

**Committee on Safeguards**

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**REQUEST FOR CONSULTATIONS FROM THE SEPARATE CUSTOMS  
TERRITORY OF TAIWAN, PENGHU, KINMEN AND MATSU UNDER  
ARTICLE 12.3 OF THE AGREEMENT ON SAFEGUARDS**

Imposition of a Safeguard Measure by the United States  
on Imports of Certain Steel Products

Supplement

The following communication, dated 25 March 2002, has been received from the Permanent Mission of the Separate Customs Territory of Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen and Matsu. This communication was received by the WTO Secretariat on 17 April 2002.

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I have been instructed by my Government to request consultations with the United States under Article 12.3 of the WTO Agreement on Safeguards regarding the 5 March 2002 Proclamation of the President of the United States instituting safeguard measures on the importation of certain steel products at a mutually agreeable time and venue.

We have a substantial interest in this matter as an exporter of products covered by the President's Proclamation, which is reflected in the notification made by the United States under Article 12.1(b) of the Agreement on Safeguards (document G/SG/N/8/USA/8/Suppl.1).

We reserve all the rights under the Agreement on Safeguards and the DSU, particularly Article 8 of the Agreement on Safeguards.

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