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**NOTIFICATION UNDER ARTICLE 12.1(B) OF THE AGREEMENT ON  
SAFEGUARDS ON FINDING A SERIOUS INJURY OR THREAT  
THEREOF CAUSED BY INCREASED IMPORTS**

**NOTIFICATION UNDER ARTICLE 12.1(C)  
OF THE AGREEMENT ON SAFEGUARDS  
UPON TAKING A DECISION TO APPLY A SAFEGUARD MEASURE**

**NOTIFICATION PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 9, FOOTNOTE 2  
OF THE AGREEMENT ON SAFEGUARDS**

UKRAINE

*Wires*

*Supplement*

The following communication, dated and received on 17 September 2021, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Ukraine.

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Pursuant to Articles 12.1(b) of the Agreement on Safeguards, Ukraine notified the finding of a serious injury or threat thereof to the domestic industry producing wires and on proposed safeguard measures (G/SG/N/8/UKR/11-G/SG/N/10/UKR/11-G/SG/N/11/UKR/9 of 31 March 2021).

On 24 July 2020 the Interdepartmental Commission on International Trade (hereinafter referred as the Commission) took the decision "On initiation and conduction of safeguard investigation on imports to Ukraine of wires regardless of country of origin and export" No. SP-458/2020/4411-03 (G/SG/N/6/UKR/19 of 09 September 2020, G/SG/N/6/UKR/19/Corr.1 of 21 September 2020).

On 23 April 2021 the Commission took the decision "On application of safeguard measures on imports to Ukraine of wires regardless of country of origin and export" No SP-491/2021/4411-03. Notice of the decision was published in the official newspaper "Uryadovyi Courier" No 176 of 14 September 2021.

**1. Provide precise description of the product involved**

Insulated wires, cables and other insulated electric conductors not fitted with connectors; optical fibre cables, made up of individually sheathed fibres which can be classified under UKTZED codes 8544 49 20 00, 8544 49 91 00, 8544 60 10 10, 8544 60 10 98, 8544 60 90 10, 8544 60 90 90, 8544 70 00 10, 8544 70 00 90.

**2. Provide precise description of the proposed measure**

Safeguard duty of 23.5%.

**3. Provide proposed date of introduction of the measure**

30 days after notice publication.

**4. Provide expected duration of the measure**

Safeguard measure imposes for a period of 3 years.

**5. If the expected duration is over one year, to provide expected timetable for progressive liberalization of the measure**

The duty level decreases by 5 % annually during measure validity.

1<sup>st</sup> year (from the date of application) – 23.5%;

2<sup>nd</sup> year (12 months from the date of application) – 22.3%;

3<sup>rd</sup> year (24 months from the date of application) – 21.2%.

**6. To provide information relating to the extension of a safeguard measure**

Not applicable.

**7. Exclusion of certain countries from the scope of the definitive measures**

According to Article 9.1 of the Agreements on Safeguards (List of the Least Developed Countries of the United Nations) and Article 21 of the Law of Ukraine "On the application of special measures regarding imports to Ukraine", Free Trade Agreement between the EFTA States and Ukraine dated June 24 2010, Free Trade Agreement between the Government of Ukraine and the Government of Montenegro dated November 18 2011, Free Trade Agreement of the Commonwealth of Independent States, dated October 18 2011 and taking into account Chapter 8 of Article XXIV of General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994 imports of goods described in paragraph 3 of this notification to Ukraine originating from the following countries should be excluded from the application of the definitive measures: the Republic of Iceland, the Principality of Liechtenstein, the Kingdom of Norway, the Swiss Confederation, the Republic of Montenegro, the Republic of Azerbaijan, the Republic of Armenia, the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Republic of Kyrgyzstan, the Republic of Moldova, the Republic of Uzbekistan, the Republic of Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, the Republic of Angola, the People's Republic of Bangladesh, the Republic of Benin, the Kingdom of Bhutan, the Republic of Burkina Faso, the Republic of Burundi, the Kingdom of Cambodia, the Central African Republic, the Republic of Chad, the Union of the Comoros, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, the Republic of Djibouti, the State of Eritrea, the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia, the Islamic Republic of Gambia, the Republic of Guinea, the Republic of Guinea-Bissau, the Republic of Haiti, the Republic of Kiribati, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, the Kingdom of Lesotho, Peru, Liberia, the Republic of Madagascar, the Republic of Malawi, the Republic of Mali, the Islamic Republic of Mauritania, the Republic of Mozambique, the Republic of the Union of Myanmar, the Federal Democratic Republic of Nepal, the Republic of Niger, the Republic of Rwanda, the Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe, the Republic of Senegal, the Republic of Sierra Leone, Solomon Islands, the Federal Republic of Somalia, the Republic of South Sudan, the Republic of the Sudan, the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste, the Republic of Togo, Tuvalu, the Republic of Uganda, the United Republic of Tanzania, the Republic of Yemen, the Republic of Zambia, the Federative Republic of Brazil, the United Mexican States, the Republic of Indonesia.

**8. Publicly available document containing the relevant decision made by the competent authority can be found by the following link:**

<https://ukurier.gov.ua/uk/articles/zastosuvannya-specialnih-zahodiv-shodo-importu-v-u/>

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