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Sent by email to darren.jones.mp@parliament.uk
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Dear Darren,

TRA proposes new measures to tackle dumping of optical fibre cable

I am writing to inform you that the Trade Remedies Authority has recently recommended putting a new trade remedy measure in place to protect the UK's optical fibre cable industry from harm caused by low-priced imports from China.

Optical fibre cable is used in the delivery of broadband services to homes and businesses. The TRA has been investigating whether imports of these products are being dumped in the UK at prices below what they would sell for in their home country.

During its investigation, the TRA determined that there is already damage to the UK industry, having found clear evidence of price undercutting, indicating that UK businesses are struggling to compete with the dumped imports. The TRA therefore recommended that the Secretary of State for Business and Trade put in place a [provisional measure](#) on these imports while it completes its investigation.

The TRA's initial conclusions are published on its public file in a [Statement of Essential Facts \(SEF\)](#). Interested parties to the case can register to comment on the findings and submit any additional evidence. The TRA will then assess any additional information and submit its final recommendation to the Secretary of State for Business & Trade for a decision.

You can view further information on this case on the [TRA's website](#). As ever, we would welcome an opportunity to discuss any of the above in more detail if that would be helpful. Email us at contact@traderemedies.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely,

Simon Walker
Chair