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To,

All Members of Plexconcil

Dear Madam/Sir

Subject : Members inputs on India-UK FTA: Stakeholder Consultations

As members are aware that India is negotiating with UK for a FTA and fourth round of negotiations have just been concluded last week. Further, Fifth Round of FTA Negotiations with UK is starting from 18th July 2022.

In this process, DoC has compiled the inputs received from various departments and Industry Associations, EPCs, Trade Bodies etc for preparing India's first Goods (market access) offer which was exchanged by both side on 10th June 2022. UK has given market access on approx 90% Trade lines (HS 8 digits). Both sides also exchanged request list during fourth round of negotiations. While India has asked for duty free market access on 100 % Trade Lines (HS8digits) from UK, the UK side has also presented their request list covering items across various sectors.

In order to secure market access for our exporters on majority of Trade Lines of our interest in UK market we need to firm up our negotiating position on the request list of UK. In this regard it is requested to **furnish your inputs in the excel sheet** (please

download from ...) wherein HS code wise, Trade data and the market access offered on those lines during our previous FTAs have clearly been reflected.

It is requested to kindly take a holistic view in the light of the possible gains across sectors of importance to India on gaining market access in UK and also the sensitivities associated with these commodities in the domestic market.

A considered response may be provided at <u>office@plexconcil.org</u> latest by 05th July 2022 (1pm) for onward submission to the department.

Best regards

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