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## EXECUTIVE ORDER

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DESIGNATION OF BENEFICIARY DEVELOPING COUNTRIES  
FOR THE GENERALIZED SYSTEM OF PREFERENCES UNDER  
THE TRADE ACT OF 1974

Title V of the Trade Act of 1974, hereinafter referred to as the Act (Public Law 93-618, 88 Stat. 1978), provides for a Generalized System of Preferences by which eligible articles from a beneficiary developing country may be provided duty-free treatment.

The Act authorizes the President to designate a country as a beneficiary developing country if such country meets the qualifications of the Act. Prior thereto, the President is to notify the House of Representatives and the Senate of his intention to make such designations and of the considerations entering into such decisions. I have so notified the House of Representatives and the Senate with respect to the countries listed in this Executive order.

In order to implement the Generalized System of Preferences, the Trade Act requires (1) designation of beneficiary developing countries, (2) publication and transmission to the International Trade Commission of the lists of articles which will be considered for designation as eligible articles for purposes of generalized preferences, and (3) submission by the International Trade Commission of its advice to the President within six months as to the probable economic effect on domestic producers and consumers of implementing generalized preferences for those listed articles.

Concurrently with publication of those listed articles and transmission thereof to the International Trade Commission for its advice as required by the Act, I also intend to ask the Commission to provide its advice, pursuant to Section 332(g) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U.S.C. 1332), with respect to articles of those countries designated and those which are still under consideration for designation as beneficiary developing countries.

The President is authorized to modify at any time the list of beneficiary developing countries designated herein, and for that purpose there shall be a continuing review of the eligibility of countries to be so designated under the provisions of the Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Trade Act of 1974, and as President of the United States of America, it is hereby ordered as follows:

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Section 1. The following named countries are designated as beneficiary developing countries for purposes of the Generalized System of Preferences authorized by Title V of the Act:

(a) Those Responsible for Their Own External Relations.

Afghanistan  
Argentina  
Bahamas  
Bahrain  
Bangladesh  
Barbados  
Bhutan  
Bolivia  
Botswana  
Brazil  
Burma  
Burundi  
Cameroon  
Central African Republic  
Chad  
Chile  
Colombia  
Congo (Brazzaville)  
Costa Rica  
Dahomey  
Dominican Republic  
Egypt  
El Salvador  
Equatorial Guinea  
Ethiopia  
Fiji  
Gambia  
Ghana  
Grenada  
Guatemala  
Guinea  
Guinea Bissau  
Guyana  
Haiti  
Honduras  
India  
Ivory Coast  
Jamaica  
Jordan  
Kenya  
Khmer Republic  
Korea, Republic of  
Laos  
Lebanon  
Lesotho  
Liberia  
Malagasy Republic  
Malawi  
Malaysia  
Maldiv Islands  
Mali  
Malta  
Mauritania  
Mauritius

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Mexico  
 Morocco  
 Nauru  
 Nepal  
 Nicaragua  
 Niger  
 Oman  
 Pakistan  
 Panama  
 Paraguay  
 Peru  
 Philippines  
 Rwanda  
 Senegal  
 Sierra Leone  
 Singapore  
 Sri Lanka  
 Sudan  
 Swaziland  
 Syria  
 Taiwan  
 Tanzania  
 Thailand  
 Togo  
 Tonga  
 Trinidad and Tobago  
 Tunisia  
 Upper Volta  
 Uruguay  
 Vietnam (South)  
 Western Samoa  
 Yemen Arab Republic  
 Yugoslavia  
 Zaire  
 Zambia

(b) Those for Whom Another Country is Responsible  
for Their External Relations.

Afars and Issas, French Territory of the  
 Angola  
 Anguilla  
 Antigua  
 Belize  
 Bermuda  
 British Indian Ocean Territory  
 British Solomon Islands  
 Brunei  
 Cape Verde  
 Cayman Islands  
 Comoro Islands  
 Cook Islands  
 Dominica  
 Falkland Islands (Malvinas) and Dependencies  
 French Polynesia  
 Gibraltar  
 Gilbert and Ellice Islands  
 Heard Island and McDonald Islands  
 Macao  
 Montserrat  
 Mozambique  
 Netherlands Antilles  
 New Caledonia

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New Hebrides Condominium  
 Niue  
 Norfolk Island  
 Papua New Guinea  
 Pitcairn Island  
 Portuguese Timor  
 Saint Christopher-Nevis-Anguilla  
 Saint Helena  
 Saint Lucia  
 Saint Vincent  
 Sao Tome and Principe  
 Seychelles  
 Spanish Sahara  
 Surinam  
 Tokelau Islands  
 Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands  
 Turks and Caicos Islands  
 Virgin Islands, British  
 Wallis and Futuna Islands

Sec. 2. The following named countries are identified as under consideration for designation as beneficiary developing countries in accordance with the criteria set forth in Title V of the Act

Algeria	Nigeria
Cyprus	Yemen, Peoples' Democratic Republic of
Ecuador	Portugal
Cabon	Romania
Greece	Qatar
Hong Kong	Saudi Arabia
Indonesia	Somalia
Iran	Spain
Iraq	Turkey
Israel	Uganda
Kuwait	United Arab Emirates
Libya	Venezuela

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