Dear Sir,

                   With reference to WTO Notifications No. G/SG/N/6/AUS/3 on 28 June 2013, and No. G/SG/N/6/AUS/4 on 3 July 2013, concerning the initiation of a safeguard investigation on Australian imports Processed Tomato & Certain Processed Fruit Products.

In this regard, we noted based the data and information were submitted from your department on 16 July 2013 by e-mail that the Egyptian imports of Processed Tomato & Certain Processed Fruit Products account for less than 3 percent of total imports into Australia during POI 2011/2012.

Please note that According to article 9.1 of the Agreement on Safeguards that  Safeguard measures shall not be applied against a product originating in a the developing country Members with less than 3 percent import share collectively account for not more than 9 per cent of total imports of the product concerned, Consequently, the Egyptian imports of Processed Tomato & Certain Processed Fruit Products should be excluded from any safeguard measure that may be imposed on such imports and Egypt asking kindly for excluding itself from the current investigations of the above-captioned subject.

                   Kindly find hereto attached official signed letter

                   The Egyptian Ministry of Industry & Foreign Trade, Trade Agreement Sector avails itself of this opportunity to renew the assurances of its highest consideration.

                **Best regards,**

*Undersecretary of state*

*Head of Anti-dumping, Subsidy*

*& Safeguard Department*

**" Ibrahim El Seginy "**