#### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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# The Trade Preference Scheme (Developing Countries Trading Scheme) Regulations 2023

### PART 7

## Warning and assessment procedure

#### Warning

- **22.**—(1) When publishing a warning in accordance with regulation 21(1)(a), the Secretary of State must include—
  - (a) details of the circumstances leading the Secretary of State to consider taking a specified action;
  - (b) the period within which representations may be made ("the representations period") by—
    - (i) a qualifying DCTS country;
    - (ii) an interested party, where the specified action being considered is the suspension of a country from the DCTS, or the suspension or variation of DCTS rates on specified DCTS goods originating from a qualifying DCTS country under regulations 16(5) or 17(1);
    - (iii) a person or persons affected as defined in paragraph 3 of Schedule 4, where the specified action being considered is the application of a trade preference safeguard measure under regulation 19;
  - (c) the specified action or actions the Secretary of State may take after an assessment is carried out.
  - (2) The Secretary of State may—
    - (a) publish more than one warning (whether or not at the same time);
    - (b) specify different actions under paragraph (1)(c) in such warning.
  - (3) A warning is valid for a period which—
    - (a) begins with the day on which the warning is published;
    - (b) ends with the day on which the outcome of the assessment is published.
- (4) For the purpose of this regulation a warning is published when it is posted electronically on https://www.gov.uk.