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SAFEGUARD INVESTIGATION

CERTAIN ALUMINIUM EXTRUSIONS

IMPORTER AND DISTRIBUTOR

QUESTIONNAIRE

Investigation period: 1 January 2022 to 31 December 2025

Response due: 25 June 2026

Return completed questionnaire to:

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Trade Remedies

Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment

New Zealand

June 2026

Request for information

The purpose of this questionnaire is to support the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) gather evidence to support its investigation as required in section 13 of the *Trade (Safeguard Measures) Act 2014* (the Act), and ultimately MBIE's advice to the Minister whether:

- a provisional safeguard duty should be applied, under section 14 of the Act, and
- whether a safeguard measure should be imposed under section 19 of the Act.

We are seeking information from a range of interested persons, including importers, and the domestic industry. We encourage you to complete the questionnaire, thereby ensuring that we have the best possible information to support our advice to the Minister.

Your response is requested by **5pm 25 June 2026**.

Submissions from interested persons on matters other than the questionnaire can be made to MBIE throughout the investigation. Timely submissions are encouraged to ensure that information can be appropriately considered.

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Safeguard investigation

On 28 May 2026, the Minister of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (the Minister) initiated a safeguard investigation into imports of certain aluminium extrusions under section 8(1) of the Act.

Application from the New Zealand aluminium industry

The investigation is a response to an application from the New Zealand aluminium industry, represented by the Aluminium Extruders Association of New Zealand (ALENZ). In January 2026, ALENZ submitted evidence that increased imports of certain aluminium extrusions are causing serious injury to the domestic industry. The Minister determined that there were reasonable grounds to initiate a safeguard investigation.

Non-confidential copies of the application, and advice to the Minister of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, are available at [Trade remedy investigations | Ministry of Business, Innovation & Employment](#).

What is included in this safeguard investigation?

Subject Goods
<i>Aluminium extrusions produced via an extrusion process, of alloys having metallic elements falling within the alloy designations published by The Aluminium Association commencing with 1, 2, 3, 5, 6 or 7 (or proprietary or other certifying body equivalents), with the finish being as extruded (mill) as described as industrial/geometric shapes.</i> This includes aluminium extrusion products that have been further processed or fabricated to a limited extent, after aluminium has been extruded through a die.
Countries
Safeguard investigations consider imports from all countries. This investigation will consider imports of aluminium extrusions from 1 January 2022 to 31 December 2025. Any subsequent advice and decision to impose safeguard measures will necessarily exclude imports from Australia and Singapore, pursuant to commitments made with those countries in bilateral trade agreements. Further, advice and decisions on safeguard measures will be in line with New Zealand's commitments to the World Trade Organization (WTO). As such, exceptions will be made for products originating from developing countries, in line with article 9(1) of the <i>World Trade Organization (WTO) Safeguards Agreement</i>, if a developing country Member's share of imports does not exceed 3 per cent, and if developing country Members with less than 3 per cent import share collectively account for not more than 9 per cent of total imports.

Safeguard measures

Safeguard measures are temporary measures invoked to protect a domestic industry from serious injury caused by increased imports, and to give the industry time to adjust to import competition.

Section 19(1) of the Act outlines the points that the Minister must be satisfied with before imposing a safeguard measure. Section 18 of the Act outlines the measures that the Minister can take.

Provisional Safeguard Duty

The New Zealand aluminium industry has requested the consideration of a provisional safeguard duty. The Minister may order that a provisional safeguard duty be imposed on imported goods if the Minister is satisfied that there are reasonable grounds to believe that a delay in imposing a safeguard measure would cause damage that would be difficult to repair, and increased imports are causing serious injury or a threat of serious injury.

If the Minister imposes a provisional safeguard duty, that provisional safeguard duty is due and payable on the demand of the Customs on goods imported until the earliest of the date specified when the Minister imposed that provisional safeguard duty; or the date of the commencement of a safeguard measure; or 200 calendar days from the date the duty is due and payable; or the date the provisional safeguard duty is terminated.

Investigation timetable

Statutory Timeframe	Action
Provisional Safeguard Duty - Any time after the Minister initiates a safeguard investigation under section 8(1) of the Act	In line with section 14(1) of the Act, the Minister may order that a provisional safeguard duty be imposed on imported goods if the Minister is satisfied that there are reasonable grounds to believe that <i>“(a) a delay in imposing a safeguard measure would cause damage that would be difficult to repair; and (b) increased imports are causing serious injury or a threat of serious injury”.</i>
Final Determination - advice to the Minister deciding whether evidence supports actions under section 19 of the Act.	The Minister may impose a safeguard measure or do nothing under section 19 of the Act. Any action the Minister takes under section 19 will be notified.

Further Information

If you would like further information on the safeguard investigation, please see our website at <https://www.mbie.govt.nz/business-and-employment/business/trade-and-tariffs/trade-remedies/>

How to complete this questionnaire

Submission of information

Please complete all the sections of this questionnaire that are relevant to your business or your area of expertise. If your company imports aluminium extrusions, purchases imported aluminium extrusions from an intermediary and/or purchases from a New Zealand manufacturer, please complete all relevant sections of this questionnaire.

Please provide your response to this questionnaire, any supporting evidence, and a separate a version that has had confidential information removed and summarised. To support effective and timely consideration of your information, we request that responses are returned by **5pm 25 June 2026**. Your timely return of information supports MBIE's investigation and preparation of advice, against tight statutory deadlines. Please reach out to MBIE if you require any clarification or questions.

The applicant has sought a provisional safeguard duty. MBIE will provide advice to the Minister during the investigation to support their decision on whether to impose a provisional safeguard duty under section 14 of the Act.

Important instructions for preparing your response

- Please complete all questions that you can provide information on.
- Please provide answers in English. An English translation should be provided for documents not originally in English.
- Please clearly identify all units of measurement (e.g. kilograms), currencies used (e.g. NZD) and explain any industry codes or standards. To the extent practicable, please apply the same measurement consistently throughout your response to the questionnaire and appendices.
- Please show all amounts in the currency originally denominated. Where any currency conversions are made, please indicate the exchange rate used and its source.
- Where requested, use the attached appendices to provide your responses. Please name the worksheets with the corresponding appendix number and structure the data clearly with appropriate headings, formatting and consistency.
- If you have used formulas to complete spreadsheets, please retain these formulas in the spreadsheets provided.
- Please provide all relevant evidence to support your responses to this questionnaire. This may include copies of invoices, import and shipping documentation, purchase orders or contracts, and product specification documents.
- You can contact Trade Remedies at MBIE if you have any questions or concerns in relation to information requested in this questionnaire.

Confidential information

MBIE is required to ensure that all interested persons have reasonable opportunity to access all non-confidential information supporting the investigation. MBIE maintains a public file for this investigation, which contains non-confidential versions of evidence gathered and received under this investigation. Interested persons can request copies of any documents on the public file.

Section 11(4) of the Act outlines the meaning and treatment of confidential information.

To support the maintenance of the public file, MBIE requests submitters to provide MBIE a summary of confidential information (for access by all interested parties) or reasons why a summary cannot be provided. Section 11(4) of the Act provides the test that MBIE must apply in assessing whether confirmation is confidential.

A non-confidential version should reproduce the original but omit or summarise any information you consider to be confidential.

Example: Redaction of Confidential Information

Where confidential text is redacted, we ask that you provide a satisfactory non-confidential summary of the information, or reasons why a summary cannot be provided.

As an example, if a party was to indicate:

“We import [300 metric] tonnes monthly from [Our-Suppliers-Name-Ltd].”

Then a satisfactory non-confidential summary could be:

“We import XXXXXXXXXXXX [volume] monthly from XXXXXXXXXXXX [supplier name]”

Please note under section 11(3) of the Act, MBIE may disregard any information where it is not satisfied of non-confidential summaries (or satisfactory statement of why such a summary cannot be given).

QUESTIONNAIRE

Please note that throughout this questionnaire references to aluminium extrusions are references to the subject goods defined on page 2.

To help us distinguish your answers from our questions, we would appreciate you highlighting or providing your answers in a colour other than black, e.g. red.

SECTION 1. General information (All)

1. Please nominate a contact person in your company, or a representative, for the purposes of this investigation. We may approach you for further information to support your position throughout the investigation:

Name:

Position in the company:

Telephone:

Email address:

Note that in nominating a representative, you are granting authority to MBIE to discuss matters relating to the investigation with the nominated representative, including your company's confidential information.

2. Please provide the following details relating to your company:
 - i. Business name
 - ii. Postal address
 - iii. Head office address
 - iv. Company website
3. Does your company import aluminium extrusion, or purchase from a New Zealand manufacturer or manufacturer?
4. Is your company part of a group (e.g. parent company with subsidiaries, common ownership, joint ventures)? If so, please provide a diagram showing the complete ownership structure, and a list of all related companies and their functions.
5. Please indicate any entities listed in the responses to question 4 that your company makes sales to, or purchases from. This information helps us determine whether transactions of aluminium extrusions have been made on a commercial basis.
6. What is the overall nature of your company's business? Please provide details of your level of trade, the products that your company imports or procures domestically for sale, products your company makes and markets your company sells to. Please provide details of any products you manufacture using the imported goods, and the markets your company sells to.
7. Please provide any brochures, pamphlets or booklets advertising your company's business in relation to its aluminium extrusion products.
8. Please provide the names and contact details of businesses that you purchase aluminium extrusions from, both overseas and in New Zealand. Please can you describe the import and/or domestic procurement strategy adopted by your company.

SECTION 2. Provisional safeguard duty assessment (All)

These questions are specific to our assessment under section 14(1)(a) of the Act. Our advice on whether the Minister should impose provisional safeguard duties will not be limited by answers in this section – though the questions specifically target that assessment. In preparing advice against other parts of section 14 of the Act, we will consider responses to other questions in this questionnaire.

Please answer all possible questions and provide any available evidence to support the investigation.

9. Are you aware of any significant upcoming changes in import patterns – such as significant orders that have not yet arrived in New Zealand?
10. Are you aware of any significant upcoming commercial decisions among purchasers of aluminium extrusions, such as purchasing contracts?
11. Are you aware of any significant upcoming commercial decisions within the New Zealand industry that may be difficult or expensive to reverse?
12. Are you aware of any other imminent trade concerns that might further threaten the industry? These could include things like a significant risk of imminent trade diversion, possibly from a government, or commercial decision.
13. Are you aware of any other factors that may be driving poorer economic performance among the domestic industry, and any imminent change to those factors?
14. Are you aware of any other mechanisms by which the imported products are causing injury to the domestic industry. This can be impacts such as demand for goods produced by the domestic industry, competition, or pricing strategies.
15. Do you consider that the alleged injury to the domestic industry is of an immediate or irreversible nature?

SECTION 3a. Product details - Imported aluminium extrusions

Please complete this section if your company imported aluminium extrusions over the period of investigation or purchased imported aluminium extrusion from a third party.

16. Please provide a full description of the types of aluminium extrusions that your company imported in the period **1 January 2022 to 31 December 2025**.
17. Using the table below, please provide details on the characteristics of the imported goods. Please provide all information that applies for the range of products your company imports.

Physical characteristic	Detailed feature	Parameter
a. Product Identification	Production Type –	☐ Hollow
	Extruded	☐ Solid
		☐ Complex
		☐ Other: _____
	Wall Thickness / Section Thickness	☐ < 2.0 mm (Light) ☐ > 2.0 mm < 4.0 mm (Medium) ☐ > 4.0 mm (Heavy / Structural)

b. Shape Classification	Shape Type	☐ Hollow / Box / RHS / SHS / Square tube / Rectangular / Pipe / Tube (HOL) ☐ Channel / U channel / C channel / Rail / Guide rail (CHN) ☐ Track / Multi track / LED housing / Circuit / Blind rail (CPL) ☐ Trim / Slat / Molding / Nosing / Cladding / Decorative (DEC) ☐ Flat bar / Solid bar / Angle / Plate / Beam (SOL)
	Additional Shape Details	_____
c. Applicable Standards	AS/NZS Standard Code(s) – Primary Product	_____
	AS/NZS Standard Code(s) – Post Manufacture Fabrication	_____
d. Surface Finish	Finish Type	☐ Mill ☐ Mechanical ☐ Anodised ☐ Painted or Coated ☐ Other: _____
e. Alloy Details	Alloy Series	☐ 1xxx ☐ 2xxx ☐ 3xxx ☐ 5xxx ☐ 6xxx ☐ 7xxx
	Specific Alloy Code(s)	_____
	Proprietary / Equivalent Alloy	_____
	Temper Code(s)	_____

f.	Anodising Thickness	Thickness	☐ Not Anodised ☐ $\leq 20 \mu\text{m}$ ☐ $> 20 \mu\text{m}$
g.	Post-Manufacture Fabrication	Description	

18. Please provide any further comments you may have on any of the information provided in the specifications above.

19. MBIE must assess whether the goods manufactured in New Zealand are “like” the goods imported. Please outline any similarities and differences of the goods that the New Zealand industry produces compared to the goods that you import goods.

Possible considerations include:

- Physical characteristics, including details of size and dimensions and details of the production methods and technologies utilised to create the product.
- Function and usage of products, including details of any known consumer perceptions and expectations, and end usages.
- Pricing structures for the products, including details of the level of trade at which the product is priced, costs that are built into its pricing structure, and how price is set.
- Marketing and distribution channels used, customers (both actual and targeted), branding and advertising.

20. What is the end use of the aluminium extrusions that your company imports? To what extent are they substitutes for the products produced by the domestic industry?

SECTION 3b. Imports by your company

Please complete this section if your company imported aluminium extrusions over the period of investigation or purchased imported aluminium extrusion from a third party.

21. Please provide the following information in respect of all aluminium extrusions imported by your company from **1 January 2022 to 31 December 2025**. Please feel free to add extra lines to the table below if, for example, you import multiple products from one exporter.

Country of origin	Exporter	Product description	Total import volume (annual)			
			2022	2023	2024	2025

22. Please provide details of all import transactions of your company's imports of aluminium extrusions for the period of **1 January 2022 to 31 December 2025** in the format set out in **Appendix 1**.
23. Does your company have any relationship other than that of a customer with any of the suppliers you have listed at para **21**? If so, please provide details of that relationship, including its effect on sales and pricing between the two entities.
24. Please provide sample documentation (covering a period of 3-6 months each year) for transactions reported in **Appendix 1**. This includes invoices, purchase agreements, export/import documentation, product specifications, or test certificates.
25. Please explain the terms of trade offered to your company by its suppliers. This should cover:
- i. ordering and invoicing;
 - ii. lead times;
 - iii. terms of any supply agreements or contracts;
 - iv. explanation of how prices are negotiated;
 - v. the basis of your company's purchase price (e.g. FOB, CIF);
 - vi. currency of purchase;
 - vii. payment terms;
 - viii. details of any discounts; and
 - ix. any other special terms and conditions your company receives e.g. sales promotion, advertising rebates.
26. Are the prices paid to your company's supplier(s) for aluminium extrusion products:
- i. subject to any direct or indirect reimbursement; or
 - ii. influenced by a commercial agreement or relationship; or
 - iii. inclusive of any consideration other than price? Please explain.
27. Over this period, **1 January 2022 to 31 December 2025**, please explain the following:
- i. Any changes in the volume of products imported by your company. What caused the changes? What were the contributing factors?
 - ii. Changes in sourcing patterns. What were the reasons for changing suppliers? Did the frequency of imports change and why?
28. Other than the pricing arrangement, please explain what informs your decision to import aluminium extrusions from the sources you have indicated above, rather than purchasing from New Zealand manufacturers. Consider factors such as quality, distance to market, market conditions, domestic supply and demand, etc.
29. Has your company re-exported any of the aluminium extrusions it has imported? If so, please provide details of the quantity, value and destination of these exports, and copies of invoices for the export sales.
30. Please provide details of any forward exchange rate contracts that were entered into for the importation of aluminium extrusions beyond **31 December 2025 - Appendix 3**. List the product type, volume and value, quantity ordered, price paid or payable, and anticipated delivery dates.
31. Please also outline any further contractual arrangements you have with your supplier(s) for future purchases of aluminium extrusions.

SECTION 4a. Product details - Domestic industry aluminium extrusions

Please complete this section if your company purchased aluminium extrusions produced by the domestic industry over the period of investigation.

32. Please provide a full description of the types of aluminium extrusions that your company purchased from distributors or producers in New Zealand in the period **1 January 2022 to 31 December 2025**.
33. Using the table below provide details on the characteristic of aluminium extrusions your company purchased from New Zealand suppliers between **1 January 2022 and 31 December 2025**. Tick all characteristics that apply for the range of products your company procured.

Physical characteristics	Detailed feature	Parameter
a. Product Identification	Production Type –	☐ Hollow
	Extruded	☐ Solid ☐ Complex ☐ Other: _____
	Wall Thickness / Section Thickness	☐ < 2.0 mm (Light) ☐ > 2.0 mm < 4.0 mm (Medium) ☐ > 4.0 mm (Heavy / Structural)
b. Shape Classification	Shape Type	☐ Hollow / Box / RHS / SHS / Square tube / Rectangular / Pipe / Tube (HOL)
		☐ Channel / U channel / C channel / Rail / Guide rail (CHN)
		☐ Track / Multi track / LED housing / Circuit / Blind rail (CPL)
		☐ Trim / Slat / Molding / Nosing / Cladding / Decorative (DEC)
		☐ Flat bar / Solid bar / Angle / Plate / Beam (SOL)
	Additional Shape Details	_____
c. Applicable Standards	AS/NZS Standard Code(s) – Primary Product	_____
	AS/NZS Standard Code(s) – Post Manufacture Fabrication	_____

d. Surface Finish	Finish Type	☐ Mill ☐ Mechanical ☐ Anodised ☐ Painted or Coated ☐ Other: _____
e. Alloy Details	Alloy Series	☐ 1xxx ☐ 2xxx ☐ 3xxx ☐ 5xxx ☐ 6xxx ☐ 7xxx
	Specific Alloy Code(s)	_____
	Proprietary / Equivalent Alloy	_____
	Temper Code(s)	_____
f. Anodising Thickness	Thickness	☐ Not Anodised ☐ < 20 µm ☐ > 20 µm
g. Post-Manufacture Fabrication	Description	_____ _____ _____

34. Please add any further comments you may have on any of the information provided in the table above.

35. MBIE must assess whether the goods manufactured in New Zealand are “like” the goods imported. Please outline any similarities and differences of the goods that the New Zealand industry produces compared to the goods that you import goods.

Possible considerations include:

- Physical characteristics, including details of size and dimensions and details of the production methods and technologies utilised to create the product.
- Function and usage of products, including details of any known consumer perceptions and expectations, and end usages.
- Pricing structures for the product including details of the level of trade at which the product is priced, costs that are built into its pricing structure and how price is set.
- Marketing and distribution channels used, customers (both actual and targeted), branding and advertising.

36. What is the end use of the products your company procures from domestic distributors or manufacturers?

SECTION 4b. Domestic industry purchases

Please complete this section if your company purchased aluminium extrusions produced by the domestic industry over the period of investigation.

37. Provide information on the total volume of aluminium extrusions purchased from the domestic industry between **1 January 2022 and 31 December 2025**. Please feel free to add extra lines to the table below if, for example, you purchased multiple products.

Country of origin	Domestic Supplier	Product description	Total volume purchased (annual)			
			2022	2023	2024	2025

38. Please provide details of all your company's purchases of aluminium extrusions from the domestic industry for the period starting **1 January 2022 to 31 December 2025** in the format set out in **Appendix 1b**.
39. Does your company have any relationship, other than that of a customer, with any of the suppliers you have listed at paragraph **37**? If so, please provide details of that relationship, including its effect on sales and pricing between the two entities.
40. Please provide sample documentation (covering a period of 3-6 months each year) for transactions reported in **Appendix 1b**. This includes invoices, purchase agreements, export/import documentation, product specifications, or test certificates.
41. Please explain what informs your decision to procure aluminium extrusions from the sources you have indicated - consider price, quality, distance to market, market conditions, domestic supply and demand, etc.
42. Please explain the terms of trade offered to your company by its domestic suppliers from the domestic industry. This should cover:
- ordering and invoicing;
 - lead times;
 - terms of any supply agreements or contracts;
 - explanation of how prices are negotiated;
 - the basis of your company's purchase price (e.g. FOB, CIF);
 - currency of purchase;
 - payment terms;
 - details of any discounts; and
 - any other special terms and conditions your company receives e.g. sales promotion, advertising rebates.
43. Are the prices of aluminium extrusions paid to your company's domestic suppliers:

- i. subject to any direct or indirect reimbursement; or
 - ii. influenced by a commercial agreement or relationship; or
 - iii. inclusive of any consideration other than price? Please explain.
44. Over this period, **1 January 2022 to 31 December 2025**, please explain the following
- i. Any changes in the volume of products procured by your company from domestic distributors or manufacturers. What were the contributing factors?
 - ii. Changes in sourcing patterns. What were the reasons for changing suppliers? Did the frequency of domestic purchases change and why?

SECTION 5. The New Zealand market

45. Please provide your company's perspective as an importer on the New Zealand market for aluminium extrusions, including comments on:
- i. the overall composition of the market;
 - ii. any segmentation of the market (e.g. by type or category);
 - iii. the key market participants and their estimated market shares;
 - iv. the main factors affecting market conditions;
 - v. any recent developments or changes in the market;
 - vi. the principal drivers of demand for aluminium extrusions in New Zealand; and
 - vii. your company's views on expected future trends in the market.
46. Please give a full description of your company's marketing, selling and distribution structure for aluminium extrusions within New Zealand.
47. Please state the level of trade (e.g. wholesale, retailer, user) to which your company's sales of aluminium extrusions are made, noting the percentage of total sales made at that level of trade. Please state on what basis your company distinguishes between the different levels of trade (e.g. quantity, price)?
48. Please provide the names and addresses of your company's major New Zealand aluminium extrusions customers under each level of trade and list all sales of aluminium extrusions to these customers for the period **1 January 2022 to 31 December 2025**, indicating the percentage of total aluminium extrusions sales each customer accounts for.
49. Please provide copies of your company's current price list and all other applicable price lists for the period **1 January 2022 to 31 December 2025** for aluminium extrusions, giving brief reasons for any changes in prices. Please provide information on net selling prices if they vary from list prices and explain why.
50. Please comment on the extent to which seasonal factors or business cycles influence the demand for aluminium extrusions in New Zealand and the months when those factors have an impact.

51. Section 18 of the Act states that a safeguard measure can, in short, be imposed in the form of a safeguard duty; a duty or a variation of the rate of duty under the Tariff rate Act 1988 or a restriction on importing the goods such as a Tariff Rate Quota¹.

Please comment on your company's view of the likely effect on the New Zealand market of the imposition of a safeguard measure on aluminium extrusions, including:

- i. the quantities of your company's imports; and
- ii. the effect on prices in the New Zealand market.

SECTION 6a. Serious injury

MBIE is required to consider whether imported aluminium extrusions have caused serious injury to the New Zealand industry. In its investigation, MBIE must consider the impact of the increased imports on the domestic industry, including actual and potential decline in output, sales, market share, profits, productivity, employment and utilisation of production capacity.

In considering the price effects of imported goods on the domestic market, we compare prices at the same level of trade, usually being the first point of competition on the New Zealand market.

52. Please describe the overhead costs your company incurred in selling imported aluminium extrusions. These include costs incurred in the process of getting the imported goods from the port to your store such as port handling and terminal fees, customs clearance, storage and transport costs.
53. Please provide a detailed cost build-up for each type of aluminium extrusions, imported during the period of **1 January 2022 to 31 December 2025**. Please itemise costs separately and use the format provided in **appendix 2** to show the cost build-up from the point of importation until the goods are into your store.
54. Please provide sample documentation such as sales invoices, purchase agreements, delivery contacts or invoices for into-store-costs, to support the information provided in **appendix 2**.

MBIE must also assess factors which may be causing serious injury, or threatening to cause serious injury, to the New Zealand industry. These factors are addressed in the questions below. Provide an explanation and evidence in support of your response.

55. To the best of your knowledge, please provide any commentary on demand patterns for aluminium extrusions in New Zealand, and competition between, overseas supplier(s) and the New Zealand aluminium extrusions producers.
56. Please comment on any other factors that your company considers may have affected the profitability and output of the New Zealand industry, such as changes in the regulatory environment, increases in input or distribution costs, technological shifts, changes in export performance or changes in end-user preferences.
57. Are you aware of any other factors that may be affecting the New Zealand industry and the market for aluminium extrusions?

¹ A **tariff rate quota** allows a specified quantity of a good to be imported at a **lower (or zero) tariff rate**, while imports **above that quantity are subject to a higher tariff rate**.

58. To the best of your knowledge, has your company's supplier of aluminium extrusions indicated any plans or intentions for future exports to New Zealand? If so, what are these plans and intentions?
59. What are your company's plans and intentions regarding future imports? Please include comments on:
- i. perceived growth in imports and market share;
 - ii. estimated import volume figures over the next 12 months;
 - iii. the ability of your company, both financially and of its distribution system, to cope with a change in imports of aluminium extrusions.
60. Please explain how pricing influences demand for different brands of aluminium extrusions in New Zealand and identify any significant price thresholds that affect customer purchasing behaviour.
61. Please comment on the likelihood of substantially increased imports, including:
- i. Exporters' freely disposable capacity, or imminent substantial increase in capacity.
 - ii. Importers' ability to easily source and distribute substantially increased volumes of imports.
62. Please provide your company's monthly inventory levels (please specify unit of measurement) of aluminium extrusions for the period of **1 January 2022 to 31 December 2025**. Please specify whether inventory levels over the next 12 months are expected to be similar, if not please explain the reasons for the difference.
63. What percentage of your company's annual sales does its current level of inventory represent?

SECTION 7. Public interest test

64. Please comment on what you consider would happen in the New Zealand market for aluminium extrusions, and goods produced from it, if following this investigation, the Minister imposed a duty or a restrictive trade measure. What would be the effects on downstream industries and consumers if the safeguard measures are applied.
65. How would a duty or a restrictive trade measure on aluminium extrusions affect you? Please quantify this effect, if possible.
66. If you are a distributor or reseller or installer, to what extent would you absorb the safeguard measure or pass it on?
67. Do you consider that a duty or a restrictive trade measure would **increase or lower** the quality of goods available by restricting the importation of goods of a lower or higher quality than those produced domestically?
68. To the best of your knowledge, how sensitive to price are customers of aluminium extrusions? Is there any difference in price sensitivity between those buying imported, or domestically produced goods?
69. Do you believe your customers would switch to products offered by close competitors if a safeguard measure were introduced? If so, what overall effect would this have on the market?
70. Please comment on the extent to which any duties would affect competition in the New Zealand market.

71. Are there any complementary goods that you are aware of whose market might be affected by aluminium extrusions increasing in price?

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