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PROVISIONAL ANTI-DUMPING DUTIES IMPOSED ON GALVANISED STEEL IMPORTS FROM CHINA, KOREA, AND VIETNAM FOLLOWING AFFIRMATIVE PRELIMINARY DETERMINATION BY THE MINISTRY OF INVESTMENT, TRADE AND INDUSTRY

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On 4 July 2025, the Ministry of Investment, Trade and Industry ("MITI") issued its Affirmative Preliminary Determination in the anti-dumping investigation concerning imports of flat-rolled products of iron alloy or non-alloy steel, plated or coated with zinc, using the hot dip process (galvanised steel coils/sheets or galvanised iron coils/sheets) ("GI") originating in or exported from the People's Republic of China, the Republic of Korea, and the Socialist Republic of Viet Nam.

GI is the most economical and effective coated steel product, with the application of a zinc coating (known as the galvanising process) that provides proper steel corrosion protection. GI has wide-ranging uses across

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various industries, including construction, home appliances, hardware and accessories, and automotive parts.

The Affirmative Preliminary Determination issued by MITI follows a petition filed by CSC Steel Sdn. Bhd. ("CSC Steel"), representing the domestic industry, pursuant to the Countervailing and Anti-Dumping Duties Act 1993 ("CAADA") and its accompanying Regulations. The petition was supported by prima facie evidence of dumping margins and material injury, prompting MITI to initiate a formal investigation and conduct a detailed assessment of pricing data, industry performance indicators, and relevant import data in accordance with the CAADA.

Provisional Measures

Following its preliminary findings, MITI has imposed provisional antidumping duties, effective from 7 July 2025¹. The rates vary by exporter and country, with the highest margins exceeding 50%. These duties act as a temporary safeguard and are intended to mitigate further injury to the domestic industry during the remainder of the investigation period. The duties apply as follows:

Country	Producer/Exporter	Dumping Margin / Provisional Duty (%)
China	Baoshan Iron & Steel Co., Ltd.	8.73%
	Baosteel Zhanjiang Iron & Steel Co., Ltd.	3.86%
	Beijing Shougang Cold Rolling Co., Ltd.	4.85%
	Fujian Kaijing Greentech Material Co., Ltd.	7.94%
	Shougang Jingtang United Iron & Steel Co., Ltd.	14.85%
	Others	26.80%
Republic of Korea	Hyundai Steel Company	8.97%
	KG Dongbu Steel Co., Ltd.	16.06%
	POSCO Co., Ltd.	11.66%
	Others	31.47%

^[1] See the Federal Government Gazette P.U (B) 260/2025 here: https://lom.agc.gov.my/act-view.php?type=pua&no=P.U.%20(B)%20260/2025&status=PRINCIPAL

The Socialist Republic of Viet Nam	China Steel and Nippon Steel Vietnam	18.86%
	Hoa Phat Steel Sheet Co., Ltd.	16.81%
	Hoa Sen Group	11.41%
	Nam Kim Steel JSC	15.32%
	Southern Steel Sheet Co., Ltd.	16.51%
	Tan Phuoc Khanh T&M Coil Steel JSC	57.90%
	Tay Nam Steel M&T Co., Ltd.	35.81%
	Ton Dong A Corporation	24.39%
	TVP Steel JSC	20.28%
	Others	57.90%

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MITI is now required to make its final determination within 120 days from 7 July 2025, as prescribed in the Notice of Affirmative Preliminary Determination. If the final determination affirms the findings of dumping and injury, definitive anti-dumping duties may be imposed under the CAADA for a period of up to five years.

Concluding Thoughts

The imposition of provisional anti-dumping duties reflects Malaysia's active enforcement of its trade remedy laws to prevent injurious pricing practices. It serves as a warning to importers and exporters alike that the Malaysian Government remains committed to defending its domestic manufacturing base from unfair trade.

By issuing an affirmative preliminary determination and applying provisional measures, MITI has taken a firm step to safeguard domestic producers from further injury while the investigation proceeds.

CSC Steel was assisted by Jason Tan Jia Xin and Nathaniel Jagan of Lee Hishammuddin Allen & Gledhill's Tax, Customs & Trade Practice.

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