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SCHEDULE XXXVII - TURKEY

Readjustment of Duty Rates and Entry into Force of a Revised Tariff

The secretariat has received the following letter dated 4 June from the Government of Turkey:

"On 26 February 1954, the National Assembly of Turkey adopted a law (Law No. 6290, promulgated on 6/3/1954) modifying the customs tariff and adopting the nomenclature and the definition of customs value laid down in the Brussels Conventions. The new tariff is based essentially on ad valorem duties. It will enter into force on 7 June 1954, that is three months after the date of promulgation.

"The entry into force of the new customs tariff raises a number of problems of transposition which the Turkish Government deemed it more useful and more fit not to raise in order to avoid difficulties for the CONTRACTING PARTIES, taking account of the fact that the assured life of the existing Schedules expires on 1 July 1955. To that end a provisional article has been inserted into Law No. 6290 to provide that imports which are subject to a conventional rate of duty shall, during the period of validity of the relevant Conventions, continue to be subject to the rates in force on the date when those Conventions entered into force.

"The general Note which appears at the end of the Turkish Schedule to the General Agreement provides that 'the Turkish Government reserves the right to convert the specific duty of the categories in which the actual incidence is less than 5 per cent to an ad valorem duty not greater than 5 per cent or to carry this specific duty to a level corresponding to that ad valorem equivalent'. Furthermore, under the Note which appears in item 544 the Turkish Government is free to convert the duties provided for under this item into ad valorem duties not exceeding 20 per cent. Again, under the note which appears at the end of item 664 the Turkish Government reserves 'the right to assess any or all of the machines or apparatus provided for in Item 664 at ... an ad valorem duty not exceeding 10 per cent ...'.

"The Turkish Government has decided to invoke these provisions and, therefore, transmits herewith a list of the duties which have been modified under those provisions and which shall become applicable as of 7 June 1954. The Turkish Government requests that this list be circulated to the contracting parties and that the secretariat may take whatever steps are necessary in order that such modifications be incorporated in the next Protocol of Rectifications and Modifications."

ANNEX

MODIFICATIONS OF
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introduced by the Government of Turkey in accordance with the rights reserved therein (see notes to items 544 and 664 as well as the general note at the end of the Schedule).

Effective from 7 June 1954

Tariff Item No.	Description of Products	Rate of Duty
ex 64 B	Rennet bags, dried (not prepared, cut in pieces) ad val.	5%
72	Hides or skins, green; with or without hair, not worked, salted or limed:	
C	Other hides or skins:	
3	Weighing 18 kgs or more ad val.	5%
ex 89	Transmission belts and articles of leather or of hide or skin, used in connection with machinery ad val.	5%
112	Bags, attaché cases, double wallets, hoses, bands, machine belts and the like, of wool or of animal hair or horsehair (mixed or not with other materials):	
	Sacks for presses, and machine belts, of wool or of animal hair or horsehair ad val.	5%
133	Gauze, tulle and bolting cloth, of natural or artificial silk, whether or not mixed with other textile materials (including those combined with metal threads or other materials):	
C	Bolting cloth ad val.	5%
ex 258	Green trees and seedlings (fruit and other trees) ad val.	5%
281	All plastic materials prepared synthetically with bases such as cellulose, casein, gelatin, starch, phenol, urea, phtalic acid, polyamide (nylon), vinyl, chloracetate copolymer, vinylidene chloride copolymer, acrylonitril copolymer, polyvinyl alcohol, polystyrene, polyethylene, tetrafluoroethylene polymer and the like:	
A	Crude, in powder or in ingots (coloured or not) ad val.	5%

Tariff Item No:	Description of Products	Rate of Duty
290	Wooden casks:	
B	Containing more than 25 litres ad val.	5%
295	Cylinders, combs, spindles, shuttles, reels, looms, spools of all kinds and the like, of any kind of wood, for weaving purposes (combined or not with other materials) ad val.	5%
307	Brushes, paint-brushes and brooms:	
C	Brooms and brushes for industrial purposes, of horsehair or other animal hair or the same mixed with vegetable fibres or materials, or of wire or fabrics (with or without handle) ad val.	5%
323 C	Cellulose ad val.	5%
ex 424	Machine belting (including that with balata) (combined or not with other materials) .. ad val.	5%
444	Plates, sheets, tapes, rods and hose, of vulcanized rubber and the same articles combined with base metals or other materials: Belting, and special hose of pneumatic hammers, of rubber, whether or not strengthened or combined with cloth or other materials ad val.	5%
449	Other rubber articles n.e.m. (combined or not with other materials): Rubber gasket (cut out) ad val.	5%
459	Millstones and other grinding stones (combined or not with other materials) ad val.	5%
506	Incandescent tubes for Roentgen apparatus. ad val.	5%
ex 513	Laboratory instruments and apparatus, of glass ad val.	5%
519	Pure steel and special steel:	
ex A	Bars (all sections) ad val.	5%
B	Plates, sheets, hoop or strip ad val.	5%

Tariff Item No:	Description of Products	Rate of Duty
523 B 2 ex ex	Plates or sheets of iron or steel (plain or corrugated), hoop and strip: Plated with copper, tin, zinc, nickel, lead, aluminium or oxidised: Up to 3 millimetres in thickness: Other than galvanized with zinc: Tin-plate, in plates ad val. Hoop or strip of iron or steel ad val.	 5% 5%
538 A B 1 2 ex D ex H	Hand tools of any kind, of iron (with or without handle): Saws of all kinds, toothed or not (including saw blades) ad val. Files: Up to 16 centimetres in length ad val. 16 centimetres and more in length ad val. Tinsmith's shears, vices, pincers, planes, and tools n.e.m. for joiners ad val. Gimlets, rulers, compasses, callipers, augers ad val.	 5% 5% 5% 5%
544 A B	Umbrella frames of iron, and parts thereof (including the sticks): Plain or varnished ad val. Combined with common materials or plated ad val. (Note cancelled)	 20% 20%
557 A	Pipes, unions and parts of pipes, of copper (of any kind): Plain or painted: Copper or brass pipes ad val.	 5%
574 B ex D	Zinc and zinc alloys: Ingots ad val. Plates ad val.	 5% 5%

Tariff Item No:	Description of Products	Rate of Duty
583 B	Antimony: Ingots and other forms ad val.	5%
648 ex B.	Steam boilers: Central heating boilers ad val.	5%
649 A 2	Locomotives without tender and parts of locomotives ad val.	5%
650	Tractors ad val.	5%
651	Motors driven by water, air, petroleum, benzine, petroleum derivatives or by other motive power (except electricity) (mounted or not)	
A	The whole weighing up to 50 Kgs.:	
1	Motors driven by petroleum, benzine and petroleum derivatives ad val.	5%
2	Motors driven by other motive power ad val.	5%
C	The whole weighing from 100 to 500 Kgs.:	
ex	Motors driven by petroleum, benzine and petroleum derivatives ad val.	5%
D	The whole weighing from 500 to 1500 Kgs.:	
ex	Motors driven by petroleum, benzine and petroleum derivatives ad val.	5%
H	The whole weighing from 1500 to 5000 Kgs.:	
ex	Motors driven by petroleum, benzine and petroleum derivatives ad val.	5%
V	The whole weighing 5000 Kgs. or more:	
ex	Motors driven by petroleum, benzine and petroleum derivatives ad val.	5%
652	Electric engines (electro-motors), dynamos (alternating or continuous current), trans- formers, commutators, resistances, coils, magnetos, sparking plugs, converters, dis- tributors, ventilators, vacuum cleaners and the like (mounted or not):	
A	The whole weighing up to 10 Kgs: Ventilators, vacuum cleaners 100 K.N.	102.66*

* Unchanged; included only for clearer understanding.

Tariff Item No.	Description of Products	Rate of Duty
B	Electric engines (electro-motors), dynamos and the like, transformers, resistances, coils and the like, commutators and the like, converters and distributors ad val.	5%**
	Other 100 K.N.	10.27*
	The whole weighing from 10 to 50 Kgs.: Ventilators, vacuum cleaners 100 K.N.	32.08*
	Electric engines (electro-motors), dynamos and the like, transformers, resistances, coils and the like, sparking plugs and the like, commutators and the like, converters and distributors ad val. Other 100 K.N.	5%** 3.21*
654 ex B	Electrodes for electric welding ad val.	5%
657 ex	Textile working machines, such as machines for combing, carding or devilling, for ginning cotton or silk, for twisting, weaving, dressing, drying, dyeing and other (mounted or not):	
	Machines for dressing, drying, dyeing and other ad val.	5%
658	Lathes, power saws, planing machines, punching machines, wire-drawing machines, power hammers, machines for making nails or tin boxes, glass making machines and machines used in the glass making industry, machines for making cement and cement moulds, machines for crushing stones and other machines used in the manufacture of articles of metal, earth and wood (mounted or not):	

* Unchanged; included only for clearer understanding.

** The products included in this new sub-item previously fell under "Other".

Tariff Item No.	Description of Products	Rate of Duty
A ex	Weighing up to 250 Kgs.: Lathes, power saws, planing machines, punching machines, wire-drawing machines and other machines used in the manufacture of articles of metal, earth or wood ad val.	5%
B ex	Weighing from 250 to 2000 Kgs.: Lathes, power saws, planing machines, punching machines and wire-drawing machines .. ad val.	5%
C ex	Weighing 2000 Kgs. or more: Lathes, power saws, planing machines, punching machines, wire-drawing machines, machines for crushing stones and other machines used in the manufacture of articles of metal, earth or wood ad val.	5%
ex 659	Concrete mixers 100 K.W.	11.55*
ex 659	Machines for splitting, washing, scraping or brushing hides or skins..... ad val.	5%
660	Sewing machines (for sewing clothing, hats, boots and shoes, and other), knitting, embroidery or net machines, including their mechanical parts and spare parts (but not including needles) (including machines operated by electricity): Knitting, embroidery and net machines, their mechanical parts and spare parts 100 K.G. Sewing machines for boots and shoes, their mechanical parts and spare parts ad val. Other 100 K.G.	4.49* 5%** 30.-*
662 A ex B	Typewriters, calculating, registering, counting, sorting and classifying machines, and parts thereof (including electric machines): Weighing up to 5 Kgs.: Calculating and registering machines and parts thereof..... ad val. Weighing 5 Kgs. and over ad val.	5% 5%

* Unchanged; included only for clearer understanding.

** The products included in this new sub-item previously fell under "Other".

Tariff Item No.	Description of Products	Rate of Duty
664	Ploughs: wheelless, single-wheel, with fore-carriage, turnwrest without roller, turnwrest with roller (with forecarriage), double furrow, treble furrow, multiple furrow, deep ploughs, cultivators, (sowing drills, weeding machines), tractor and animal-drawn harrows, ordinary and clod-crushing rollers (flat and toothed "brise-mottes", culti packers), animal worked digging machines, hand digging machines, potato-hole drills, earthing-in ploughs, seed ploughs, liquid manure pumps, liquid manure spreaders, winnowers, straw and hay cutting machines, root-cutters, fodder crushing or bruising machines, maize cutting machines, hemp cutting and bruising machines, sulfuring machines, all apiary appliances, incubators and all bird-rearing appliances, whims for operating agricultural machines, and replacement parts for the above mentioned articles (including plough-coulters)..	10%
665	Pumps of any kind for liquids, gas, air and other: ex Pumps other than hand pumps ad val. ex Pumps for gas, air and other ad val.	5% 5%
666	Machines for millers, kneading machines, machines for making and preparing pastes, macaroni, confectionery, sausages and other comestibles, ice-making machines, sterilizers, pasteurizers, refrigerating machines, machines for washing and filling bottles, cranes, roasting machines, milling machines, clothes washing and ironing machines and other machines n.e.m. (mounted or not): A The whole weighing up to 50 Kgs.: Ice-chests, ice-making machines, refrigerating machines and lifts 100 K.N. Other ad val. B The whole weighing from 50 Kgs. up to 150 Kgs.: Ice-chests, ice-making machines, refrigerating machines and lifts 100 K.N. Other ad val.	33.88* 5% 27.10* 5%

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Tariff Item No.	Description of Products	Rate of Du'
C	The whole weighing from 150 Kgs. up to 500 Kgs.: Ice-chests, ice-making machines, refrigerating machines and lifts 100 K.N. Machines for extracting minerals, and their equipment 100 K.N. Other ad val.	22.59* 2.57** 5%
D	The whole weighing from 500 Kgs. up to 2000 Kgs.: Ice-chests, ice-making machines, refrigerating machines and lifts 100 K.N. Other ad val.	20.33* 5%
H	The whole weighing from 2000 Kgs. up to 10000 Kgs.: Ice-chests, ice-making machines, refrigerating machines and lifts 100 K.N. Other ad val.	18.07* 5%
V	The whole weighing 10000 Kgs. or more: Ice-chests, ice-making machines, refrigerating machines and lifts 100 K.N. Other ad val.	15.81* 5%
666/1	Ball and roller bearings of all kinds, weighing each: A Up to 300 grammes ad val. B 301 to 1000 grammes ad val. C Over 1000 grammes ad val.	5% 5% 5%
666/2	Mechanical parts for machines and apparatus, of iron, steel and other base metals (combined or not with other materials), n.e.m., weighing each: A 1000 Kgs. or more ad val. B 300 to 1000 Kgs. (exclusive) ad val. C 100 to 300 Kgs. (exclusive) ad val.	5% 5% 5%

* Unchanged; included only for clearer understanding.

** The products included in this new sub-item previously fell under "Other".

Tariff Item No.	Description of Products	Rate of Duty
D	15 to 100 Kgs. (exclusive) ad val.	5%
E	1 to 15 Kgs. (exclusive) ad val.	5%
H	Less than 1 Kg. ad val.	5%
	Note*: Plates for apparatus with plates for dairies (finished) are classified under item 666/2.	
667	Automobile vehicles:	
B	Chassis for automobiles of any kind, with or without engine (with or without tyres):	
2	Weighing from 750 up to 1100 Kgs. ad val.	5%
710	Potassium and its salts:	
ex H	Permanganate and chlorate of potassium. ad val.	5%
711	Sodium and its salts:..	
V 1	Carbonate ad val.	5%
2	Nitrate ad val.	5%
3	Acetate, borate, baborate (borax), bicarbonate, chlorate, chloride, pure caustic soda, sulphide, sulphate, bisulphate, sulphite, bisulphite, hydrosulphite, hyposulphite, nitrite, pure sodium chloride and other sodium salts, n.e.m.:	
	Sodium sulfate (Glauber salts) 100 K.N.L.	0.26 ¹⁾
	Chlorate ad val.	5% ²⁾
	Other 100 K.N.L.	9.62*
	(first note cancelled)	
	Note*: The importation of ordinary sodium chloride (kitchen salt) is prohibited.	
716	Magnesium and its salts:	
A	Magnesium (metal), in threads, rips, powder, pieces, plates, ingots and sheets ad val.	5%

1) The rest of the items will be classified like "Other".
 2) Chlorate previously fell under sub-item "Other".
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Tariff Item No.	Description of Products	Rate of Duty
745 C	Carbon disulphide ad val.	5%
754 ex Y	Acids, organic and non-organic: Oxalic, formic and nitric: Nitric ad val.	5%
756 ex D	Gasses, compressed or liquefied: Rare gasses ad val.	5%
760	Insecticide preparations of all kinds, for destroying rats, flees and the like (in powder, paste, liquid and other forms) (including the weight of inner receptacles)..... ad val.	5%
841	Theobromine ad val.	5%