preliminary inquiry into the question of injury to the Canadian industry. The CITT will make a decision within 60 days of the date of initiation. If the CITT concludes that the evidence does not disclose a reasonable indication of injury, the investigation will be terminated.



As part of the dumping investigation, the CBSA will examine whether a particular market situation exists in the wheat gluten sector in the European Union. In accordance with paragraph 16(2)(c) of the *Special Import Measures Act* (SIMA), and for purposes of determining normal values under section 15, the CBSA will not consider sales of like goods for use in the country of export where, in the opinion of the CBSA, a particular market situation exists which does not permit a proper comparison with the sale of the goods to the importer in Canada.

For the purposes outlined above, the CBSA is requesting certain information from your government as set out in the attached questionnaire "Particular Market Situation Request for Information – Government". Should your government respond to the questionnaire, it may be necessary for the CBSA to request additional information following receipt and review of your reply.

The CBSA is also requesting information from exporters of the subject goods in the subject countries. The information required from exporters is set out in a questionnaires relating to investigation into the alleged dumping of the goods. A copy of this questionnaire for exporters/producers is also attached to this letter.

You should also be aware that it might be necessary for officers of the CBSA to visit exporters to verify information provided by them during the investigation.

It should be noted that the CBSA requires a complete response from the exporters of the goods as well as from your government. In the event that the information provided to the CBSA by parties to the investigation is insufficient to determine whether dumping is occurring, the normal value and export price will be determined in such a manner as the Minister specifies.

If you wish to discuss or seek clarification on this matter, please contact Mr. Hugh Marcil, Manager, Anti-dumping and Countervailing Investigations Division, at 613-954-7265 or by e-mail at Hugues.Marcil@cbsa-asfc.gc.ca.

Yours truly,

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ATTACHMENT

- 1. Particular Market Situation Request for Information Government
- 2. Dumping Request for Information

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