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INDONESIA – SAFEGUARD ON CERTAIN IRON OR STEEL PRODUCTS

COMMUNICATION FROM INDONESIA

The following communication, dated 15 April 2019, was received from the delegation of Indonesia with the request that it be circulated to the Dispute Settlement Body (DSB).

My authorities have instructed me to request that the following communication be circulated to the Dispute Settlement Body (DSB).

On 27 August 2018, the Dispute Settlement Body ("DSB") adopted its recommendations and rulings in the dispute *Indonesia – Safeguard on Iron or Steel Products* (WT/DS490/10 and WT/DS496/11).

In a communication dated 16 September 2018, Indonesia informed the DSB of its intention to implement the recommendations and rulings of the DSB in this dispute. Pursuant to Article 21.3(b) of the Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes (DSU), Indonesia, Chinese Taipei and Viet Nam have mutually agreed on reasonable period of time that expired on 27 March 2019 (WT/DS490/12 and WT/DS496/13).

With respect to the DSB's recommendations and rulings, I am pleased to inform you that on 22 March 2019, Indonesia has adopted the Minister of Finance (MoF) Regulation No. 26/PMK.010/2019 to amend the MoF regulation No. 130/PMK/010/2017 concerning Imposition of Safeguard Duty on Imports of Flat-Rolled Products of Iron or Non-Alloy Steel or "galvalume" (regulation as attached). The regulation enacted and entered into force on 22 March 2019. By the adoption of this regulation, the safeguard measure challenged by Chinese Taipei and Viet Nam ceases to exist. Consequently, there will be no imposition of any additional safeguard duty (in the form of specific duty) on import galvalume started on 28 March 2019 (on a non-discriminatory basis).

The adoption of this regulation ensures the full implementation of the DSB recommendations and rulings in these disputes.

In regards of the aforementioned development, my authorities have instructed me to request that an agenda regarding implementation of the recommendations adopted by the DSB for *Indonesia – Safeguard on Certain Iron or Steel Products* (WT/DS490/DS496) be inscribed on the agenda of the meeting of the Dispute Settlement Body to be held on 26 April 2019.
