

General Notes to the US Tariff Schedule

GENERAL NOTES

TARIFF SCHEDULE OF THE UNITED STATES

1. Relation to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (USHTS). The provisions of this schedule are generally expressed in terms of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States, and the interpretation of the provisions of this schedule, including the product coverage of subheadings of this schedule, shall be governed by the General Notes, Section Notes, and Chapter Notes of the USHTS. To the extent that provisions of this schedule are identical to the corresponding provisions of the USHTS, the provisions of this schedule shall have the same meaning as the corresponding provisions of the USHTS.

2. Base Rates of Customs Duty. The base rates of duty set forth in this schedule reflect the USHTS Column 1 General rates of duty in effect June 8, 2000.

3. Staging. In addition to the staging categories listed in Annex 2.1, paragraph 1, this schedule contains staging categories F, G, H and I.

(a) Originating goods of Jordan provided for on items in staging category F shall retain the base rate of customs duty until January 1, year ten of the Agreement, at which time such goods shall be duty-free.

(b) Rates of duty on originating goods of Jordan provided for on items in staging category G shall be eliminated entirely and such goods shall be duty-free on January 1 of year one. For goods in subheadings 98120020, 98120040, 98130005, 98130010, 98130015, 98130020, 98130025, 98130030, 98130035, 98130040, 98130045, 98130050, 98130055, 98130060, 98130070, 98130075, and 98140050 duty-free means free without bond.

(c) Rates of duty on originating goods of Jordan provided for on items in staging category H shall remain at base rates for the first three years of implementation. Beginning January 1 of year four, rates of duty shall be reduced by five percent; by 10 percent in year five; by 10 percent in year six. Thereafter, the rates of duty shall be reduced in equal annual steps, and the duty on such goods shall be 44.5 percent of the base rate effective January 1 of year ten.

(d) Originating goods of Jordan provided for on items in staging category I shall be subject to the following provisions during the duty elimination period until January 1, year ten of the Agreement, at which time such goods shall be free of duty:

For goods described in subheading 9802.00.60, at the time of entry the duty imposed upon the value of the processing outside the United States to be applied in accordance with the procedures specified in U. S. note 3 of subchapter II, chapter 98, of the HTS, shall be the rate which would apply to the article itself under the staging obligations set forth for the appropriate provision in Chapters 1 to 97 of this schedule.

For goods described in subheading 9802.00.80, at the time of entry the duty imposed upon the assembled article to be applied in accordance with the procedures specified in U. S. note 4 of subchapter II, chapter 98, of the HTS, shall be the rate applicable to the full value of the article itself under the staging obligations set forth for the appropriate provision in Chapters 1 to 97 of this schedule.

ANNEX 1

Notes

1. This annex contains temporary modifications of the provisions of the United States tariff schedule pursuant to this Agreement. Originating goods of Jordan described in the provisions of this Annex are subject to duty at the rate set forth in this Annex in lieu of the rate provided therefor in Chapters 1 through 98. Notwithstanding tariff-rate quota provisions provided for elsewhere in the USHTS, originating goods of Jordan shall be permitted to enter the United States in accordance with the provisions of this Annex. Furthermore, any quantity provided for Jordan on goods described in this Annex shall not be counted toward any tariff-rate quota provided for such goods elsewhere in the USHTS. Originating goods of Jordan imported into the United States also shall not be subject to any of the provisions, duties or limitations of Subchapter IV of Chapter 99 of the USHTS.

2. (a) The aggregate quantity of qualifying goods entered under subheadings listed in 2 (c) shall be entered duty free in any calendar year, and shall not exceed the quantity specified below for that year:

Year Quantity

(kg)

- 1 60,000
- 2 75,000
- 3 94,000
- 4 117,000
- 5 146,000
- 6 183,000
- 7 229,000
- 8 286,000
- 9 358,000
- 10 unlimited

(b) The rates of duty on goods outside the quantities listed in subheading 2(a) would conform with the provisions of Annex 2.1, paragraph 1(d).

(c) The provisions in subheading 2(a) and 2(b) reference headings AG04013025, AG04013075, AG04021050, AG04022125, AG04022150, AG04022190, AG04022950, AG04029170, AG04029190, AG04029945, AG04029955, AG04029990, AG04031050, AG04039016, AG04039045, AG04039055, AG04039065, AG04039078, AG04039095, AG04041015, AG04041090, AG04049050, AG04051020, AG04052030, AG04052070, AG04059020, AG04061008, AG04061018, AG04061028, AG04061038, AG04061048, AG04061058, AG04061068, AG04061078, AG04061088, AG04062028, AG04062033, AG04062039, AG04062048, AG04062053, AG04062063, AG04062067, AG04062071, AG04062075, AG04062079, AG04062083, AG04062087, AG04062091, AG04063018,

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AG04063028, AG04063038, AG04063048, AG04063053, AG04063063, AG04063067, AG04063071, AG04063075, AG04063079, AG04063083, AG04063087, AG04063091, AG04064070, AG04069012, AG04069018, AG04069032, AG04069037, AG04069042, AG04069048, AG04069054, AG04069068, AG04069074, AG04069078, AG04069084, AG04069088, AG04069092, AG04069094, AG04069097, AG15179060, AG18061015, AG18061075, AG18062026, AG18062028, AG18062036, AG18062038, AG18062082, AG18062083, AG18062087, AG18062089, AG18063206, AG18063208, AG18063216, AG18063218, AG18063270, AG18063280, AG18069008, AG18069010, AG18069018, AG18069020, AG18069028, AG18069030, AG19011030, AG19011040, AG19011075, AG19011085, AG19012015, AG19012035, AG19012050, AG19012070, AG19019036, AG19019043, AG19019047, AG21039078, AG21050040, AG21069009, AG21069026, AG21069036, AG21069066, AG21069087, AG22029028, AG23099028, and AG23099048.

3. (a) The aggregate quantity of qualifying goods entered under subheadings listed in 3 (c) shall be entered duty free in any calendar year, shall not exceed the quantity specified below for that year:

Year Quantity

(kg)

- 1 5,000
- 2 5,150
- 3 5,300
- 4 5,450
- 5 5,600
- 6 5,800
- 7 6,000
- 8 6,150
- 9 6,300
- 10 unlimited

(b) The rates of duty on goods outside the quantities listed in subheading 3(a) would conform with the provisions of Annex 2.1, paragraph 1(d).

(c) The provisions in subheading 3(a) and 3(b) reference headings AG17011150, AG17011250, AG17019130, AG17019148, AG17019158, AG17019950, AG17022028, AG17023028, AG17024028, AG17026028, AG17029020, AG17029058, AG17029068, AG17049058, AG17049068, AG17049078, AG18061028, AG18061038, AG18061055, AG18062073, AG18062077, AG18062094, AG18062098, AG18069039, AG18069049, AG18069059, AG19012025, AG19012060, AG19019054, AG19019058, AG21011238, AG21011248, AG21011258, AG21012038, AG21012048, AG21012058, AG21069046, AG21069072, AG21069076, AG21069080, AG21069091, AG21069094, and AG21069097.

4. (a) The aggregate quantity of qualifying goods entered under subheadings listed in 4 (c) shall be entered duty free in any calendar year, shall not exceed the quantity specified below for that year:

Year Quantity

(kg)

1 1,000

2 1,050

3 1,100

4 1,150

5 1,200

6 1,250

7 1,300

8 1,400

9 1,450

10 unlimited

Provided, that peanuts in the shell shall be charged against the above quotas on the basis of 75 kilograms for each 100 kilograms of peanuts in the shell.

(b) The rates of duty on goods outside the quantities listed in subheading 4(a) would conform with the provisions of Annex 2.1, paragraph 1(d).

(c) The provisions in subheading 4(a) and 4(b) refer to headings AG12021080, AG12022080, AG20081115, AG20081135, and AG20081160.

5. (a) The aggregate quantity of qualifying goods entered under subheadings listed in 5 (c) shall be entered duty free in any calendar year, shall not exceed the quantity specified below for that year:

Year Quantity

(kg)

1 1,000

2 1,050

3 1,100

4 1,150

5 1,200

6 1,250

7 1,300

8 1,400

9 1,450

10 unlimited

(b) The rates of duty on goods outside the quantities listed in subheading 5(a) would conform with the provisions of Annex 2.1, paragraph 1(d).

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(c) The provisions in subheading 5(a) and 5(b) refer to headings AG52010018, AG52010028, AG52010038, AG52010080, AG52029930, and AG52030030.

6. (a) The base rate of duty applicable to subheading 5810.91.00 is 3.4% but in the case of embroidery in the piece not less than the rate which would apply to such product if not embroidered. Duty elimination for all products in subheading 5810.91.00 shall occur consistent with the staging code contained in the U. S. schedule for this subheading.

(b) The base rate of duty applicable to subheading 5810.92.10 is 5.9% which shall be eliminated in but in the case of embroidery in the piece not less than the rate which would apply to such product if not embroidered. Duty elimination for all products in subheading 5810.92.10 shall occur consistent with the staging code contained in the U. S. schedule for this subheading.

(c) The base rate of duty applicable to subheading 5810.92.90 is 7.8% but in the case of embroidery in the piece not less than the rate which would apply to such product if not embroidered. Duty elimination for all products in subheading 5810.92.90 shall occur consistent with the staging code contained in the U. S. schedule for this subheading.

(d) The base rate of duty applicable to subheading 5810.99.10 is 7.8% but in the case of embroidery in the piece not less than the rate which would apply to such product if not embroidered. Duty elimination for all products in subheading 5810.99.10 shall occur consistent with the staging code contained in the U. S. schedule for this subheading.

(e) The rate of duty applicable to subheading 5810.99.90 is 5.9% but in the case of embroidery in the piece not less than the rate which would apply to such product if not embroidered. Duty elimination for all products in subheading 5810.99.90 shall occur consistent with the staging code contained in the U. S. schedule for this subheading.