## ACCESSION OF COSTA RICA

Decree No. 17774-MEC temporarily modifying the customs duties provided for in the Central American Import Tariff for the headings indicated in the Decree is reproduced below for the information of contracting parties. The Decree was published in the Official Gazette of Costa Rica on 7 October 1987.

DECREE
No. 17774-MEC
THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC
AND THE MINISTER OF THE ECONCMY AND TRADE

## Considering

1. That in accordance with Article 26 of the Convention of the Central American Tariff and Customs Regime, in Law No. 6986, the Governments of the Contracting States may unilaterally apply temporary modifications in the import duties established in Annex $A$ of the Convention when a State is confronted with serious balance-of-payments difficulties;
2. That in order to remedy the country's chronic balance-of-payments problems the Government is carrying out an economic adjustment programme aimed at transforming the existing production systen into a more efficient one so that the country may gain a better position in international trade, by means of the development of exports;
3. That in order to achieve such transformation of the production system, one of the elements included in the programme is the gradual and selective reduction of tariffs;
4. That having informed the other signatories of the Convention of the Central American Tariff and Customs Regime of the tariff modifications Costa Rica has to undertake;
5. I'hat having convened the Central American Tariff and Customs Council to consider these modifications, and in view of the urgent need for Costa Rica to put the new tariffs into effect;

Therefore,
In accordance with the powers granted to them by Article 140 , paragraphs 3 eid 18, of the Political Constitution, 28:2(b) and 2 of the General Law of Publjc Administration, 26 of the Convention of the Central American Tariff and Customs Régime and 10 of Law No. 7017 ratifying Annex A of the aforsmentioned Convention: Central American Import Tariff,

DECREE:
Article 1. The customs duties provided in the Central. American Import Tariff for the headings indicated below shill be modified so that the duty rates shall be as follows:
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| NAUCA |  | Description of goods | Rate of duty |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 07.01 |  | Vegetables, fresh or chilled: Potatoes: |  |
|  | 01 |  |  |
|  | 01 | For sowing | 54 |
|  | 99 | Other |  |
|  | 0200 | Tomatoes | 54 |
|  | 0300 | Mushrooms and truffles | 54 |
|  | 8000 | Other | 54 |
| 08.01 | 0000 | Dates, bananas, coconuts, Brazil nuts, cashew nuts, pineapples, avocados, mangoes, guavas and mangosteens, fresh or dried, shelled or not | 45 |
| 08.02 | 0000 | Citrus fruit, fresh or dried | 45 |
| 08.03 | 0000 | Figs, fresh or dried | 45 |
| 08.04 | 0000 | Grapes, fresh or dried | 45 |
| 08.05 | 0000 | Nuts, other than those falling within heading No. 08.01, fresh or dried, shelled or not | 45 |
| 08.06 | 0000 | Apples, pears and quinces, fresh | 45 |
| 08.07 | 0000 | Stone fruit, fresh | 45 |
| 08.08 | 0000 | Berries, fresh | 45 |
| 08.09 | 0000 | Other fruit, fresh | 54 |
| 08.10 | 0000 | Fruit (whether or not cooked), preserved by freezing, not containing added sugar) | 54 |
| 08.11 |  | Fruit provisionally preserved (for example, by sulphur dioxide gas, in brine, in sulphur water or in other preservative solutions), but unsuitable in that state for immediate consumption: |  |
|  | 8000 | Other | 54 |
| 08.12 | 0000 | Fruit, dried, other than that falling within heading No. 08.01, 08.02, 08.03, 08.04 or 08.05 | 54 |
| 08.13 | 0000 | Peel of melons and citrus fruit, fresh, frozen, dried, or provisionally preserved in brine, in sulphur water or in other preservative solutions | 54 |






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| NAUCA |  | Description of goods | Rate of duty |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 39.02 |  | Polymerisation and copolymerisation products (for example, polyethylene, polytetrahaloethylenes, polyisobutylene, polystyrene, polyvinyl chloricie, polyvinyl acetate, polyvinyl chloracetate and other polyvinyl derivatives, polyacrylic and polymethacrylic derivatives. coumarone-indene resins): |  |
|  |  | In the primary forms referred to in Note 3 (c) and <br> (d) to this Chapter: |  |
|  | 05 | Straight tubes and pipes of PVC the greatest cross-sectional dimension of which is 400 mm . or less | 40 |
|  | 06 | Straight tubes and pipes of C-PVC the greatest cross-sectional dimension of which is 26 mm . or less | 40 |
|  |  | Articles of materials of the kinds described in headings Nos. 39.01 to 39.06: |  |
|  | 99 | Articles of apparel and clothing accessories: Other | 54 |
|  |  | Carboys, demi-johns, bottles, flagons, flasks, boxes, pots, cases, sachets and the like, and bungs, stoppers, lids, caps and other similar closures: |  |
|  | 02 | Sachets, flagons and the like, other than multilaminated or extruded cryovac sachets | 40 |
|  | 00 | Articles of tableware or kitchenware (dishes, cutlery, tablecloths, napkins, glasses, cups, etc.) | 54 |
|  | 00 | Household articles (bins, buckets, food boxes, etc.); sanitary or toilet articles (hand basins, baths, soap dishes, etc.) and furnishing articles (curtains, chair covers, etc.) | 54 |
|  | 00 | Chandeliers, lampshades, lanterns and similar articles for lighting, whether or not electrically equipped | 54 |
|  |  | Tubes, pipes and fittings therefor, rods, bars, profile shapes, mouldings, etc., other than those referred to in Note 3 to this Chapter: |  |
|  | 01 | Tubes and pipes of PVC the greatest cross-sectional. dimension of which is 400 mm . or less | 45 |
|  | 02 | Accessories of PVC the greatest cross-sectional dimension of which is 110 mm . or less | 45 |
|  | 03 | Tubes and pipes of C-PVC the greatest crosssectional dimension of which is 26 mm . or less | 45 |

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 80 | Other: |  |
|  | 09 | Ashtrays, clothes-hooks, statuettes and other ornaments of a kind used indoors | 54 |
|  | 99 | Other | 45 |
| 40.11 |  | Rubber tyres, tyre cases, interchangeable tyre treads, inner tubes and tyre flaps, for wheels of all kinds: |  |
|  | 02 | Rubber tyres and tyre cases for vehicles falling within Chapter 87 (other than those specified in 40.1101 above), except for rubber tyres and tyre cases for use with agricultural machinery: |  |
|  | 02 | For wheel-rims of a diameter of 25.4 cm . or more (No. 10) but not more than 38.1 cm . (No. 15) | 40 |
| 40.13 |  | Articles of apparel and clothing accessories (including gloves), for all purposes, of unhardened vulcanised rubber: |  |
|  | 01. | Articles of apparel and clothing accessories: Other | 45 |
| 42.010 | 0000 | Saddlery and harness, of any material (for example, saddles, harness, collars, traces, knee-pads and boots), for any kind of animal | 54 |
| 42.020 | 0000 | Travel goods (for example, trunks, suit-cases, hat-boxes, travelling-bags, rucksacks), shoppingbags, handbags, satchels, brief-cases, wallets, purses, toilet-cases, toolcases, tobacco-pouches, sheaths, cases, boxes (for example, for arms, musical instruments, binoculars, jewellery, bottles collars, footwear, brushes) and similar containers, of leather or of composition leather, of vulcanised fibre, or artificial plasti.c sheeting, of paperboard or of textile fabric | 54 |
| 42.03 | 8000 | Articles of apparel and clothing accessories, of leather or of composition leather: Other | 54 |
| 42.050 | 0000 | Other articles of leather or of composition leather | 54 |
| 43.0300 | 0000 | Articles of furskin | 63 |



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| NAUCA | Description of goods | Rate of duty |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 85.20 | Electric filament lamps and electric discharge |  |
|  | lamps (including infra-red and ultra-violet |  |
|  | lamps); arc lamps: |  |
| 02 | Fluorescent tubes, with a minimum power of 14 W and a maximum power of 215 W : |  |
|  | Straight tubes, of a minimum power of 14 W and a maximum power of 215 W | 50 |
| 85.22 | Electrical appliances and apparatus, having individual functions, not falling within any other heading of this Chapter: |  |
| 010 | Medium or high frequency amplifiers; synchronisers | 45 |
| 85.23 | Insulated (including enamelled or anodized) electric wire, cable, bars, strip and the like (including co-axial cable), whether or not fitted with connectors: |  |
|  | Wire and cable of copper or of ajuminium and their silicon, magnesium and manganese alloys, of a maximum capacity of 5000 V , whether or not for telephones, (other than lacquered, enamelled or anodized co-axial cables and submarine wire and cable) | 45 |
| 87.1000 | Cycles (including delivery tricycles), not motorized | 45 |
| 87.12 | Parts and accessories of articles falling within heading No. 87.09, 87.10 or 87.11: |  |
|  | Of the vehicles falling within heading No. 87.10: |  |
|  | Frames, including forks and cranks; mudguards, chain guards; lliggage racks; rims (of metal only); spokes | 45 |
| 87.13000 | Baby carriages and parts thereof | 45 |
| 87.14 | Other vehicles (including trailers), not mechanically propelled, and parts thereof: |  |
| 010 | Trailers and semi-trailers, for use as dwellings or for camping of the caravan type | 54 |
| 800 | Other | 40 |



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| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 95.08 | Worked vegetable and mineral carving material and articles of those materials; moulded or carved articles of wax, of stearin, of natural gums or natural resins (for example, copal or rosin) or of modelling pastes, and other moulded or carved articles not elsewhere specified or included; worked, unhardened gelatin (except gelatin falling within heading No. 35.03) and articles of unhardened gelatin: |  |
| 8000 | Other | 45 |
| 96.01 | Brooms and brushes, consisting of twigs or other vegetable materials merely bound together and not mounted in a head (for example, besoms and whisks), with or without handles; other brooms and brushes (including brushes of a kind used as parts of machines); prepared knots and tufts for broom and brush making; paint rollers, squeegees (other than roller squeegees) and mops: |  |
| 8000 | Other | 45 |
| 97.1200 00 | Dolls | 45 |
| 97.030000 | Other toys; working models of a kind used for recreational purposes | 45 |
| 97.04 | Equipment for parlour, table and funfair games for adults or children (including billiard tables and pintables and table-tennis requisites): |  |
| 0300 | Coin-operated games | 54 |
| 0400 | Electronic games | 54 |
| و90 | Other: Other: | 54 |
| 97.050000 | Carnival articles; entertainment articles (for example, conjuring tricks and novelty jokes); Christmas tree decorations and similar articles for Christmas festivities (for example, artificial Christmas trees, Christmas stockings, imitation yule logs, Nativity scenes and figures therefor) | 54 |
| 97.080000 | Roundabouts, swings, shooting galleries and other fairground amusements; travelling circuses; travelling menageries and travelling theatres |  |



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Article 2. This Decree shall have effect for thirty days and its validity may be extended until such time as the Central American Tariff and Customs Council takes the appropriate decision.

Article 3. It shall come into Eorce upon publication.
Done at the Office of the President of the Republic, San Jose, on the thirtieth day of September nineteen hundred and eighty-seven.

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