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Committee on Safeguards

UNITED KINGDOM – SAFEGUARD MEASURES ON CERTAIN STEEL PRODUCTS DECISION TO EXTEND A SAFEGUARD MEASURE

REQUEST FOR CONSULTATIONS UNDER ARTICLE 12.3 OF THE AGREEMENT ON SAFEGUARDS

SWITZERLAND

The following communication, dated and received on 7 March 2024, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Switzerland.

On 21 February 2024, the United Kingdom submitted to the WTO Committee on Safeguards a notification pursuant to Article 12.1(b) of the Agreement on Safeguards concerning its decision to extend the safeguard measure on steel imports.¹

Having a substantial interest, Switzerland requests consultations with the United Kingdom under Article 12.3 of the Agreement on Safeguards, with a view to, *inter alia*, reviewing the information provided under Article 12.2 of the Agreement on Safeguards and exchanging views on the extension of the measures.

Switzerland would like to propose that the consultations mentioned above take place virtually on 14 or 19 March in the afternoon and looks forward to receiving the United Kingdom's response to this request.

Switzerland reserves all its rights under the Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organisation and its Annexes, including the Agreement on Safeguards.

¹ G/SG/N/8/GBR/1/Suppl.8