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Sent by email to trade.com@parliament.uk

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Dear Angus,

TRA reconsideration of the steel safeguards transition review

I am writing to inform you that the Trade Remedies Authority (TRA) has today begun a reconsideration of its decision in a transition review of the UK's steel safeguard measures.

In June the TRA recommended extending the UK's steel safeguard measures across 10 product categories for three years and revoking the measures on nine other product categories. This recommendation was accepted in part by the Secretary of State for International Trade, who provided for a 12-month extension of the current protections for five of the nine product categories which were originally recommended for revocation.

The TRA has subsequently received eight submissions requesting reconsideration of its recommendation, five from steel producers and three from importers and manufacturers.

The TRA will now review all relevant material, including any new information provided by parties requesting reconsideration, and will deliver a reconsidered decision either upholding or varying the original decision. We anticipate that the reconsideration will take several months to complete.

Reconsiderations are an established part of the UK's trade remedies regime and one of the main ways that entities can continue to make their case once a decision that affects them has been made. The TRA will reconsider the same issue as the original transition review, that is should the UK keep or change steel safeguard tariffs inherited from the EU? The reconsideration process is a check that this question was answered correctly.

Please do get in touch with us if you have any questions about any of our work at contact@traderemedies.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Simon Walker". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent initial "S" and a long, sweeping underline.

Simon Walker

Chair

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