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**NOTIFICATION UNDER ARTICLE 12.5 OF THE AGREEMENT
ON SAFEGUARDS ON THE RESULTS OF PRIOR CONSULTATIONS**

THAILAND

(Non Alloy Hot Rolled Steel Flat Products in Coils and Not in Coils)

The following communication, dated 6 February 2015, is being circulated at the request of the delegations of Thailand and Japan.

1 PROVISION UNDER WHICH CONSULTATIONS WERE HELD

Article 12.3 of the Agreement on Safeguards.

**2 WTO DOCUMENTS THAT NOTIFIED THE SAFEGUARD ACTION REGARDING WHICH
CONSULTATIONS WERE HELD**

WTO document G/SG/N/7/THA/3 – G/SG/N/11/THA/3, dated 28 May 2014 and G/SG/N/7/THA/3/Suppl. 1 - G/SG/N/11/THA/3/Suppl. 1, dated 25 September 2014.

**3 MEMBERS INVOLVED IN THE CONSULTATIONS, AND TIME-PERIOD DURING WHICH
CONSULTATIONS WERE HELD**

The Members involved in the consultations were Thailand and Japan. The consultations took place on 2 December 2014.

4 THE RESULTS OF THE CONSULTATIONS

Japan expressed concern on the negative effects towards domestic users in Thailand, especially users in the automotive and construction industries, if Thailand continues to impose the definitive safeguard measure on Non Alloy Hot Rolled Steel Products in Coils and Not in Coils.

Japan requested for an exemption for certain steel products from the imposition of safeguard measure, with a view to avoid negative impact on the related industries from the increasing cost.

Thailand noted Japan's concern and request, and informed that Thailand will carefully take into consideration of Japan's request.
