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# Introduction

In compliance with the basic objectives of the Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf, and in conformity with the objectives of the GCC Unified Economic Convention seeking to achieve economic integration among GCC member states, and aware of the crucial role played by GCC industries in the economies of the GCC member states, it becomes vital for the member states to take necessary measures on dumping, subsidy and increase of imports, which cause injury, threat of injury, or retardation to GCC industries.

Pursuant to Article 86 of the Rules of Implementation of the GCC Common Law on Antidumping, Countervailing Measures and Safeguard Measures which states, "The Technical Secretariat issues an Official Gazette where it publishes all publications required under this Common Law and its Rules of Implementation". Hereby, GCC-Bureau of Technical Secretariat for Anti Injurious Practices in International Trade pleased to publish the Notice Volume No (28) of the Official Gazette of GCC-Bureau of Technical Secretariat for Anti-Injurious Practices in International Trade.

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In conformity with the GCC Common Law on Anti-Dumping, Countervailing and Safeguard Measures and its Rules of Implementation (Regulation), and upon the decision no. (24/AD6/2019) of the Permanent Committee of Anti Injurious practices in the International Trade (Permanent Committee), regarding accepting the complaint and approving the initiation of the investigation on imports of Portland Cement, Aluminous Cement, Slag Cement, Supersulphate Cement, and Similar Hydraulic Cement, Whether or not Colored or in the Form of Clinkers - (Product under investigation) - from the Islamic Republic of Iran and based on the Permanent Committee's decision No. (30/6AD/2020) proposing the imposition of definitive anti-dumping duties on the GCC imports of the product under investigation from the concerned country to the provisions of Article (9) of the GCC common Law, and referring to the Ministerial Committee's approval on the Permanent Committee's decision No. (30/6AD/2020) pursuant to the provisions of Article (37) the Rules of Implementation, the GCC Bureau of Technical Secretariat for Anti-injurious Practices in International Trade (GCC-TSAIP) hereby announces the imposition of definitive anti-dumping duties on the GCC imports of the product under investigation originating in or exported from the Islamic Republic of Iran according to the following:



## 1. Product under investigation subject to the definitive duties

Portland cement, aluminous cement, slag cement, supersulphate cement, and similar hydraulic cement, whether or not colored or in the form of clinkers. The product under investigation is classified under the following GCC-Unified Tariff Code from item: (2523).

### 2. Duration of the definitive duties:

The definitive antidumping duties shall enter into force for a period not exceeding 5 years starting from the date: **20**<sup>th</sup> **June 2020.** 

#### 3. Form of the definitive duties:

The definitive anti-dumping duties shall take the form of *ad valorem* duties as percentages of the CIF value according to the following table:

| Country                  | Exporters/Producers names | Dumping margin as a percentage of the CIF value |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Islamic Republic of Iran | All companies             | 67.5%   |

# 4. The reasons leading to the imposition of the definitive duties:

### 4. 1 Determination of Dumping:

The investigation concluded that the imports of the product under investigation originating in or exported from the concerned country are being imported to the GCC market at dumped prices.

#### 4. 2 Determination of Material Injury and Causal link:

There was a significant increase in the volume of dumped imports from Iran,
 either in absolute terms or relative to the production, and an increase in the market
 share of these dumped imports at the contrary of the market shares of the GCC
 industry, and other imports.

- It was found that there is a large impact of dumped imports from Iran on the selling prices of the GCC industry, as it was found that there is a price undercutting between the average selling price of the GCC product and the average selling price of the product under investigation.
- It was found that there is material injury represented by the decrease in the volume of production and sales of the GCC industry, and the economic and financial indicators of the industry were negatively affected during the period of investigation.
- It was found that the factors other than dumped imports from Iran did not contribute to the material injury of the GCC industry.
- Therefore, it is definitively determined that there is sufficient evidence of the existence of the causal link between the increase in dumped imports from Iran of the product under investigation and the material injury to the GCC industry.

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