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The Commission is aware of the difficulties faced by Italian pasta producers. In coordination with Italy and the producers concerned, on 6 October 2025 the Commission filed comments with the Department of Commerce in the framework of the investigation to recall the World Trade Organisation (WTO) criteria for correctly determining dumping margins for companies under investigation. In addition, the Commission's concerns were raised with the United States (U.S.) at the WTO Committee on Anti-Dumping Practices meeting held in Geneva on 28 and 29 October 2025, as well as through bilateral contacts at both technical and political level.

Both the EU and the U.S. are taking steps to implement the commitments outlined in the 21 August 2025 Joint Statement.¹ On the EU side, the Commission adopted on 28 August 2025 two legislative proposals, COM(2025)471² and COM(2025)472³, to reduce EU tariffs, which are now under consideration by the co-legislators, the Council and the European Parliament. In addition to this, the Commission continues to engage with the U.S. both at political and technical level, aiming for concrete and balanced outcomes. To this end, the Commission is proposing and discussing concrete steps to take this work forward. This will allow targeted and constructive discussions in line with the scope and objectives of the Joint Statement.

The Commission is closely following the situation and supports the competitiveness of the EU agri-food sector. The Commission will continue to defend EU producers and ensure that EU agri-food exports can compete fairly in global markets.

¹ https://policy.trade.ec.europa.eu/news/joint-statement-united-states-european-union-framework-agreement-reciprocal-fair-and-balanced-trade-2025-08-21_en.

² [https://ec.europa.eu/transparency/documents-register/detail?ref=COM\(2025\)471&lang=en](https://ec.europa.eu/transparency/documents-register/detail?ref=COM(2025)471&lang=en).

³ [https://ec.europa.eu/transparency/documents-register/detail?ref=COM\(2025\)472&lang=en](https://ec.europa.eu/transparency/documents-register/detail?ref=COM(2025)472&lang=en).