

Specific Privacy Statement

Information gathering under Article 9 of Regulation (EU) No 654/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 May 2014 concerning the exercise of the EU's rights for the application and enforcement of international trade rules (OJ L 189, 27.6.2014, p. 50–58; 2014R0654 — EN — 05.11.2015 — 001.001)

1. Objective

The objective of this information gathering exercise is to seek views and information regarding the Union's economic interests from private stakeholders, affected by an US tariff increase on imports of certain derivative aluminium products and certain derivative steel products¹ originating from, inter alia, the EU, or by possible EU commercial policy measures in response.

The exercise is carried out under the responsibility of the Head of the Unit, TRADE.A.3 Information, Communication and Civil Society, Directorate-General for TRADE, acting as the Controller.

As this exercise collects and further processes personal data, [Regulation \(EU\) 2018/1725](#) of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2018 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data by the Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies and on the free movement of such data (repealing Regulation (EC) No 45/2001), is applicable.

2. What personal information do we collect and through which technical means?

Identification Data

The personal data collected and further processed are data necessary for the participation in the information gathering, such as name/surname/profession/ postal and e-mail addresses/phone number/fax number, including views on the topics concerned.

The processing operations on personal data linked to the organisation and management of this information gathering are necessary for the management and functioning of the Commission, as mandated by the Treaties, and more specifically Article 5 of TEU, Article 13 TEU and Articles 244-250 TFEU, and in accordance with Article 1 and Article 11 of TEU.

Technical information

Your reply and personal data will be collected through e-mail. The e-mail system of the European Commission abides by the Commission's security decisions and provisions established by the Directorate of IT Security in DG DIGIT.

¹ On 24 January 2020 the United States of America ("United States") adopted safeguard measures in the form of a tariff increase on imports of certain derivative aluminium articles and certain derivative steel articles (at rates of 10% and 25% respectively) effective from 8 February 2020 and with an unlimited duration (Proclamation 9980 of January 24, 2020, Adjusting Imports of Derivative Aluminum Articles and Derivative Steel Articles Into the United States, Federal Register vol. 85, no. 19, January 29, 2020).

3. Who has access to your information and to whom is it disclosed?

The access to all personal data as well as all information collected in the context of this information gathering is only granted through UserId/Password to a defined population of users, without prejudice to a possible transmission to the bodies in charge of a monitoring or inspection task in accordance with Union legislation. These users typically are members of the Unit organising the information gathering inside DG TRADE acting as Processor.

No personal data is transmitted to parties which are outside the recipients and the legal framework mentioned.

The European Commission will not share personal data with third parties for direct marketing.

4. How do we protect and safeguard your information?

Your replies, together with your chosen language used for drafting the reply, are recorded in a secured and protected database hosted by the Data Centre of the European Commission, the operations of which abide by the Commission's security decisions and provisions established by the Directorate of IT Security in DG DIGIT for this kind of servers and services. The database is not accessible from outside the Commission. Inside the Commission the database can be accessed using a UserId/Password.

5. How can you verify, modify or delete your information?

In case you want to verify which personal data is stored on your behalf by the responsible controller, have it modified respectively corrected or deleted, please contact the Controller by using the Contact Information below and by explicitly specifying your request.

6. How long do we keep your data?

Your personal data will be part of a list of contact details shared internally amongst the staff of Commission for the purpose of contacting you in the future in the context of the Commission activities. If you do not agree with this, please contact the Controller by using the Contact Information below and by explicitly specifying your request.

7. Contact Information

In case you wish to verify which personal data is stored on your behalf by the responsible controller, have it modified, corrected, or deleted, or if you have questions regarding the information gathering, or concerning any information processed in the context of the information gathering, or on your rights, feel free to contact the support team, operating under the responsibility of the Controller, using the following contact information:

DG TRADE

TRADE-REG-654-2014-INFOGATHERING@ec.europa.eu

8. Recourse

Complaints, in case of conflict, can be addressed to the [European Data Protection Supervisor](#).