

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

## INITIATION OF AN ANTI-DUMPING INVESTIGATION CONCERNING IMPORTS OF POLYETHYLENE TEREPHTHALATE ORIGINATING OR EXPORTED FROM THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA, REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA, JAPAN, REPUBLIC OF KOREA, THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM

On 30 June 2020, the Government of Malaysia received a petition from a domestic producer, Recron (Malaysia) Sdn. Bhd. requesting for an anti-dumping investigation on imports of polyethylene terephthalate with intrinsic viscosity of 0.70 decilitres/gram or more (subject merchandise). The Petitioner alleged that imports of these subject merchandises originating or exported from the People's Republic of China, the Republic of Indonesia, Japan, the Republic of Korea, the United States of America and the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam are being dumped into Malaysia at a price much lower than the selling price in the domestic market of the alleged countries and this is causing material injury to the domestic industry in Malaysia.

The Petitioner further claimed that the dumped imports from the alleged countries have increased in terms of absolute quantity and have caused material injury to the domestic industry. The Government has evaluated and considered the *prima facie* evidence of dumping, injury and causal link and decided to initiate an anti-dumping investigation on imports of the subject merchandise from the alleged countries.

In accordance with the Countervailing and Anti-Dumping Duties Act 1993 and its related Regulations, a preliminary determination will be made within 120 days from the date of initiation. If the preliminary determination is affirmative, the Government will impose a provisional anti-dumping duty at the rate that is necessary to prevent further injury to the domestic industry.

In connection with this investigation, the Ministry of International Trade and Industry (MITI) will provide a set of questionnaires to interested parties, such as importers, foreign producers, exporters and associations. Other interested parties may request for the questionnaires in writing to MITI no later than 12 August 2020. Interested parties may also provide additional supporting evidence to MITI by 27 August 2020. In the event no response is received within the specified period, the Government will make its preliminary findings based on the best facts available.



Further enquiries concerning this investigation can be directed to:

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