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DENIED PARTY UPDATES

UK

18 denied parties have been added.

Authority: GB Department for Business Enterprise and Regulatory Reform

UN

16 denied parties have been added and 53 modified.

Authority: UN the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1267

US

72 denied parties have been added, and 1 deleted.

Authority: Office of Foreign Assets Control and Department of Commerce; Office of Foreign Assets Control

QUOTA UPDATES

The quota updates for this week include:

1. EU Quota fill-rates
2. US Tariff Rate Quota fill-rates.

LANDED COST UPDATES

AMERICAS

COLOMBIA

This is an update for change in excise duty for certain selected product of alcohol and tobacco. The following HTS chapters are affected: 22 and 24.

Authority: Colombia customs service

COSTA RICA

This is an update to the preferential programs for Costa Rica. This update adds the Costa Rica - United States preferential rates under the Central America-Dominican Republic-United States Free Trade Agreement.

Authority: Ministry of Treasury

CUBA

This is a Cuba landed cost update to the 2009 Tariff Schedule relating to the insertion of HTS numbers, deletion of HTS numbers for products classified under certain chapters. The following HTS chapters are affected: 30 and 38.

Authority: Ministry of Foreign Trade and Finance

VENEZUELA

This is an update to Price Band Controls for Venezuela. This update modifies the duty rate for products under price band controls for several agricultural products such as barley, sugar and whole milk. The following HTS chapters are affected: 02, 04, 10, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17, 19, 23, 35 and 38.

Authority: Andean Community

ASIA-PACIFIC

INDIA

This is an update for change in excise duty affecting various products across the tariff.

Authority: Central Board of Customs and Excise

EUROPE

ALBANIA

This is a rollover for change in preferential duty rates for European Union, Turkey and CEFTA member countries for the year 2009 and also incorporate change in descriptions for products classified under certain chapters.

Authority: Albania Customs

BULGARIA

This is a rollover of the Bulgarian VAT rates. This rollover includes the standard VAT rate, as well as the reduced VAT rates and the VAT exemptions.

Authority: Ministry of Finance

MIDDLE-EAST/AFRICA

BOTSWANA

This is an update for change in Excise duty rates and addition/deletion of UOMs for certain selected products like alcohol and tobacco. The following HTS chapters are affected: 19, 22 and 24.

Authority: South African Revenue Service (SARS)

ISRAEL

This is an update for change in purchase tax for vehicles; addition and deletion of HS numbers, change in description, change in default duty rates, EFTA rates, EU rates and Jordan rates for natural honey, pistachios, cereals, tobacco, sulphate chemical, glass, articles of aluminium and machinery parts. The following HTS chapters are affected: 04, 08, 10, 24, 28, 29, 70, 76, 84 and 87.

Authority: Israel Customs & VAT

ON THE ANVIL**Updates being processed:**

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 Argentina
 Australia
 Botswana
 Brazil
 Canada
 Chile
 EU
 India
 Israel
 Jamaica
 Japan
 Lesotho
 Mexico
 Namibia
 New Zealand
 Saudi Arabia
 South Africa
 Swaziland
 Switzerland
 Taiwan
 Thailand
 Turkey
 UN
 US
 Venezuela
 Vietnam

REGULATORY UPDATES**AMERICAS****CHILE**

This is an update to import and export regulations for Chile. This update modifies the import and export requirements for products listed in the Montreal Protocol. The following HTS chapters are affected: 29, 33, 34, 38, 39 and 84.

Authority: Agriculture and Livestock Service

MEXICO

1. This is an update to export regulations for Mexico. This update establishes new export controls for products classified under certain chapters. The following HTS chapters are affected: 12, 13, 16, 28, 29, 30, 33 and 38
2. This is an update to import regulations for Mexico. This update eliminates the anti-dumping duties imposed on Parathion-methyl from Denmark, regardless of the country of manufacture. The following HTS chapters are affected: 29 and 38.

Authority: Secretariat of Economy

VENEZUELA

This is an update to export regulations for Venezuela. This update establishes new export certificate requirements for several agricultural products. The following HTS chapters are affected: 01 to 04, 07 to 12, 15, 16, 17, 19, 21 and 23.

Authority: Popular Power Ministry of Food

ASIA-PACIFIC**NEW ZEALAND**

This update makes changes to New Zealand Import regulation for certain selected products of edible vegetables and spices. The type of control affected by this update is: Import Approval. The following HTS chapters are affected: 07 and 09.

Authority: New Zealand Customs Service

EUROPE**EU**

1. This is an update changing the name of a company subject to an individual anti-dumping duty of EU for imports of certain polyester staple fibres originating in the Republic of Korea. The following HTS chapter is affected: 55
2. This is an update on Anti dumping duties of EU affecting imports of certain iron or steel fasteners originating in China. The following HTS chapter is affected: 73.

Authority: European Union Customs

CARRIER SERVICE UPDATES**ASIA-ECSA**

CMA CGM will be rationalizing its SEAS Service, which is operated in partnership with China Shipping, Maruba, and K Line. Starting March 26th, the SEAS 1 and SEAS 2 loops will be merged into one single string. The new port rotation will include the following locations: Qingdao, Pusan, Shanghai, Ningbo, Chiwan, Port Kelang, Rio de Janeiro, Santos, Buenos Aires, Montevideo, Rio Grande, Paranagua, Sao Francisco do Sul, Durban (Eastbound), and Hong Kong. Xiamen and Hong Kong (Westbound) are not part of the new rotation, but will be connected by feeders through other services.

N.AM-EUR

As a result of economic developments, members of the St. Lawrence Coordinated Services (SLCS) would like to advise that the Route-3 service from Montreal to Europe (Hapag-Lloyd's SLCS3 Service and OOCL's GEX3 Service) will be temporarily suspended. The Route-1 service (SLCS1/GEX1) will be upgraded through the injection of additional tonnage. The port of Liverpool will be added to the weekly rotation, which will also include the following locations: Antwerp, Southampton, Le Havre, and Montreal. The Route-2 service (SLCS2/GEX2) will remain unchanged.

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