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Answer given by Mr Šefčovič
on behalf of the European Commission
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The Commission does not intend to propose the prolongation of the current Autonomous Trade Measures Regulation¹ providing duty free and quota free imports for Ukraine.

Instead, the Commission is pursuing consultations with Ukraine to review the reciprocal tariff liberalisation under the EU-Ukraine Association Agreement² in accordance with Article 29 of that Agreement. This review will lead to a well-balanced solution that will allow for reciprocal trade between the EU and Ukraine in agricultural goods, while at the same time protecting EU farmers and addressing interests flagged by some Member States and Members of the European Parliament. Furthermore, the Commission is proposing that the negotiated solution would also include a safeguard clause that would be triggered to prevent any adverse impacts of trade flows on the EU market, including one Member State.

As mandated by Article 4(2) of the Autonomous Trade Measures Regulation, the Commission monitors on a regular basis the impact of the Autonomous Trade Measures adopted by the European Parliament and the Council. The monitoring report is shared with the European Parliament and with the Member States. So far, this monitoring has not shown any adverse effect on the EU market or the market of one or several Member States.

The Commission is regularly consulting Member States on this issue. The views of the Member States, as well as the European Parliament and relevant stakeholders, feed into the Commission's decision-making process. The Commission is not in a position to share the specific feedback received from Member States since it is not the author of such documents.

¹ OJ L, 2024/1392, 29.5.2024, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2024/1392/oj>.

² http://data.europa.eu/eli/agree_internation/2014/295/oj.