

Summary of the Written Application from the Domestic Industry

On August 7, 2026, the Minister of Finance received an application to impose the anti-dumping duty on pigments and preparations based on rutile titanium dioxide* (hereinafter referred to as “the subject product”) originating in the People’s Republic of China (excluding the regions of Hong Kong and Macao; hereinafter referred to as “China”) from Japan Titanium Dioxide Industry Association* (hereinafter referred to as “the applicant”). The outline of the written application is as follows.

*Note: The production of the member companies of the applicant accounts for 99.9% of the total domestic production.

1. Dumped imports

A comparison between the export price from China to Japan and the normal value** shows that the export price is below the normal value, and that the subject product has been imported into Japan at dumped prices. The dumping margin*** of the subject product ranges from 50% to 60%.

**Note: Article 8.1, the Customs Tariff Law

***Note: Dumping margin (%) = ((Normal Value - Export Price)/Export Price) ×100

2. Material injury to the domestic industry

a. Imports of the subject product originating in China increased significantly, more than doubling between fiscal year 2023 and fiscal year 2025, and the share of imports in domestic demand also increased.

b. Since fiscal year 2023, the domestic sales prices of the subject product originating in China have been significantly lower than those of the like product produced by the domestic industry. As a result, the domestic industry was forced either to lower its prices in response to competition from the Chinese products or to refrain from raising prices to reflect rising production costs.

c. Due to a. and b. above, the domestic industry suffered material injury, with the operating profit margin remaining at a low level.

3. Therefore, the applicant requests the imposition of the anti-dumping duty on the subject product originating in China.