**SOUTH AFRICA - Safeguard - Bolts**

Please find below information regarding a new safeguard investigation initiated by South Africa.

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| 1 | Product: | Bolts with hexagon heads of iron or steel |
| 2 | Country taking action: | South Africa |
| 3 | EU Countries concerned: | Erga omnes |
| 4 | Type of Case: | Safeguard |
| 5 | Status + Date: | Initiation on 15 May 2020  (see attached WTO notification published on 25 May 2020) |
| 6 | Tariff codes: | 7318.15.43 |
| 7 | Comext: | Will follow |
| 8 | Comments: | · Deadline for registration: Interested parties must make themselves known within a period of 20 days after the initiation of the investigation.    · Any information which the interested parties may wish to submit in writing and any request for a hearing that they may wish to put forward should be submitted within 20 days following the initiation of this investigation. |

We would appreciate if you could transmit this information to producers/associations potentially affected by this investigation, who may also contact us directly at [Trade.Defence.Third.Countries@ec.europa.eu](mailto:Trade.Defence.Third.Countries@ec.europa.eu)

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Please do not hesitate to contact us for further questions.

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