

# GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

## TARIFFS AND TRADE

RESTRICTED

L/6387

2 September 1988

Limited Distribution

---

Original: Spanish

NOTIFICATION IN PURSUANCE OF PARAGRAPH 3 OF THE  
UNDERSTANDING REGARDING NOTIFICATION,  
CONSULTATION, DISPUTE SETTLEMENT  
AND SURVEILLANCE

Communication from Colombia

The following communication, dated 4 August 1988, has been received from the Permanent Mission of Colombia.

---

Pursuant to paragraph 3 of the Understanding Regarding Notification, Consultation, Dispute Settlement and Surveillance, adopted on 28 November 1979, I enclose a copy of Decree No. 728 of 21 April 1988, which introduces some changes in the customs tariff.

It should be noted that the Decree establishes lower rates of duty for most of the headings, while increasing them in other cases, without thereby failing to comply with Colombia's tariff commitments under the General Agreement.

I would request you to bring this Decree to the attention of the other contracting parties.

MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND PUBLIC CREDIT

Decree No. 728 of 21 April 1988

Introducing some changes in the Customs Tariff.

THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF COLOMBIA

In the exercise of the powers conferred upon him by Articles 120:22 and 205 of the Political Constitution, and in the implementation of the provisions of Law No. 6 of 1971, and having received the opinion of the National Customs Policy Council,

DECREES AS FOLLOWS:

ARTICLE 1. The following rates of duty are established for the customs tariff headings specified below:

<u>Heading</u>	<u>Rate %</u>	<u>Heading</u>	<u>Rate %</u>
40100100	30	40100200	30
40110105	20	40110201	30
40110299	30	40118900	20
42040100	20	42040200	20
42040400	20	42048900	20
68120102	30	69020100	15
69020200	15	69030101	20
69030102	20	71140100	15
71148900	15	73070200	5
73130301	15	73130302	10
73130303	15	73130600	20
73152200	15	73152499	15
73152700	20	73152811	20
73152899	20	73180300	15
73180400	20	73300000	25
73370100	25	73379000	25
73400100	35	73400301	35
73400399	35	74010400	5
74010500	5	74030199	15
74040101	15	74040201	15
74040299	20	74040301	15
74040399	20	74080000	25
74100000	30	74110300	15
74190201	25	74190299	25

<u>Heading</u>	<u>Rate %</u>	<u>Heading</u>	<u>Rate %</u>
76080100	30	76080200	30
76090000	30	79030100	15
82010104	20	82010203	20
82020500	25	82041201	25
82041202	25	83020300	25
84030100	25	84060901	5
84069159	20	84070100	20
84078900	20	84079000	20
84090000	15	84109999	20
84110209	30	84110299	30
84110301	30	84119001	20
84130101	25	84130102	25
84130103	25	84130104	25
84138900	25	84150901	25
84150903	25	84150999	25
84150911	15	84158999	25
84160100	5	84179099	20
84180199	25	84190399	20
84199000	20	84200200	35
84210500	25	84220101	20
84220199	20	84220301	20
84220399	30	84220401	5
84220411	20	84228901	20
84220902	20	84229105	20
84229111	25	84238901	20
84238999	5	84240300	20
84280101	15	84280102	15
84280104	20	84300400	5
84300800	20	84320100	20
84330199	20	84339000	20
84349000	15	84350111	20
84359000	20	84390200	15
84400102	15	84400200	25
84400300	25	84400400	25
84429000	20	84449001	15
84470101	20	84470300	20
84470501	20	84470599	20
84480100	20	84480211	5
84480221	5	84480231	20
84480300	5	84480401	20
84480499	20	84490201	15
84500101	25	84510199	15
84520200	25	84520500	25
84548901	15	84560401	20
84569001	20	84590200	20
84591299	5	84598905	25

<u>Heading</u>	<u>Rate %</u>	<u>Heading</u>	<u>Rate %</u>
84598915	15	84611100	15
84618901	15	84630111	20
84630302	20	84650100	20
85010201	25	85010211	25
85010399	15	85010501	25
85010599	25	85019099	25
85020100	15	85028999	20
85049099	25	85050101	30
85050199	30	85098901	5
85110499	5	85119001	20
85130101	30	85130102	30
85130103	30	85130199	30
85130300	30	85191199	25
85191699	25	86030099	15
86050100	30	86058900	30
86070100	30	86070200	25
86090200	25	86090600	25
86098900	25	87060402	15
88010000	15	88020299	15
89010311	20	90060100	15
90070199	15	90100201	15
90100299	15	90109099	15
90208904	15	90260100	25
90260401	30	90260499	25
90280222	25	90280231	20
90280235	15	90280251	20
90280255	15	90280261	20
90280265	20	90280299	15
90290499	15	90290531	20
91048902	15		

ARTICLE 2. The following headings are established in the Customs Tariff for the goods described and with the rates of duty specified below:

<u>Heading</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Rate %</u>
84190201	Vertical filling machinery with a capacity of up to 40 units per minute	30
84190299	Other	5
84190302	Machinery and devices for the vacuum packing of meat and other food products	5
84591202	Machinery for extruding film up to 100 cm. wide with a maximum output of 80 kg. per hour	25

<u>Heading</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Rate %</u>
84591203	Machinery for extruding polyethelene pipe with a maximum output of 40 kg. per hour	25
84591204	Machinery for blow-moulding recipients of low-density polyethelene	25
84591205	Mills for plastic waste with motors of up to 10 hp.	25
85110402	Machinery for filling plastic bags up to 100 cm. wide with a maximum output of 120 operations per minute	30
87060431	Ball joints	25
87060435	Parts for ball joints	5
87060521	Steering shafts	25
87060535	Parts for steering shafts	5

ARTICLE 3. The following Additional Note to Chapter 73 of the Customs Tariff is established:

A duty of 5 per cent ad valorem exists for cold-rolled iron or steel sheets and plates less than 1.5 mm. thick included in Customs Tariff Heading 73.13.03.04 imported for the manufacture of tinned or chromed tinplate. To be entitled to this rate of duty the following requirements must be fulfilled upon importation:

- (a) approval of the Ministry of Economic Development or the body designated by the latter;
- (b) tariff classification issued by the Tariff Division of the Customs Office.

ARTICLE 4. This Decree shall come into force on the date of its publication and replaces Article 2 of Decree 2911 of 1980, the Note referring to the different duty established in Article 5 of Decree 3025 of 1985 for Heading 84.19.02.00, and any other contrary provisions.

FOR PUBLICATION, COMMUNICATION AND IMPLEMENTATION

Done at Bogota, D.C., on 21 April 1988

Luis Fernando Alarcon Mantilla,  
Minister for Finance and Public Credit