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Government of India
Department of Commerce
Ministry of Commerce and Industry
Directorate General of Trade Remedies
Jeevan Tara Building, New Delhi 110001

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NOTICE FOR ORAL HEARING

Subject: Oral hearing in Review Investigation for continued imposition of Safeguard Duty on imports of "Solar Cells whether or not assembled in modules or panels" into India (Case No SG 01/2020).

The aforesaid investigation was initiated on 03.03.2020 under the Custom Tariff (identification and Assessment of Safeguard) Rules, 1997 (for brevity, "the Rules"). As per Rule 6 (6) of the Rules "The Director General may allow an interested party or its representative to present the information relevant to the investigation orally but such oral information shall be taken into consideration by the Director General only when it is subsequently reproduced in writing".

- 2. In pursuance of the aforesaid provision and the prevailing COVID-19 pandemic, the Director General has scheduled an oral hearing in the matter through Digital Video Conference (DVC) on 11th June 2020 at 1430 Hrs (IST).
- 3. The technical details for participation in the DVC are annexed. Any interested party may participate in the oral hearing in case they wish to present such information relevant to the investigation.

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To All Interested Parties

<u>Technical Details for participation in the DVC pertaining to Review Investigation for continued imposition of Safeguard Duty on imports of "Solar Cells whether or not assembled in modules or panels" into India on 11th June 2020 at 1430 Hrs (IST)</u>

- 1. The Digital Video conference (DVC) has been organised keeping in view the Covid-19 situation as is also mentioned in the Trade Notice 01/2020 dated 10.04.2020, uploaded on DGTR's website http://www.dgtr.gov.in/sites/default/files/Trade%20Notice%20Covid%2019.pdf.
- 2. To keep the participation manageable through digital mode, the number of participants of any interested party is restricted to two including the legal representative/coordinator. However, in cases where an interested party may require their additional persons to participate, the Authority may permit one additional participant for which request should be sent at least 24 hours in advance.
- 3. Any intended party may participate in the Video Conference through the following two modes:
 (a) Static IP: Static IP of the party should be shared with DGTR at least 24 hours prior to the start of the oral hearing
 (b) weblink: DGTR would be providing web link, to enable the interested parties to participate through web room
 (WR) mode. The interested party should confirm their participation at least 24 hours advance. The interested parties
 would need to click on the link provided to join the video conference.
- 4. An interested party should provide: (i) Name of the organisation/company, (ii) Mobile No, and Landline No (with country/state code) and (iii) e-mail addresses of their legal representative/coordinator who would participate in the hearing by sending an e-mail to adg11-dgtr@gov.in and dd17-dgtr@gov.in. Those interested parties who wish to join through static IP address may provide the IP address also. For such interested parties the IP address provided by NIC would be shared with them along with a password through email.
- 5. To participate in the video conferencing through Web Room, please download the application 'Vidyo' for joining the video conference through mobile/desktop. In case of any difficulty to join the video conference though 'Vidyo', copy and paste the link on Internet Explorer/Chrome to join the video conference. Participants are advised to use headphones to minimise background noise. For any technical assistance, participant may call on the mobile number of the technical coordinator (Mr. Abhishek Kumar Sanu, Mobile. No. +91- 9958847010).
- 6. The Directorate would share the weblink with the coordinator/legal representative of the interested party prior to the oral hearing who may share it further with their other permitted participants.
- 7. Since oral submissions are to be subsequently reproduced in writing by each interested party after the oral hearing, the interested parties are requested to be brief and restrict their oral submissions to key aspects only, by one of their representatives.
- 8. In case any participant who joins the DVC, is made to complete his/her submission for any technical reason, may file written submission which will be taken on record. Further, all written submissions will be shared amongst all participating interested parties as per the usual practice so as to enable all interested parties to file rejoinders. The time schedule for written submissions and rejoinders will be informed during the oral hearing.
- 9. The concerned Embassy/Country representative office in India are requested to encourage/facilitate participation of the interested parties from their country in the oral hearing through DVC.