

NOTICE OF INITIATION

TRANSITION REVIEW No.TS0002

Countervailing duties on imports of certain rainbow trout originating in Turkey

The Secretary of State for International Trade (the Secretary of State) makes the following Notice to initiate a transition review¹ of an EU trade remedies measure under regulation 98 of the Trade Remedies (Dumping and Subsidisation) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (the Regulations).²

The EU trade remedies measure subject to review is in Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/309 of 26 February 2015 (the EU measure).³

The date of initiation of the review is **4 March 2020**.

Description of the goods subject to review:

Rainbow trout (Oncorhynchus mykiss) live, fresh, chilled, frozen or smoked whether in the form of whole fish (with heads and gills on, gutted, weighing 1.2kg or less each, or with heads off, gilled or gutted (weighing 1kg or less each), or in the form of fillets (weighing 400g or less each) originating in Turkey.

Commodity codes:

ex 0301 91 90 11, ex 0302 11 80 11, ex 0303 14 90 11, ex 0304 42 90 10, ex 0304 82 90 10, ex 0305 43 00 11.⁴

Exporting countries:

Turkey.

Summary of the issues involved in the review

The review will consider—

¹ Following the publication of a Notice of Determination to transition an EU measure. For a copy of that Notice please click <u>here</u>.

² As amended by the Trade Remedies (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019.

³ For a copy of the EU trade remedies measure please click here.

⁴ As set out in Council Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 of 23 July 1987, updated on 7th January 2019. For a link to the original Regulation, please click <u>here</u>. For amendments to the tariff classifications, please click <u>here</u>.

- whether the application of the countervailing amount is necessary or sufficient to offset the importation of the relevant subsidised goods in the UK market; and
- whether injury to the UK industry in the relevant goods would occur if the countervailing amount were no longer applied to those goods.

Period of investigation:

The period of investigation is **1 January 2019 – 31 December 2019**. In order to assess injury, we will examine the period from **1 January 2016 – 31 December 2019**.

Summary of the review process

The review will involve the following process:

- inviting parties to register their interest in the review,
- issuing questionnaires, where practicable, to:
 - overseas exporters or UK importers of the goods subject to review,
 - any trade or business association of overseas producers, overseas exporters or UK importers of the goods subject to review,
 - UK producers of like goods. Like goods means goods that are like the goods subject to review in all respects or, if there are no such goods, goods that have characteristics closely resembling those of the goods subject to review,
 - any trade or business association of UK producers of like goods, and
 - any other party (including interested parties and contributors) that has registered an interest in the review,
- verification visits to further assess and examine information,
- analysing information gathered, and
- publication of a Statement of Essential Facts. Interested parties will have 30 days to comment on the Statement of Essential Facts and the Secretary of State will then make a Preliminary Decision.

Interested parties may include:

- the Government of Turkey,
- any overseas exporter or importer of the goods subject to review,
- any trade or business association of overseas producers, overseas exporters or importers of the goods subject to review,
- any producer of the like goods in the United Kingdom, and
- any trade or business association of UK producers of the like goods.

Contributors are those, other than interested parties, who have notified us that they would like to participate in the review.

Oral hearing

Interested parties can request a hearing at any time during the review process using the Trade Remedies Service at <u>https://www.trade-remedies.service.gov.uk/</u>.

Registration period

Anyone interested in taking part in the review is invited to contact the Trade Remedies Investigations Directorate by **19 March 2020**.

You can register your interest through the Trade Remedies Service at:

https://www.trade-remedies.service.gov.uk/

It is possible that anyone registering their interest after **19 March 2020** may not be able to participate fully in the review process.

Please contact <u>TS0002@traderemedies.gov.uk</u> if you have any difficulties using this service.

Other comments

Once registered, interested parties and contributors can submit comments on any issues relevant to the review through the Trade Remedies Service.

Information provided during an investigation may be treated as confidential. Anyone requesting that information be treated as confidential must demonstrate why, and provide:

- a non-confidential summary of the information; or
- where that is not possible, a statement of reasons as to why the information should be treated as confidential, and why it cannot be summarised.

The <u>Trade Remedies Guidance</u> produced by the Department for International Trade provides more information about the investigations process, including submitting confidential information.

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