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SAFEGUARD MEASURES IMPOSED BY JORDAN ON PASTA AND SANITARY WARE PRODUCTS

Notification to the Council for Trade in Goods of the Results of Prior Consultations between Jordan and Turkey under Article 12.3 of the Agreement on Safeguards

The following communication, dated 26 May 2003, has been received from the Permanent Missions of Turkey and Jordan.

Please receive a joint notification pursuant to Article 12.5 of the *Agreement on Safeguards*, of the results of the prior consultations under Article 12.3 of that Agreement which took place between Jordan and Turkey on 23 February 2003 in relation to the application of the measures by Jordan on pasta and sanitary ware products mentioned in notifications G/SG/N/8/JOR/3 (27 January 2003) and G/SG/N/8/JOR/4 (28 January 2003) respectively.

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Pursuant to Article 12.5 of the Agreement on Safeguards, and in light of the agreed format for notifications (G/SG/1, 1 July 1996), Jordan and Turkey provide the following notification to the Council for Trade in Goods.

Notification under Article 12.5 of the results of the prior consultations under Article 12.3 of the Agreement on Safeguards which took place between Jordan and Turkey on 23 February 2003 in relation to the application of the measures by Jordan on pasta and sanitary ware products.

1. Specify the provision under which consultations were held

Article 12.3.

2. Provide reference to the WTO document that notified the safeguard action regarding which consultations were held

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3. Specify the Members involved in the consultations and provide the time period during which consultations were held

The Members involved in the consultations were Jordan and Turkey. The consultations took place over a period of approximately 2 hours on 23 February 2003.

4. Describe the results of the consultations

The consultations were aimed at clarifying the factual and legal issues related to the safeguard investigations conducted by Jordan on pasta and sanitary ware products. Turkey raised its concerns regarding both safeguard investigations and asked questions mainly relating to factual and legal aspects of the application of the measures, Jordan's perception about issues including unforeseen developments, specific product definition, the increase in imports, injury, determination of a causal link, publication of a detailed analysis of a report.

Jordan expressed its appreciation for the consultation and the questions raised by Turkey, and provided its explanations to the issues invoked thereof. Also, Jordan stated that it had fully complied with the rules and spirit of the WTO Agreements especially the Agreement on Safeguards and GATT 1994.

In conclusion, Turkey stated that it reserves all its rights regarding the pursuit of remedies provided under Article 8 of the Agreement on Safeguards. Additionally, Turkey expressed its appreciation for the consultation and the answers provided, whilst noting that the explanations given would not necessarily wholly satisfy all its concerns.
