

## **QUARTERLY UPDATE on TRADE DEFENCE CASES IN TURKEY (March 2018)**

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In Turkey, the authority to initiate dumping or subsidy examinations, upon complaint or, where necessary, *ex officio*, is given to the Ministry of Economy (“Ministry”). Within the scope of this authority, the Ministry announces its decisions with the communiqués published on the Official Gazette.

During the first quarter of 2018, the Ministry has initiated a significant number of investigations and announced its decisions upon concluding several of the ongoing investigations.

Below is a bullet-point summary of the status of the trade defence cases initiated, concluded or amended during the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2018:

- *Communiqué No. 2018/2 dated March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 concerning the imports of V-belts originating from People’s Republic of China, Republic of India and Socialist Republic of Vietnam:*

The Ministry initiated an expiry review investigation in relation to the current dumping measures on imports of v-belts classified under the CN Codes 4010.32.00.00.00, 4010.32.00.00.00 and 4010.39.00.00.00 originating from People’s Republic of China, Republic of India and Socialist Republic of Vietnam.

- *Communiqué No. 2018/3 dated March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 concerning the imports of welded stainless steel tubes, pipes & profiles originating from People’s Republic of China and Chinese Taipei:*

The Ministry initiated an expiry review investigation in relation to the current dumping measures on imports of welded stainless steel tubes, pipes & profiles classified under the CN Codes 7306.40.20.90.00, 7306.40.80.90.00 and 7306.61.10.00.00 originating from People’s Republic of China and Chinese Taipei.

- *Communiqué No. 2018/4 dated March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 concerning the imports of refractory bricks, originating from People’s Republic of China:*

The Ministry initiated an expiry review investigation in relation to the current dumping measures on imports of refractory bricks, classified under the CN codes 6902.10.00.10.11, 6902.10.00.10.12, 6902.10.00.10.13 and 6815.91 originating from People’s Republic of China.

- *Communiqué No. 2018/7 dated March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 concerning the imports of sodium percarbonate originating from Federal Republic of Germany and Kingdom of Sweden:*  
The Ministry announced its decision upon the completion of the anti-dumping investigation on sodium percarbonate originating from Germany and Sweden. Accordingly, the Ministry decided to apply anti-dumping duties at rates between 5% and 12% on imports of sodium percarbonate under the CN code 2836.99.90.10.00 originating from Germany and Sweden.
  
- *Communiqué No. 2018/6 dated March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 concerning the imports of porcelain and ceramic tableware and kitchenware originating from People's Republic of China:*  
The Ministry announced its decision upon the completion of the anti-dumping investigation on porcelain and ceramic tableware and kitchenware originating from People's Republic of China. Accordingly, the Ministry decided to apply an anti-dumping duty at a rate of 8% on imports of porcelain and ceramic tableware and kitchenware under the CN codes 6911.10.00.00.11, 6911.10.00.00.12, 6911.10.00.00.19, 6912.00.21.00.00, 6912.00.23.00.00, 6912.00.25.00.11, 6912.00.25.00.12, 6912.00.25.00.19 and 6912.00.29.00.00 originating from People's Republic of China.
  
- *Communiqué No. 2018/8 dated March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018 concerning the imports of cored wire of base metal originating from Socialist Republic of Vietnam:*  
The Ministry initiated an anti-dumping investigation against imports of cored wire of base metal originating from Socialist Republic of Vietnam.
  
- *Communiqué No. 2018/5 dated March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018 concerning the imports of wall-type split air conditioners & outdoor unit of wall-type split air-conditioners & indoor unit of wall-type split air-conditioners, originating from People's Republic of China:*  
The Ministry announced its decision upon the completion of the expiry review investigation on wall-type split air conditioners & outdoor unit of wall-type split air-conditioners & indoor unit of wall-type split air-conditioners originating from People's Republic of China. Accordingly, the Ministry decided to apply an anti-dumping duty at a rate of 25% on imports of wall-type split air conditioners & outdoor unit of wall-type split air-conditioners & indoor unit of wall-type split air-conditioners under the CN codes 8415.10.90.00.00, 8415.10.90.00.11 and 8415.10.90.00.12 originating from People's Republic of China.
  
- *Communiqué on the Amendment of the Communiqué No. 2015/49 dated March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018 concerning the imports of tempered or laminated safety glasses originating from Israel and People's Republic of China:*  
As per the Communiqué No. 2015/49 the Ministry decided to apply anti-dumping measures at rates between 10% and 66.1% and separated the tempered and laminated safety glasses based on whether or not they are laminated and resistant to lead. As per

the Amendment of the Communiqué No. 2015/49, the Ministry specified the product definition and determined that the product subject to investigation is tempered or laminated safety glasses (except (i) anti-glare and optic types used on smart boards under the tariff position 85.28 and (ii) screen shield types used in the products under tariff positions 84.71, 85.17 and 85.28) classified under CN Code 70.07 (except 7007.19.80.00.13 and 7007.19.80.00.14). Accordingly, although before the amendment, all tempered or laminated safety glasses originating from Israel and People's Republic of China under the CN code 70.07 were subject to anti-dumping duty; after the amendment, the rates of anti-dumping duties imposed to the products classified under the CN Codes 7007.21.20.00.21, 7007.21.20.00.31, 7007.21.20.80.21, 7007.21.20.80.31, 7007.29.00.00.11 and 7007.29.00.00.12 are treated separately and received a duty at a rate of 10% whereas the products classified under the CN Codes 7007.19.80.00.13, 7007.19.80.00.14 are excluded completely and are no longer subject to any anti-dumping duty.

- *Communiqué No. 2018/9 dated March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018 regarding the initiation of an anti-circumvention investigation on the imports of articulated link chains and parts thereof:*  
Currently, anti-dumping duties are imposed to the imports of articulated link chains and parts thereof classified under the CN Codes 7315.11.90.00.11, 7315.11.90.00.19, 7315.12.00.00.11, 7315.12.00.00.19 and 7315.19.00.00.00 originating from People's Republic of China as per the Communiqué No. 2010/13. With the Communiqué No. 2018/9 dated March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018, the Ministry initiated an anti-circumvention investigation regarding the imports of articulated link chains and parts thereof originating from India, Sri Lanka, Thailand and Spain.
- *Communiqué No. 2018/10 dated March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 concerning the imports of acrylic or modacrylic originating from People's Republic of China:*  
The Ministry has announced that it has initiated an anti-subsidy investigation on the imports of acrylic or modacrylic classified under the CN Code 5501.30.00.00.00 originating from People's Republic of China.
- *Communiqué No. 2018/11 dated March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018 concerning the imports of acrylic or modacrylic originating from Germany, South Korea, People's Republic of China and Thailand:*  
The Ministry has announced that it has initiated an anti-dumping investigation on the imports of acrylic or modacrylic classified under the CN Code 5501.30.00.00.00 originating from Germany, South Korea, People's Republic of China and Thailand.
- *Communiqué on the Amendment of the Communiqué No. 2016/53 dated March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 concerning the imports of hinges originating from People's Republic of China:*

As per the Communiqué No. 2016/53 the Ministry decided to apply anti-dumping measures (upon a sunset review) at rates between 0.75% and 1.64% to hinges classified under CN Codes 8302.10.00.00.11, 8302.10.00.00.19, 8302.50.00.00.00 and 8302.42.00.00.00. As per the Amendment of the Communiqué No. 2016/53, the Ministry applied a measure to hinges classified under CN Code 8302.10 instead of the CN Codes 8302.10.00.00.11 and 8302.10.00.00.19 that were indicated before the amendment.

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