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EXECUTIVE ORDER

IMPLEMENTING THE GENERALIZED SYSTEM OF PREFERENCES

The Trade Act of 1974 authorizes the establishment of a Generalized System of Preferences for eligible articles imported from beneficiary developing countries.

The President has designated and may, by Executive order, designate certain countries as beneficiary developing countries, after having determined that such designations are in accordance with the provisions of the Trade Act of 1974 and after having provided the necessary information to the Congress, pursuant to Section 502 of the Trade Act of 1974. The necessary determinations have been made and the appropriate information has been furnished the Congress.

The President may, by Executive order, designate articles eligible for duty-free treatment after receiving advice from appropriate agencies, public comment, and the advice of the International Trade Commission. That advice has been received, as requested, by reference to item numbers, and statistical divisions thereof, contained in the Tariff Schedules of the United States, hereinafter sometimes referred to as TSUS.

Since not every article within the group represented by an item number of the Tariff Schedules of the United States is eligible for duty-free treatment under a Generalized System of Preferences, it is necessary to subdivide some of the existing item numbers.

In order to implement the Generalized System of Preferences and to remove expired provisions of the TSUS, relating to the Philippine Republic and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, it is necessary to amend the Tariff Schedules of the United States, thus embodying the substance of relevant

provisions of the Trade Act of 1974, and of actions taken thereunder, into the Tariff Schedules of the United States.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and statutes of the United States of America, including Title V and Section 604 of the Trade Act of 1974 (88 Stat. 2066, 19 U.S.C. 2461 et seq.; 88 Stat. 2073, 19 U.S.C. 2483), and as President of the United States of America, in order to designate additional beneficiary developing countries and eligible articles, and to implement a Generalized System of Preferences, it is hereby ordered as follows:

Section 1. The following expired headnotes and items for the products of the Philippine Republic and of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands are deleted from the Tariff Schedules of the United States:

Headnotes:

General headnote 3(c);
 Headnotes 3 and 4, part 13, schedule 1;
 Headnotes 1, 2, and 3, part 14, schedule 1;
 Headnote 2, subpart B, part 14, schedule 1;
 Headnote 2, part 2, schedule 3; and
 Headnote 3, subpart A, part 7, schedule 7.

TSUS items:

170.22	170.44	175.11
170.23	170.47	175.12
170.24	170.48	176.05
170.26	170.49	176.06
170.27	170.62	176.07
170.29	170.63	176.08
170.31	170.64	176.09
170.33	170.68	176.10
170.34	170.70	176.11
170.36	170.74	176.12
170.37	170.75	176.13
170.42	170.76	745.21
170.43	175.10	745.22

Sec. 2. The article descriptions, including superior headings, for TSUS items 175.09 and 176.04 are amended to read, respectively, "Copra" and "Coconut Oil".

Sec. 3. A column entitled "GSP" is added to the left of, and adjacent to, the column entitled "Item" on each page of schedules 1 through 7 of the TSUS. The designations "A" or "A*", as specified in general headnote 3(c)(ii) of the TSUS, as added by Section 9 of this Order, shall be placed in the column entitled "GSP" opposite the TSUS item number of each article which has been designated as an eligible article for purposes of the Generalized System of Preferences.

Sec. 4. In order to subdivide existing items for purposes of the Generalized System of Preferences, the Tariff Schedules of the United States are amended as provided in Annex I, attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Sec. 5. The articles, identified by item numbers of the Tariff Schedules of the United States, as modified by this Order, set forth in Annex II and Annex III, attached hereto and made a part hereof, are designated, pursuant to Section 503 of the Trade Act of 1974 (88 Stat. 2069, 19 U.S.C. 2463), as eligible articles for purposes of the Generalized System of Preferences, and shall be given duty-free treatment as set forth in General Headnote 3(c) of the TSUS, as added by Section 9 of this Order.

Sec. 6. The designation "A" shall be inserted in the column entitled "GSP" of the TSUS, as modified by this Order, opposite the TSUS item numbers set forth in Annex II of this Order.

Sec. 7. The designation "A*" shall be inserted in the column entitled "GSP" of the TSUS, as modified by this Order, opposite the TSUS item numbers set forth in Annex III of this Order.

Sec. 8. The countries set forth in General Headnote 3(c)(i) of the TSUS, as added by Section 9 of this Order, are hereby designated as beneficiary developing countries.

Sec. 9. A new General Headnote 3(c) of the TSUS is hereby added as follows:

"(c) Products of Countries Designated Beneficiary Developing Countries for Purposes of the Generalized System of Preferences (GSP):

"(i) The following countries and territories are designated beneficiary developing countries for purposes of the Generalized System of Preferences, provided for in Title V of the Trade Act of 1974 (88 Stat. 2066, 19 U.S.C. 2461 et seq.):

"(a) Independent Countries

Afghanistan	Dominican Republic
Angola	Egypt
Argentina	El Salvador
Bahamas	Equatorial Guinea
Bahrain	Ethiopia
Bangladesh	Fiji
Barbados	Gambia
Bhutan	Ghana
Bolivia	Grenada
Botswana	Guatemala
Brazil	Guinea
Burma	Guinea Bissau
Burundi	Guyana
Cameroon	Haiti
Cape Verde	Honduras
Central African Republic	India
Chad	Israel
Chile	Ivory Coast
Colombia	Jamaica
Congo (Brazzaville)	Jordan
Costa Rica	Kenya
Cyprus	Korea, Republic of
Dahomey	Laos

Lebanon	Philippines
Lesotho	Romania
Liberia	Rwanda
Malagasy Republic	Sao Tome and Principe
Malawi	Senegal
Malaysia	Sierra Leone
Maldives Islands	Singapore
Mali	Somalia
Malta	Sri Lanka
Mauritania	Sudan
Mauritius	Surinam
Mexico	Swaziland
Morocco	Syria
Mozambique	Taiwan
Nauru	Tanzania
Nepal	Thailand
Nicaragua	Togo
Niger	Tonga
Oman	Trinidad and Tobago
Pakistan	Tunisia
Panama	Turkey
Papua New Guinea	Upper Volta
Paraguay	Uruguay
Peru	Western Samoa
	Yemen Arab Republic
	Yugoslavia
	Zaire
	Zambia

" (b) Non-Independent Countries and Territories

Afars and Issas, French Territory of the
 Antigua
 Belize
 Bermuda
 British Indian Ocean Territory
 British Solomon Islands
 Brunei
 Cayman Islands
 Christmas Island (Australia)
 Cocos (Keeling) Islands
 Comora Islands
 Cook Islands
 Dominica
 Falkland Islands (Malvinas) and Dependencies
 French Polynesia
 Gibraltar
 Gilbert and Ellice Islands
 Heard Island and McDonald Islands
 Hong Kong
 Macao
 Montserrat
 Netherlands Antilles
 New Caledonia
 New Hebrides Condominium
 Niue
 Norfolk Island
 Pitcairn Island
 Portuguese Timor
 Saint Christopher-Nevis-Anguilla
 Saint Helena
 Saint Lucia
 Saint Vincent

Seychelles
Spanish Sahara
Tokelau Islands
Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands
Turks and Caicos Islands
Virgin Islands, British
Wallis and Futuna Islands

"(ii) Articles for which the designations "A" or "A*" appear in the column entitled "GSP" of the schedules are those designated by the President to be eligible articles for purposes of the GSP pursuant to Section 503 of the Trade Act. The designation "A" signifies that all beneficiary developing countries are eligible for preferential treatment with respect to all articles provided for in the designated TSUS item, while the designation "A*" indicates that certain beneficiary developing countries, specifically enumerated in subdivision (c)(iii) of this headnote, are not eligible for such preferential treatment with regard to any article provided for in the designated TSUS item. Whenever an eligible article is imported into the customs territory of the United States directly from a country or territory listed in subdivision (c)(i) of this headnote, it shall receive duty-free treatment, unless excluded from such treatment by subdivision (c)(iii) of this headnote, provided that, in accordance with regulations promulgated by the Secretary of the Treasury:

"(A) The sum of (1) the cost or value of the materials produced in the beneficiary developing country, plus (2) the direct costs of processing

operations performed in such country is not less than 35 percent of the appraised value of such article at the time of its entry into the customs territory of the United States; or

"(B) The sum of (1) the cost or value of the material produced in two or more beneficiary developing countries which are members of the same association of countries which is treated as one country under Section 502(a) (3) of the Trade Act, plus (2) the direct cost of processing operations performed in such countries is not less than 50 percent of the appraised value of such article at the time of its entry into the customs territory of the United States;

"and provided further that, for the purposes of (A) above, the term "country" does not include an association of countries which is treated as one country under Section 502(a) (3) of the Trade Act, but does include a country which is a member of any such association.

"(iii) The following designated eligible articles provided for in TSUS item numbers preceded by the designation "A*", if imported from a beneficiary developing country set opposite the TSUS item numbers listed below, are not entitled to the duty-free treatment provided for in subdivision (c) (ii) of this headnote:

<u>TSUS item No.</u>	<u>Country or territory</u>	<u>TSUS item No.</u>	<u>Country or territory</u>
106.60	India	155.35	Dominican Republic
106.70	Nicaragua	155.40	Mexico
107.48	Argentina	155.75	Mexico
111.15	Mexico	156.45	Mexico
121.50	Yugoslavia	168.15	Trinidad
121.52	India	168.18	Peru
121.54	India	168.23	Peru
130.40	Mexico	168.50	Mexico
130.63	Mexico	176.01	Brazil
131.35	Hong Kong	176.02	Brazil
135.80	Nicaragua	190.10	Mexico
135.90	Mexico	192.85	Mexico
136.00	Dominican Republic	200.91	Mexico
136.80	Mexico	202.60	Thailand
136.98	Dominican Republic	202.62	Mexico
137.40	Mexico	206.45	Philippine Republic
137.75	Costa Rica	206.60	Mexico
138.05	Mexico	206.95	Haiti
140.09	Thailand	222.10	Hong Kong
140.14	Thailand	222.42	Hong Kong
140.16	Ethiopia	240.02	Philippine Republic
141.35	Turkey	240.10	Brazil
141.55	Dominican Republic	240.12	Brazil
141.70	Republic of China (Taiwan)	240.25	Republic of Korea
145.24	Mexico	240.38	Philippine Republic
145.60	Republic of China (Taiwan)	240.60	Singapore
146.12	Argentina	245.45	Surinam
146.44	Philippine Republic	256.60	Republic of Korea
147.33	Jamaica	256.85	Mexico
147.80	Mexico	304.04	Philippine Republic
148.35	Mexico	304.40	Republic of Korea
148.72	Chile	304.48	Mexico
148.77	Republic of Korea	304.58	India
149.15	Dominican Republic	305.20	India
149.50	Dominican Republic	305.22	India
152.00	Philippine Republic	305.28	India
152.43	Dominican Republic	305.30	India
152.72	Honduras	305.40	Philippine Republic
153.02	Dominican Republic	306.52	Republic of China (Taiwan)
153.08	Dominican Republic	306.53	Peru
	Argentina	319.01	India
	Brazil	319.03	India
	Republic of China (Taiwan)	319.05	India
	Colombia	319.07	India
	Costa Rica	335.50	India
155.20	Dominican Republic	347.30	India
	Guatemala	355.04	Mexico
	Guyana	360.35	India
	India	364.18	Republic of China (Taiwan)
	Jamaica	364.35	Republic of China (Taiwan)
	Mexico	365.05	Colombia
	Peru	365.14	Pakistan
	Philippine Republic	403.78	Mexico

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416.10	Turkey	612.06	{Chile
418.28	Israel		{Yugoslavia
419.60	Chile	613.18	Israel
420.78	Turkey	618.29	Republic of Korea
421.46	Mexico	624.42	Mexico
421.90	Peru	628.90	Chile
422.76	Mexico	646.06	Hong Kong
425.32	Mexico	646.82	Republic of China (Taiwan)
426.94	Israel	646.86	Hong Kong
428.92	Mexico	646.98	Mexico
437.16	India	647.10	Mexico
437.64	Brazil	649.37	Mexico
446.10	Malaysia	650.87	Hong Kong
455.16	Nicaragua	651.01	Hong Kong
461.05	Israel	652.36	Hong Kong
461.15	Bermuda	653.85	Republic of China (Taiwan)
465.70	Argentina	656.20	Hong Kong
470.57	Argentina	661.65	Israel
472.48	Cyprus	672.10	Hong Kong
473.36	Cyprus	676.20	Mexico
473.52	Mexico	676.52	Mexico
473.56	Mexico	678.50	Republic of China (Taiwan)
493.20	Republic of China (Taiwan)	683.80	Hong Kong
493.21	Republic of China (Taiwan)	684.50	Hong Kong
511.31	Mexico		{Republic of China (Taiwan)
511.41	Mexico		{Hong Kong
511.51	Mexico	685.24	{Republic of Korea
512.44	Mexico		{Singapore
514.11	Dominican Republic	685.90	Mexico
514.54	Mexico	686.30	Republic of China (Taiwan)
516.71	India	688.10	Republic of China (Taiwan)
516.73	India	688.40	Hong Kong
516.76	India	692.27	Mexico
517.21	Malagasy Republic	694.60	Mexico
517.24	Malagasy Republic	696.35	Republic of China (Taiwan)
518.41	Mexico	702.08	Republic of China (Taiwan)
520.35	Thailand	702.14	Hong Kong
520.37	Hong Kong	702.35	Mexico
523.61	Mexico	702.45	Mexico
531.04	Yugoslavia	703.20	Mexico
535.31	Mexico	703.65	Mexico
540.47	Mexico	706.40	Hong Kong
544.11	Republic of China (Taiwan)	708.41	Hong Kong
545.53	Mexico	710.30	Mexico
545.65	Mexico	713.05	Israel
547.51	Mexico	713.19	Mexico
602.30	{Peru	722.14	Hong Kong
	{Philippine Republic	725.20	Pakistan
603.45	Republic of Korea		
605.60	Mexico		
610.56	India		
612.03	{Chile		
	{Peru		

<u>TSUS item No.</u>	<u>Country or territory</u>	<u>TSUS item No.</u>	<u>Country or territory</u>
726.70	Mexico	748.20	Hong Kong
730.27	Brazil	748.40	Republic of China (Taiwan)
730.39	Brazil	750.05	Hong Kong
730.41	Brazil	750.35	Republic of China (Taiwan)
730.65	Yugoslavia	750.40	Hong Kong
731.30	Republic of China (Taiwan)	751.05	Republic of China (Taiwan)
731.50	Republic of Korea	751.20	Republic of China (Taiwan)
734.10	Republic of China (Taiwan)	760.65	Republic of China (Taiwan)
734.25	Hong Kong	771.05	Mexico
734.30	Hong Kong	772.03	Hong Kong
734.34	Hong Kong	772.35	Republic of China (Taiwan)
734.40	Republic of China (Taiwan)	772.97	Hong Kong
734.51	Republic of China (Taiwan)	773.10	Hong Kong
734.54	Republic of Korea	773.20	Republic of Korea
734.56	Haiti	774.20	India
734.60	Republic of China (Taiwan)	774.60	Hong Kong
737.40	Hong Kong	790.07	Hong Kong
737.50	Hong Kong	790.39	Republic of China (Taiwan)
737.95	Hong Kong	790.70	Republic of Korea
740.05	Mexico	791.20	Brazil
740.30	Hong Kong	792.50	Philippine Republic
740.70	Yugoslavia	792.60	Hong Kong
741.20	Hong Kong	792.75	Hong Kong
745.08	Hong Kong		

Sec. 10. The provisions of this Order shall be effective with respect to articles that are both (1) imported, and (2) (a) entered for consumption or (b) withdrawn from warehouse for consumption on or after the effective date of this Order.

Sec. 11. Executive Order No. 11844 of March 24, 1975, is superseded.

Sec. 12. This Order shall be effective on January 1, 1976.

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