

European Aluminium applauds definitive anti-dumping duties on Chinese extrusions

Brussels, 31 March 2021 – Yesterday, the European Commission published a [regulation imposing definitive anti-dumping duties on aluminium extrusions originating in China](#). The anti-dumping duties imposed range from 21.2% to 32.1% and will be in place for the next five years. The duties result from an investigation opened in February 2020, following a complaint lodged by European Aluminium. European Aluminium applauds the Commission’s strong action against China’s unfair trade practices.

“Our producers are relieved that the European Commission is taking decisive action to prevent further damage. They can now start recovering from the injury caused by Chinese dumping and focus on strengthening their position in strategic markets with low carbon applications,” commented Gerd Götz, European Aluminium’s Director General.

Dumped imports have led to a decrease in production and a loss of market share for European producers across the entire value chain, which forced several companies to restructure or close plants with significant job losses as a result.

“We call on the Commission to work with its counterparts in the US and Canada to address the root cause of China’s market-distortive behaviour: overcapacity. Anti-dumping duties offer protection against dumping in the short term but we need a structural and global solution to address subsidised Chinese overcapacity in the long term,” concluded Götz.

Certain aluminium flat rolled products originating in China are also subject to an EU anti-dumping investigation. Earlier this month, the EU announced its intention to [impose provisional anti-dumping duties](#) ranging from 19,6 to 47,3%.

Note to editors:

The products subject to the anti-dumping duties are aluminium bars, rods, profiles (whether or not hollow), tubes, pipes; unassembled; whether or not prepared for use in structures (e.g., cut-to-length, drilled, bent, chamfered, threaded); made from aluminium, whether or not alloyed, containing not more than 99.3 % of aluminium.

The products concerned are commonly referred to as 'extrusions,' referring to their most common manufacturing process even if the product concerned can also be produced by other production processes such as rolling, forging or casting.

About European Aluminium:

European Aluminium, founded in 1981 and based in Brussels, is the voice of the aluminium industry in Europe. We actively engage with decision makers and the wider stakeholder community to promote the outstanding properties of aluminium, secure growth and optimise the contribution our metal can make to meeting Europe's sustainability challenges. Through environmental and technical expertise, economic and statistical analysis, scientific research, education and sharing of best practices, public affairs and communication activities, European Aluminium promotes the use of aluminium as a material with permanent properties that is part of the solution to achieving sustainable goals, while maintaining and improving the image of the industry, of the material and of its applications among their stakeholders. Our 80+ members include primary aluminium producers; downstream manufacturers of extruded, rolled and cast aluminium; producers of recycled aluminium and national aluminium associations are representing more than 600 plants in 30 European countries. Aluminium products are used in a wide range of markets, including automotive, transport, high-tech engineering, building, construction and packaging.

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