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

UKRAINE

Fresh cut roses

The following communication, dated 12 June 2020, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Ukraine.

Pursuant to Article 12.1(a) of the Agreement on Safeguards and using the format adopted by the Committee on Safeguards (G/SG/N/6), Ukraine hereby gives notification of the initiation of a safeguards investigatory process, as follows:

1 INVESTIGATION INITIATION DATE

On 28 May 2020 the investigation process was initiated in accordance with the Decision of the Interdepartmental Commission for International Trade of 22.05.2020 No. SP - 449/2020/4411-03 "On initiation and conduction of safeguard investigation on import in Ukraine of cut fresh roses regardless of country of origin and export".

2 PRODUCT SUBJECT TO INVESTIGATION

Fresh roses of a kind suitable for bouquets or for ornamental purposes classified under UKTZED code 0603 11 00 (UKTZED is the Ukrainian Foreign Economic Activity Commodity Classification, based on Harmonized System 2012).

3 REASONS FOR THE INITIATION OF INVESTIGATION

(i) The investigation has been initiated pursuant to the petition of the domestic industry, in particular by LLC "Ascania-Flora".

(ii) The statement sets out sufficiently substantiated evidence on the basis of which it can be considered as having been submitted by the appropriate national producer.

(iii) The statement provides sufficient substantiated evidence on the basis of which during 2016-2019 imports in Ukraine of fresh cut roses regardless of country of origin and export was carried out to such an extent and on such conditions that it could cause serious injury to the national producer.

4 THE CONTACT POINT FOR THE INVESTIGATION AND THE PREFERRED MEANS FOR CORRESPONDING

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5 DEADLINES AND PROCEDURES FOR IMPORTERS, EXPORTERS AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES TO PRESENT EVIDENCE

Notice of the Decision of the Interdepartmental Commission for International Trade of 22 May 2020 No. SP - 449/2020/4411-03 is published in the official newspaper "Uryadovuy Courier" of 28 May 2020, No. 100 (<https://cutt.ly/Py2kb4P>).

Within 30 days from the notice publication the Ministry for Development of Economy, Trade and Agriculture of Ukraine carries out registration of interested parties and considers the requirements for conducting of hearings. In investigation initiation enquiry it is necessary to indicate: name, juridical address, fax and telephone number, email and name of contact person, type of activity (producer, importer, exporter etc.). The recommended form for a request for registration as an interested party of an investigation is provided in the annex to the notice of the Decision.

Within 45 days from the notice publication the Ministry for Development of Economy, Trade and Agriculture of Ukraine considers the written comments on the initiation of investigation. Information should be provided in Ukrainian or in original language, accompanied by the Ukrainian translation. If case the information is confidential, it is necessary to prepare and submit to the Ministry both confidential and non-confidential versions.
