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Indeed, in November 2025, safeguard measures were imposed on four ferro alloys. However, silicon and calcium silicon are not covered by those measures, as the criteria to include them were not met at the time, in particular, there was no increase of imports for silicon and calcium silicon was not produced in the EU.

The safeguard instrument does not provide for changing the scope of measures, which are already in force.

Nevertheless, market conditions can change rapidly in the current volatile trading environment. The Commission is ready to engage with industry to explore all possible options available under the trade defence instruments. These instruments can be applied in cases where an increase of imports causes injury to EU producers. For the anti-dumping or anti-subsidy instrument, dumping and subsidisation also need to be demonstrated.

As regards monitoring, the Commission has put in place the import surveillance tool in May 2025. This tool monitors any changes in import patterns in terms of volumes and prices. However, information on injury to EU producers, which includes data such as developments of production, sales, market share, profit/losses is not available to the Commission and can only be provided by the industry concerned.