

**NOTIFICATION UNDER ARTICLE 12.1(A) OF THE AGREEMENT ON  
SAFEGUARDS ON INITIATION OF AN INVESTIGATION AND  
THE REASONS FOR IT**

**TURKEY**

**(Certain Glassware)**

The following communication, dated 21 July 2004, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of Turkey.

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Pursuant to Article 12.1(a) of the WTO Agreement on Safeguards, Turkey hereby notifies the Committee on Safeguards that its competent authority has initiated a safeguard investigation on the imports of glassware of a kind used for table, kitchen, toilet, office, indoor decoration or similar purposes (other than that of heading No. 7010 or 7018).

1. Date of the investigation initiated

The investigation was initiated on 17 July 2004. The related Communiqué was published in the Official Gazette on the same date.

2. Product subject to the investigation

The product under investigation is glassware of a kind used for table, kitchen, toilet, office, indoor decoration or similar purposes (other than that of heading No. 7010 or 7018) hereinafter referred to as "the product concerned".

The product concerned is currently classified within the Turkish Customs Tariff Schedule 7013.

3. Reasons for the initiation of the investigation

The investigation was initiated following an evaluation of a safeguard petition from the domestic industry on the basis of the evidence and the information contained therein.

The data currently available shows a sharp increase in imports in absolute terms, and reduction in domestic production, sales volume, market share and prices.

<b>IMPORTS</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>
Volume (Pcs.)	40,134,932	19,172,972	27,174,379	46,372,645
Unit prices (USD/Pcs.)	0.66	0.70	0.63	0.46

4. Further Information

Interested parties must make themselves known within the period of 30 days after the initiation of the investigation.

Interested parties must submit their views and questionnaire replies or any other information within the period of 30 days after the initiation of the investigation. The questionnaires can be obtained from <http://www.dtm.gov.tr/ITHALAT/gozkor/ithalat.htm>

Interested parties may apply in written to be heard by the competent authority within 30 days after the initiation of the investigation.

All submissions and requests made by interested parties must be made in writing, and must indicate the name, address, e-mail address, telephone and fax numbers of the interested party.

The address of the competent authority for correspondence is:

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