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## Changes to Section 232 Steel & Aluminum Safeguard Tariff

Dear Valued Customer,

On Sunday, May 19, 2019, the White House issued Press Releases regarding discussions between Canada and the U.S. and Mexico and the U.S. to determine alternative methods of handling the national security impairment caused by aluminum imports. The agreement includes prevention of importation that is unfairly subsidized or sold at dumped prices, to prevent transshipment, and to monitor for and avoid import surges. In reviewing the agreement with Canada and Mexico, the U.S. also reviewed whether adjustments were warranted for other countries and determined that the current tariff level would continue for all other countries.

Effective 12:01 am Monday, May 20, 2019, Section 232 Safeguard Tariffs will apply to aluminum imports from all countries except Argentina, Australia, Canada, and Mexico. Any imports entered into a U.S. foreign trade zone from Canada and Mexico under "privileged foreign status" prior to May 20, 2019, upon removal for consumption on or after May 20, 2019, will not be subject to the additional duties.

Effective at 12:01 am Monday, May 20, 2019, Section 232 Safeguard Tariffs will apply to steel imports from all countries except Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, Mexico, South Korea and Turkey. Any imports entered into a U.S. foreign trade zone from Canada and Mexico under "privileged foreign status" prior to May 20, 2019, upon removal for consumption on or after May 20, 2019, will not be subject to the additional duties.

In addition to the modifications for Canada and Mexico, it has been determined that steel imports from Turkey will be eligible for a 50% reduction of the safeguard duty effective 12:01 am Tuesday, May 21, 2019; dropping from 50% additional duty to 25% additional duty. All other countries, other than Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, Mexico, and South Korea, remain at 25% additional duty rate.

The White House Press Releases can be found [here](#).

Thank you for being our Valued Customer. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your C.H. Robinson representative.

Sincerely,  
C.H. Robinson

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