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From: Mr Faruk KAYMAKCI, Ambassador, Permanent Delegation of Turkey to the European Union

On: 20 March 2017

To: Mr Jeppe TRANHOLM-MIKKELSEN, Secretary-General of the Council of the European Union

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Subject: Initiation of a dumping investigation concerning imports of "terephthalic acid" originating in inter alia the Kingdom of Belgium and the Kingdom of Spain

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Dear Mr. TRANHOLM-MIKKELSEN,

I would like to inform you that the Turkish Ministry of Economy received a properly documented complaint requesting to initiate a dumping investigation concerning imports of "terephthalic acid" classified under the CN Code 2917.36.00.00.11 originating inter alia in the Kingdom of Belgium and the Kingdom of Spain, upon which the Board of Evaluation of Unfair Competition in Imports decided to initiate an investigation.

Before the initiation of the investigation, the Embassies of the Kingdom of Belgium and the Kingdom of Spain in Ankara were notified by the Turkish Ministry of Foreign Affairs via Note Verbale in accordance with the Article 5.5. of the Agreement on Implementation of Article VI of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994.

After the publication of notice of initiation on 23/02/2017 in the Official Gazette of Turkey numbered 29988 with the Communiqué No: 2017/4, non-confidential summary of the complaint and questionnaire for producers/exporters were posted on the Ministry of Economy web page ([www.ekonimi.gov.tr](http://www.ekonimi.gov.tr)), under the headings "İthalat, Ticaret Politikası Savunma Araçları, Damping ve Sübvansiyon Soruşturmaları, Tereftalik Asit, Kore Cumhuriyeti, Beçika Krallığı ve İspanya Krallığı". Questionnaires have to be returned to the Ministry of Economy Directorate General for Imports in 37 days according to the provisions of Article 10 of the said Communiqué.

With respect to the aforementioned proceeding, this letter constitutes the official application to the Turkey-EC Association Council in accordance with Article 47 of the Additional Protocol to the Turkey-EC Association Agreement.

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Ambassador  
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