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Dated: 24th January, 2022

INITIATION NOTIFICATION

(Case No. AD (OI) -16/2021)

Subject: Initiation of anti-dumping investigation concerning imports of “Vinyl Tiles other than in roll or sheet form” originating in or exported from China PR, Taiwan and Vietnam-reg.

1. F. No. 6/17/2021 – DGTR- Having regards to the Customs Tariff Act, 1975, as amended from time to time (hereinafter also referred to as the "Act") and the Customs Tariff (Identification, Assessment and Collection of Anti-dumping Duty on Dumped Articles and for Determination of Injury) Rules, 1995, as amended from time to time (hereinafter also referred to as the "Rules" or the “Anti-Dumping Rules”), Welspun India Limited, Welspun Flooring Limited and Welspun Global Brands Limited (hereinafter also referred to as the “applicants” or the “petitioners”) have filed a petition before the designated authority (hereinafter also referred to as the “authority”) seeking imposition of the anti-dumping duty on the imports of Vinyl Tiles other than in roll or sheet form (hereinafter referred to as the “subject goods” or the “product under consideration”) originating in or exported from China PR, Taiwan and Vietnam (hereinafter also referred to as the “subject countries”).
2. The applicants have alleged that the dumping of the product under consideration from the subject countries is materially retarding the establishment of the domestic industry in India which started commercial production in September, 2019. The applicants have submitted that the industry and the product under consideration are at the nascent stage. As the product is in the developing phase, newer attributes are being added based on the demand and the expectations of the consumers. While the product was originally conceived without a foam, the current demand is with IXPE foam. With increase in the attributes, the costs have increased but the price for the product under consideration in the market has declined. Further, the applicants have submitted that although they commenced production on 13th September 2019, they have not been able to find a place in the market yet.