

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

INDONESIA

(Tarpaulins, Awnings and Sunblinds of Synthetic Fibres)

The following communication, dated 24 March 2011, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of Indonesia.

Pursuant to Article 12.1 (a) of the WTO Agreement on Safeguards, the Republic of Indonesia hereby wishes to notify the Committee on Safeguards that its competent authority has initiated a safeguard investigation on the imports of Tarpaulins, Awnings and Sunblinds of Synthetic Fibres.

A petition for a safeguards measure was received by the Indonesian Safeguards Committee (Komite Pengamanan Perdagangan Indonesia/KPPI) from The Indonesian Olefin, Aromatic, and Plastics Industry Association (INApLas) on behalf the domestic industry of Tarpaulins, Awnings and Sunblinds of Synthetic Fibres.

After examining the petition, the investigating authority concluded that there was sufficient evidence to justify the initiation of a safeguard investigation.

1. The date of initiation

The investigation initiated on 22 March 2011.

2. Subject good

Tarpaulins, Awnings and Sunblinds of Synthetic Fibres which fall under HS Code 6306.12.00.00.

3. Reasons for initiation of investigation procedure

The investigation was initiated following an evaluation of evidence provided in the petition of The Indonesian Olefin, Aromatic, and Plastics Industry Association (INApLas) on behalf the domestic industry of Tarpaulins, awnings and sunblinds of synthetic fibres, which represent 58 per cent of the subject good produced in Indonesia.

The data submitted by the Petitioner showed that the volume of imports had increased significantly by 1.193 per cent in 2008 compared with the volume of imports in 2007. In 2009 the volume of imports of the subject good further increased by 95 per cent from 2008, and increased by 168 per cent in 2010 from 2009.

All relevant factors evaluated by the investigating authority showed that the domestic industry experienced negative developments in domestic market shares, the level of domestic sales, production, productivity, capacity utilization, profits and losses, and employment. The investigation initiated on.

4. Further information

Pursuant to Article 4.2 of Presidential Decree No. 84/2002, the time limit of submitting views or comments pertaining to the investigations is 15 days after the publication of the initiation. Within this period, interested parties are invited to present written statements and information which should be submitted to the competent authority to the following address:

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