**Register as an Interested Party**

**Reconsideration of an original decision in Transition Review**

**No. TF0006: Safeguard measures on certain steel products**

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| **Period of Investigation:** | **2013-2017** |
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| **Most Recent Period (MRP):** | **1st January 2018 to 30th June 2020** |
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| **Completed on behalf of:** | thyssenkrupp Materials Trading a division of thyssenrupp Materias UK Ltd |

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# **Instructions**

### I – Note about confidentiality

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# **Section A – Your organisation’s interest in the case**

To register your organisation’s interest in this case, please complete the text boxes below. For a definition of the goods to which this reconsideration relates (“the goods”) see the [Reconsideration’s Notice of Initiation](https://www.trade-remedies.service.gov.uk/public/case/TF0006/submission/1564f120-004d-4eca-8cbd-b0b3a4f43a0f/).

1. Please describe the role of your organisation with regards to the goods.

*Thyssenkrupp Materials Trading have been an importer of steel products from RoW producing countries into the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland since 1993. In some cases we have represented the same steel suppliers to our regular buyers for more than 20 years.*

1. Please describe your interest in this case:

*Please answer here*

*Until 2016 steel products were traded freely and the price was set by the market, ie supply and demand. It was possible to source from the the best quality or most suited suppliers in order to satisfy the customers particular requirements irrespective of the country of origin. A number of the steel products imported into the UK either cannot be produced in the UK, or are not produced in sufficient volume or quality to satisfy the needs of the market. The safeguard measures currently in place are based on historic data and do not reflect the realities of the global steel market in 2021. They also do not reflect changed trade flows, production capabilities and demand levels since the original period of investigation.*

# **Section B – Additional information**

Use the box below to provide any other relevant information which you think would be useful to help our reconsideration.

This may include:

* other parties you believe should receive a questionnaire;
* the scope of the reconsideration; and/or
* anything else you consider relevant.

*The safeguard system relies upon HS codes as determination of a single product. In a number of cases this determination is causing restrictions on the importation of goods which are not produced in the UK. For example a significant proportion of the UK demand for HRC (Cat 1/A) is in 2m width, which is not produced in the UK. Likewise in Cat 4(C) a high proportion of demand is for light guage commercial qualities with low zinc coating, which neither UK nor EU mills wish to produce.*

*It is clear that in some steel categories for example Cat 21(hollow section), the limitation of the safeguard volumes for specific countries are becoming exhausted in the first days of the quota period, whereas for other specified countries of origin the quota is not being fully utilized even by the end of the quarter. We believe the scope of the reconsideration should take into account the current demands and needs of UK steel users and allow those users access to their preferred origin goods.*

*We are seeing considerable disruption to global supply chains, and this situation is being further exacerbated by limiting the choice of steel users by country of origin.*

# **Section C – Certification**

*Only to be completed for the confidential version of this document.*

The undersigned certifies that the information supplied herein is correct and complete to the best of his/her knowledge and belief.

The undersigned certifies that he/she has the authority to supply the information contained herein on behalf of his/her organisation.

Signature (including e-signature):

Name:

Position at organisation:

Date: