

**NOTICE ON THE INITIATION OF THE INVESTIGATION FOR SAFEGUARD AGAINST THE INCREASED VOLUME OF IMPORTS OF FLAT ROLLED PRODUCTS OF IRON OR NON –ALLOY STEEL OR OTHER ALLOY STEEL EXCLUDING STAINLESS STEEL.**

The Ministry of Trade and industry has received the following application regarding the imposition of remedial measure (Safeguard) as per application made by South African Iron and Steel Institute (SAISI) to the South African International Administration Commission (ITAC).

**Products subject to the investigations:** 7209.15, 7209.16, 7209.17, and 7209.18, 7225.50 and 7226.92

**The reasons for the initiation of investigation:** The investigation was initiated following an evaluation of a safeguard petition from the SAISI. Based on the preliminary assessment of the data submitted by SAISI, it showed that:

- a. There is an overwhelming increase in volume of imports of the product under investigation
- b. SACU industry has suffered serious injury thereof

The measure is justified by the unforeseen developments which have led to a considerable oversupply of steel in the world causing surge of imports and threatening to cause serious injury to the SACU steel producers.

Interested parties will be given a copy of the investigation and they should submit their comments on this matter to the Manager: Trade Remedies, OBFC not later than 12<sup>th</sup> August, 2016 at [masiasekone@ymail.com/masiasekone@gmail.com](mailto:masiasekone@ymail.com/masiasekone@gmail.com)  
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