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NOTE TO THE FILE FOR INSPECTION BY INTERESTED PARTIES

Subject: **AD739 Anti-dumping investigation concerning imports of certain cold-rolled flat steel products ('CRF') originating in India, Japan, Taiwan, Türkiye and Vietnam**

Clarification of the PCN

1. Background

On 18 September 2025, the Commission initiated an anti-dumping investigation concerning imports of certain cold-rolled flat steel products ('CRF') originating in India, Japan, Taiwan, Türkiye and Vietnam.

Following initiation, the Commission received comments from the Union Industry regarding the PCN (see submission t25.009393) that required some clarifications. The purpose of this note is to provide such clarifications.

2. Clarifications

2.1 Steel Grade – Classification Issue

The current PCN does not fully capture proprietary, local, or regional steel standards, which may affect comparability. The definitions of categories 01 and 03 must be broadened to include not only EN standards but also equivalent, automotive, and proprietary grades.

2.2 Surface finishing

The "Finishing" subcategories: "bright," "semi bright," "normal," "rough," and "very rough", are being removed to simplify comparisons between EU and imported products, as they introduce unnecessary distinctions that do not affect comparability.

3. Questionnaires

The questionnaires intended for exporting producers and Union producers available at <https://tron.trade.ec.europa.eu/investigations/case-view?caseId=2812>, have been updated accordingly .

Enclosure: Updated PCN table with the indicated modifications (highlighted in yellow)



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in the European Union**
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Subject: AD739 - Anti-dumping proceeding concerning imports of certain cold-rolled flat steel products originating in, *inter alia*, Taiwan

Dear Sir / Dear Madam,

The Directorate-General for Trade and Economic Security of the European Commission presents its compliments to the Taipei Representative Office in the European Union and has the honour to refer to letter sent on 18 September 2025, concerning the initiation of an anti-dumping proceeding on imports of certain cold-rolled flat steel products originating in, *inter alia*, Taiwan.

The Directorate-General for Trade and Economic Security of the European Commission has the honour to inform the Taipei Representative Office in the European Union that three exporting producers, belonging to two groups, in Taiwan provided the information requested in the Notice of Initiation.

In view of the large number of exporting producers, the Commission's services have decided to apply sampling, in accordance with Article 17 of Regulation (EU) 2016/1036 of the European Parliament and the Council on protection against dumped imports from countries not members of the European Union ⁽¹⁾.

The Commission examined the information submitted by the cooperating companies and selected the two cooperating exporting producers with the largest quantity of exports to the European Union. This includes one group of related companies.

In addition the selected companies sell significant quantities on the domestic market of Taiwan.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 176 30.6.2016, p. 21 ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2016/1036/2020-08-11>

The exports of the sampled companies cover [60-70]% of the reported quantity exported to the European Union during the sampling period from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 and [90-100]% of the total exports reported by the cooperating exporting producers.

The Commission selected the following companies for the sample:

Company name	Group
China Steel Corporation	China Steel Group
Chung Hung Steel Corporation	China Steel Group

The exporters' questionnaire was made available on the TRADE website on the day of initiation ⁽²⁾ and the link to this website has been sent to all interested parties. The sampled companies and the companies requesting an individual duty have 30 days to submit the questionnaire reply.

The Directorate-General for Trade and Economic Security of the European Commission takes this opportunity to renew to the Taipei Representative Office in the European Union the assurance of its highest consideration.

The present notification is provided in accordance with Article 5(11) of Regulation (EU) 2016/1036 of the European Parliament and the Council on protection against dumped imports from countries not members of the European Union and with Article 6.1.3 of the Agreement in Implementation of Article VI of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994.

Yours faithfully,

(e-signed)
Enrique VALERDI RODRIGUEZ
Head of Sector

(²) <https://tron.trade.ec.europa.eu/investigations/case-view?caseId=2812>



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NOTE FOR THE FILE

Subject: AD739 – Anti-dumping investigation concerning imports of certain cold-rolled flat steel products originating in India, Japan, Taiwan, Türkiye and Vietnam

Sample of exporting producers

In accordance with the legislation in force ⁽¹⁾ ('the basic Regulation') on 18 September 2025 the European Commission ('the Commission') initiated the above investigation.

After analysing the sampling replies received within the deadline from:

- Four exporting producers in **India**,
- Four exporting producers in **Japan**,
- Three exporting producers, belonging to two groups, in **Taiwan**,
- Six exporting producers in **Türkiye**, and
- Three exporting producers in **Vietnam**,

the Commission hereby informs interested parties of the sample of exporting producers, as specified in Section 5.3.1.1 of the Notice of Initiation.

Under Article 17(1) of the basic Regulation, the criteria used for the selection of the sample were based on the largest representative volume of exports to the Union during the investigation period, which can reasonably be investigated within the time available.

Based on the information available at this stage, the proposed sample accounts for:

- [90%-100%] of the estimated total export quantity of the product concerned to the Union from **India** in the investigation period,
- [80%-90%] of the estimated total export quantity of the product concerned to the Union from **Japan** in the investigation period,

⁽¹⁾ Regulation (EU) 2016/1036 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 8 June 2016 on protection against dumped imports from countries not members of the European Union (OJ L 176, 30.6.2016, p.21, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2016/1036/2020-08-11>).

- [60%-70%] of the estimated total export quantity of the product concerned to the Union from **Taiwan** in the investigation period,
- [50%-60%] of the estimated total export quantity of the product concerned to the Union from **Türkiye** in the investigation period, and
- [80%-90%] of the estimated total export quantity of the product concerned to the Union from **Vietnam** in the investigation period.

The proposed sample is:

Company	Country
JSW Steel Limited.	India
Nippon Steel Corporation	Japan
China Steel Group: - China Steel Corporation - Chung Hung Steel Corporation	Taiwan
Borçelik Çelik Sanayii Ticaret A.Ş.	Türkiye
Tatmetal Celik Sanayi Ve Ticaret A.S.	Türkiye
Posco-Vietnam Co., Ltd.	Vietnam

As announced in the Notice of Initiation, any comments on the sample selection must be received within 3 days of the date of this notification. Based on comments from interested parties and on any additional information made available to the Commission during the investigation, the proposed sample may be amended, if appropriate.



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Investigations III. Monitoring of Implementation

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By Tron

Subject: AD739 – Anti-dumping investigation concerning imports of certain cold-rolled flat steel products originating in India, Japan, Taiwan, Türkiye and Vietnam

Dear Sir, Dear Madam,

In accordance with the legislation in force ⁽¹⁾, on 18 September 2025 the European Commission initiated the above investigation.

After analysing the sampling information received from exporting producers, the European Commission has decided to limit the investigation to a reasonable number of parties by using a sample in accordance with Article 17(1) of the basic Regulation.

Your company **has not been selected** to be a part of the following sample:

Company	Country
JSW Steel Limited.	India
Nippon Steel Corporation	Japan
China Steel Group: - China Steel Corporation - Chung Hung Steel Corporation	Taiwan
Borçelik Çelik Sanayii Ticaret A.Ş.	Türkiye
Tatmetal Celik Sanayi Ve Ticaret A.S.	Türkiye
Posco-Vietnam Co., Ltd.	Vietnam

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 176 30.6.2016, p. 21 <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2016/1036/2020-08-11>

Any comments you may have in relation to the proposed sample should be communicated within 3 days of this letter, i.e., by 6 October 2025 at the latest.

If, however, you wish to request an individual margin of dumping, please complete the questionnaire for exporting producers published on the website of DG TRADE (<https://tron.trade.ec.europa.eu/investigations/case-view?caseId=2812>) and submit it within 30 days from the date of this letter using the TRON.tdi website ⁽²⁾: <https://tron.trade.ec.europa.eu/tron/TDI/>.

Please use the updated product control number (PCN) as communicated via the Note to the File from 1 October 2025 (save number t25.009414). The questionnaires intended for exporting producers available at <https://tron.trade.ec.europa.eu/investigations/case-view?caseId=2812> were updated on 1 October 2025 accordingly.

In accordance with Article 17(3) of the basic Regulation, your request will not be examined if the individual examination would be unduly burdensome and prevent completion of the investigation within the deadlines.

CONFIDENTIALITY INSTRUCTIONS

If you want your reply, or any part thereof, treated as confidential, please note that, in accordance with Article 19 of the basic Regulation, you must make a request justifying such treatment. Please label all submissions for which you request confidential treatment, as 'Sensitive' ⁽³⁾.

When submitting 'Sensitive' information, you must also provide a non-confidential summary, as required under Article 19(2) of the basic Regulation. Summaries must be sufficiently detailed to permit a reasonable understanding of the substance of the confidential information submitted. Please label this non-confidential summary 'For inspection by interested parties'. This will be added to the file for inspection by interested parties.

If you fail to justify confidential treatment and/or do not provide a meaningful non-confidential summary, the Commission may disregard your submission, in accordance with Article 19(3). If you submit only one version that is not marked "Sensitive", the Commission will assume that it can be added to the file for inspection by interested parties.

Please note the instructions for correspondence with the European Commission in trade defence cases, which are found here:

<https://europa.eu/!7tHpY3>

⁽²⁾ <https://tron.trade.ec.europa.eu/tron/resources/documents/usersGuide.pdf>

⁽³⁾ Please note that confidential information falls under the term 'sensitive' according to the internal rules of the European Commission. The Commission only considers documents labelled 'sensitive' as confidential documents under Article 19 of Regulation (EU) 2016/1036 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 8 June 2016 on protection against dumped imports from countries not members of the European Union ('the basic anti-dumping Regulation') (OJ L 176, 30.6.2016, p.21) and Article 6 of the WTO Agreement on Implementation of Article VI of the GATT 1994 (Anti-dumping Agreement). The Commission considers all documents that are not labelled 'sensitive', as non-confidential documents under these provisions. Therefore, any replies which contain confidential information must be labelled 'Sensitive'.

If you have any queries or require further information, please contact the Commission at:

- India: TRADE-AD739-CRF-DUMPING-INDIA@ec.europa.eu
- Japan: TRADE-AD739-CRF-DUMPING-JAPAN@ec.europa.eu
- Taiwan: TRADE-AD739-CRF-DUMPING-TAIWAN@ec.europa.eu
- Türkiye: TRADE-AD739-CRF-DUMPING-TURKIYE@ec.europa.eu
- Vietnam: TRADE-AD739-CRF-DUMPING-VIETNAM@ec.europa.eu.

In view of the strict time limits, you are advised to do so without delay.

Yours faithfully,

(e-signed)
Enrique VALERDI RODRIGUEZ
Head of Sector