



Canada's anti-dumping investigation into imports of wheat gluten from Austria, Belgium, France, Germany and Lithuania

European Commission

What is an anti-dumping investigation?

- Investigations carried out by WTO members on imports of other members.
- Legal basis: WTO Anti-dumping Agreement.
- Initiated on the basis of a complaint lodged by the domestic industry containing “sufficient evidence”.
- Objective: to investigate whether imports of a certain product are dumped and this dumping causes injury to the domestic industry.
- If this is the case, an anti-dumping duty is imposed to dumped imports to restore the level playing field / fair trading conditions.



What is dumping?

Dumping: a product is exported at a price lower than its "normal value".

Normal value: the price of a product when sold on the domestic market or its cost of production.

Domestic price = 100

Export price = 80



Dumping margin = 20

How can the Commission support EU exporters?

- Ensure that third countries respect WTO and bilateral rules.
- Assist and defend interests of EU industries/Member States targeted, to reduce economic impact of third country measures.
- Inform MS/industry of new cases
- Intervene as interested party at technical level (submissions, hearings, ..)
- Reply to questionnaires (Particular market situation / Subsidy)
- Political intervention (EU delegation, COM hierarchy)
- WTO action

Anti-dumping investigation by Canada on EU imports of wheat gluten(AT, BE, FR, DE, LT + AUS)

- Initiated 14 August 2020, following an application by the Canadian industry (ADM Agri-Industries Co.)
- Industry claims: - Imports from the subject countries have increased in 2017-2019 and are causing injury to the Canadian industry.
 - A “Particular Market Situation” (PMS) exists in the EU market of wheat gluten. Input costs are distorted by government support to biofuel and wheat.
- Investigation in two steps:
 - Dumping investigation by the Canadian Border Services Agency (CBSA)
 - Injury investigation by the Canadian International Trade Tribunal (CITT)

Dumping investigation - CBSA

- Initiated: 14 August 2020
 - EU submission on 11 September 2020.
 - Exporter questionnaires: 14 companies responded (only 3 complete).
 - Government questionnaires (PMS): EU Commission, BE, DE, LT, FR responded.
- Preliminary measures on 23 December 2020. Duties ranged from 10,1% to 26,1%.
 - EU submission on 29 January 2021.
- Notice of final determination on dumping CBSA - 23 March 2021:
 - Final duties lower than provisional for some companies. Ranging from 10% to 26,2%.
 - No finding of Particular Market Situation.

Injury investigation - CITT

- Initiated on 24 December 2020.
- Claims:
 - EU imports undercut CAN prices causing price depression
 - CAN market share decreased
 - Revenue and profitability impacted
- EU Exporters' participation : Participation of 2 companies.
- Preliminary injury determination: 13 October 2020
- EU support: - EU submission on injury 8 March 2021
 - Hearing participation 24 March 2021
- Injury final determination on : 22 April 2021 (Statement of Reasons 6 May 2021)



THANK YOU!