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NOTIFICATION UNDER ARTICLE 12.1(B) OF THE AGREEMENT ON SAFEGUARDS ON FINDING A SERIOUS INJURY OR THREAT THEREOF CAUSED BY INCREASED IMPORTS

NOTIFICATION UNDER ARTICLE 12.1(C) OF THE AGREEMENT ON SAFEGUARDS ON TAKING A DECISION TO APPLY A SAFEGUARD MEASURE

NOTIFICATION PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 9, FOOTNOTE 2, OF THE AGREEMENT ON SAFEGUARDS

RUSSIAN FEDERATION

(Harvesters and modules thereof)

The following communication dated 17 June 2013, is being circulated at the request of the Delegation of the Russian Federation.

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With reference to the Notification of the Russian Federation under Article 12.1(b) of the Agreement on Safeguards on finding a serious injury or threat thereof caused by increased imports (WTO document G/SG/N/8/RUS/1), hereby the Russian Federation notifies the Committee on Safeguards that in course of the safeguard investigation with regard to the imports of combine harvesters and modules thereof into the single customs territory of the Customs Union the Department for Internal Market Defence of the Eurasian Economic Commission (hereinafter 'the Department') has made a conclusion on the appropriate remedy.

In line with the provisions of Article 12.1(b), 12.1(c) and 12.2 of the Agreement on Safeguards, the Russian Federation notifies the Committee on Safeguards of the proposed measure.

The Department proposes to apply a safeguard measure in the form of a safeguard duty initially at the rate of 26.7% *ad valorem* of the customs value of the product being imported into the single customs territory of the Customs Union.

The measure is expected to become effective 30 calendar days from the date of the official publication of the decision of the Eurasian Economic Commission on application of the measure.

The proposed period of application of the safeguard measure including the period of application of the provisional safeguard measure as notified by the WTO documents G/SG/N/7/RUS/1/Suppl.1-G/SG/N/11/RUS/1/Suppl.1 (from 25 February 2013 till 5 July 2013) is 3 years.

The safeguard measure is proposed to be liberalized as follows.

Period of application	**From the date of entering into force of the decision of the Eurasian Economic Commission on application of the measure until 14 March 2014**	**From 15 March 2014 until 14 March 2015**	**From 15 March 2015 until 14 March 2016**
Rate of duty, % of the customs value of the product being imported into the single customs territory of the Customs Union	26.7	26.2	25.7

The proposed measure shall not be applied to the product originating in the developing countries – users of the Customs Union Tariff Preferences System except for the People's Republic of China. Shares of imports from these countries except for the People's Republic of China individually do not exceed 3% and collectively do not account for more than 9%.

Consistent with Article 12.3 of the Agreement on Safeguards, the Russian Federation is prepared to hold consultations with those Members having a substantial interest as exporters of the product concerned, with a view to, *inter alia*, reviewing the information provided in this document and the WTO document G/SG/N/8/RUS/1, exchanging views on the measure and reaching an understanding on ways to achieve the objective set out in paragraph 1 of Article 8.

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