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# Introduction

The Commission instituted this investigation on October 2, 2015,<sup>1</sup> pursuant to section 1205 of the Omnibus Trade and Competitiveness Act of 1988 (19 U.S.C. 3005) (Trade Act of 1988). Section 1205(a) of the Trade Act of 1988 requires the Commission to keep the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (Harmonized Tariff Schedule or HTS) under continuous review and periodically to recommend to the President such modifications in the HTS as the Commission considers necessary or appropriate to conform the HTS with amendments made to the International Convention on the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System (Harmonized System Convention), which contains the Harmonized System nomenclature in the Annex to the Convention.

On June 11, 2015, the World Customs Organization (WCO) approved amendments to the tariff nomenclature of Chapters 3, 44, and 63 of the Harmonized System. The WCO Recommendation is reproduced in Appendix E of this report. Under the Harmonized System Convention, the WCO amendments enter into force on January 1, 2018, and Contracting Parties have committed to implement the amendments by that date. The Commission instituted this investigation in order that it might recommend such modifications as it considers necessary or appropriate to conform the HTS with these amendments to the Harmonized System.

In formulating recommendations under section 1205(a), section 1205(b) of the Trade Act of 1988 requires the Commission to solicit, and give consideration to, the views of interested Federal agencies and the public. To obtain such public views, the Commission is to give notice of “proposed recommendations” and afford reasonable opportunity for interested parties to present their views in writing. The Commission is seeking the written views of interested Federal agencies and the public on the proposed recommendations, which are set forth in Appendix B of this report. To be considered, such written views must be filed with the Secretary to the Commission no later than March 18, 2016. Following the receipt and consideration of the views of interested Federal agencies and the public, the Commission will finalize its recommendations and submit them to the President in July 2016.

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<sup>1</sup> 80 Fed. Reg. 60713 (Oct. 7, 2015), reproduced in Appendix A of this report.

Proposed Commission Recommendations

# Background

## The Harmonized System and the HTS

The United States acceded to the Harmonized System Convention in 1988.<sup>2</sup> The Convention established the Harmonized System (HS), a standardized tariff nomenclature that provides uniform product architecture for the customs tariffs and statistical nomenclatures of all major trading countries of the world, including the United States.<sup>3</sup> The Harmonized System establishes the general arrangement or structure of product categories, set forth in sections, chapters, 4-digit headings, and 6-digit subheadings. It also includes general rules of interpretation, and section and chapter legal notes that define the scope of sections, chapters, 4-digit headings and 6-digit subheadings. All Contracting Parties to the HS Convention follow the HS structure at the 4-digit and 6-digit level, thereby facilitating international trade and the collection of statistics on global trade.

The Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (Harmonized Tariff Schedule or HTS) is based on the Harmonized System nomenclature. In addition, however, the HTS includes national subdivisions (8-digit subheadings and 10-digit statistical reporting numbers), as well as additional U.S. chapter notes, and other national provisions that facilitate the administration of U.S. customs, tariff, and statistical programs.

The Commission's proposed recommendations are contained in Appendix B and are presented at the 8-digit HTS subheading level. Eight-digit subheadings contain the legal tariff nomenclature and rates of duty for purposes of the HTS; they are subordinate to the 4- and 6-digit headings and subheadings that comprise the Harmonized System. Appendix B also contains associated 10-digit statistical reporting numbers for informational purposes.

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<sup>2</sup> See *International Convention on the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System*, done at Brussels on June 14, 1983, and the Protocol thereto, done at Brussels on June 24, 1986 (Harmonized System Convention). The Harmonized System Convention entered into force on January 1, 1988, and it entered into force for the United States on January 1, 1989, under section 1203 of the Trade Act of 1988, in which Congress approved the accession of the United States to the Convention and authorized the President to accept for the United States the final legal instruments embodying the Convention. The Harmonized System Convention is available at [http://www.wcoomd.org/en/topics/nomenclature/instrument-and-tools/hs\\_convention.aspx](http://www.wcoomd.org/en/topics/nomenclature/instrument-and-tools/hs_convention.aspx).

<sup>3</sup> The full name of the Harmonized System is the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System. It was established by the Harmonized System Convention and is set out in the Annex to the Convention. See [http://www.wcoomd.org/en/topics/nomenclature/instrument-and-tools/hs\\_nomenclature\\_2012/hs\\_nomenclature\\_table\\_2012.aspx](http://www.wcoomd.org/en/topics/nomenclature/instrument-and-tools/hs_nomenclature_2012/hs_nomenclature_table_2012.aspx).

## The WCO Role in Maintaining the Harmonized System

The World Customs Organization (WCO)<sup>4</sup> administers and maintains the Harmonized System (HS) and has completed five systematic reviews of the Harmonized System nomenclature since 1988 when the Harmonized System nomenclature was established. The reviews are conducted to ensure that the Harmonized System is kept up-to-date in light of changes in technology or patterns of international trade. As part of the review process, the WCO also considers proposed amendments to the Harmonized System that may facilitate the monitoring and enforcement of international agreements, including, but not limited to, those relating to chemical and biological weapons, hazardous chemicals, ozone depleting chemicals, hazardous waste, and endangered species.

The Fifth Review Cycle of the Harmonized System concluded in June 2014 when the WCO approved recommended amendments to the Harmonized System nomenclature in the WCO Recommendation of June 27, 2014.<sup>5</sup> Under the Harmonized System Convention, such amendments enter into force on January 1, 2017. In USITC Inv. No. 1205-11 (July 2015), the Commission recommended modifications in the HTS to the President to conform the HTS with the amendments to the Harmonized System.<sup>6</sup>

Following the approval of the recommended amendments to the Harmonized System in June 2014, the WCO determined that there were certain necessary corrections to the WCO Recommendation of June 27, 2014. The necessary corrections related to Chapters 3 and 63 of the Harmonized System. In addition, the WCO discovered that certain amendments to Chapter 44 of the Harmonized System had been inadvertently omitted from the WCO Recommendation of June 27, 2014. The necessary corrections to HS Chapters 3 and 63 and the additional amendments to HS Chapter 44 were approved by the WCO in the Recommendation of June 11, 2015.

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<sup>4</sup> It should be noted that, while section 1205 of the Trade Act of 1988 refers to the Customs Cooperation Council (CCC), the CCC adopted “World Customs Organization” as a working name in 1994.

<sup>5</sup> See the Recommendation of 27 June 2014 of the Customs Cooperation Council Concerning the Amendment of the Nomenclature Appended as an Annex to the Convention, available at [http://www.wcoomd.org/en/media/newsroom/2014/july/~/\\_media/WCO/Public/Global/PDF/Media/Newsroom/Press/2014/HS%202017%20RECOMMENDED%20AMENDMENTS.ashx](http://www.wcoomd.org/en/media/newsroom/2014/july/~/_media/WCO/Public/Global/PDF/Media/Newsroom/Press/2014/HS%202017%20RECOMMENDED%20AMENDMENTS.ashx).

<sup>6</sup> See *USITC, Recommended Modifications in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule to Conform with Amendments to the Harmonized System Recommended by the World Customs Organization, and to Address Other Matters*, Inv. No. 1205-11, Pub. 4556 (July 2015).

## Commission Recommendations under Section 1205

Section 1205(a) of the Trade Act of 1988 provides:

“The Commission shall keep the Harmonized Tariff Schedule under continuous review and periodically, at such times as amendments to the [Harmonized System] Convention are recommended by the [World Customs Organization] for adoption, and as other circumstances warrant, shall recommend to the President such modifications in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule as the Commission considers necessary or appropriate -

- (1) to conform the Harmonized Tariff Schedule with amendments made to the Convention;
- (2) to promote the uniform application of the Convention, and particularly the Annex thereto;
- (3) to ensure that the Harmonized Tariff Schedule is kept up-to-date in light of changes in technology or in patterns of international trade;
- (4) to alleviate unnecessary administrative burdens; and
- (5) to make technical rectifications.”<sup>7</sup>

Section 1205(d) of the Trade Act of 1988 sets out certain limitations on the modifications in the HTS that the Commission is authorized to recommend:

“The Commission may not recommend any modification to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule unless the modification meets the following requirements:

- (1) The modification must –
  - (A) be consistent with the [Harmonized System] Convention or any amendment thereto recommended for adoption;
  - (B) be consistent with sound nomenclature principles; and
  - (C) ensure substantial rate neutrality.
- (2) Any change to a rate of duty must be consequent to, or necessitated by, nomenclature modifications that are recommended under this section.
- (3) The modification must not alter existing conditions of competition for the affected United States industry, labor, or trade.”

Section 1205(b) of the Trade Act of 1988 requires that the Commission, in formulating its recommendations, solicit and give consideration to the views of interested Federal agencies and

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<sup>7</sup> Section 1202(6) of the Trade Act of 1988 defines the term “technical rectifications” to mean:

“rectifications of an editorial character or minor technical or clerical changes which do not affect the substance or meaning of the text, such as—  
errors in spelling, numbering, or punctuation;  
errors in indentation;  
errors (including inadvertent omissions) in cross-references to headings or subheadings or notes; and  
other clerical or typographical errors.”

the public. In order to obtain such public views, the Commission must provide notice of proposed recommendations and afford reasonable opportunity for interested parties to present their views in writing. The Commission is also authorized, but not required, to provide for a public hearing.<sup>8</sup>

Section 1205(c) of the Trade Act of 1988 provides:

“The Commission shall submit recommendations under this section to the President in the form of a report that shall include a summary of the information on which the recommendations were based, together with a statement of the probable economic effect of each recommended change on any industry in the United States. The report also shall include a copy of all written views submitted by interested Federal agencies and a copy or summary, prepared by the Commission, of the views of all other interested parties.”

## Executive Authority under Section 1206

Section 1206(a) of the Trade Act of 1988 authorizes the President to proclaim modifications to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule, based on the recommendations by the Commission under section 1205, if the President determines that the modifications are in conformity with U.S. obligations under the Harmonized System Convention and do not run counter to the national economic interest of the United States.

Section 1206(b) of the Trade Act of 1988 provides that a modification may be proclaimed only after the expiration of a 60-day layover period that begins on the date the President submits a report to the Committee on Ways and Means of the House of Representatives and to the Committee on Finance of the Senate.<sup>9</sup> The President’s report must set forth the proposed modifications and the reasons for making them. The President has delegated the responsibility to notify the Congressional Committees under section 1206(b) of the Trade Act of 1988 to the United States Trade Representative (USTR).<sup>10</sup>

Under section 1206(c) of the Trade Act of 1988, modifications to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule that are proclaimed by the President cannot become effective before the 30th day after the implementing proclamation is published in the *Federal Register*.

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<sup>8</sup> For this investigation, the Commission decided not to hold a hearing. However, the Commission notified several Federal agencies that may have a particular interest in the investigation.

<sup>9</sup> It should be noted that the 60-day layover period is not 60 calendar days; it is defined as 60 days when the Congress is in session. See section 1206(b)(2) of the Trade Act of 1988 (19 U.S.C. 3006(b)(2)), which provides that the 60-day period shall be computed by excluding the days on which either House is not in session because of an adjournment and any Saturday or Sunday when either House is not in session.

<sup>10</sup> See Memoranda of the President, 56 Fed. Reg. 65413 (Dec. 12, 1991).

## Methodology

In preparing its recommended modifications in the HTS, the Commission considered: (1) the text of each WCO amendment to the Harmonized System (HS); (2) whether the amendment broadens or narrows the scope of a 4-digit HS heading or a 6-digit HS subheading; (3) whether the amendment simply provides for a product specifically by name, thereby removing it from a basket category; (4) whether the amendment transfers products from one HS heading or subheading to another HS heading or subheading; and (5) whether the amendment transfers products from one HS chapter to another HS chapter.

The review involved a careful reading and analysis of each amendment, a review of the existing HS nomenclature, and a review of the section and chapter legal notes in the HS that may govern the classification of the products. In addition, the Commission consulted the Explanatory Notes that contain the official WCO guidelines to the product coverage of headings and subheadings in the Harmonized System.<sup>11</sup> Although the HS Explanatory Notes are not legally binding on Contracting Parties to the HS Convention, they are nonetheless useful in understanding the scope of headings and subheadings in the Harmonized System.<sup>12</sup>

In addition to reviewing the text of the HS amendments and the HS itself, the Commission reviewed the Harmonized Tariff Schedule as well, to examine how the HS amendment might affect the HTS. The review process involved an analysis of the relevant 8-digit subheadings in the HTS, as well as any applicable additional U.S. notes or classification decisions by U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP). The Commission consulted with CBP and obtained views that were taken into consideration, along with other comments, in the preparation of this report.

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<sup>11</sup> See WCO, *Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System, Explanatory Notes* (5<sup>th</sup> edition, 2012).

<sup>12</sup> See H.R. Rep. No. 100-576, at 549 (1988) (Conf. Rep.) and T.D. 89-80, 54 Fed. Reg. 35127 (Aug. 23, 1989).

## Proposed Commission Recommendations

# Proposed Recommendations Relating to WCO HS Amendments

As noted above, the WCO Council Recommendation of June 11, 2015, made two types of amendments to the Harmonized System nomenclature:

- (1) it made consequential amendments to the HS nomenclature in order to make necessary corrections to certain subheadings of headings 0302 and 0303, Subheading Note 1 to Chapter 63 and subheading 6304.20, with these amendments to become effective as of January 1, 2017; and
- (2) it made further amendments to the nomenclature of heading 4401 and certain subheadings of Chapter 44 that were inadvertently omitted from the Council Recommendation of June 27, 2014, with these amendments to become effective as of January 1, 2018.

The Commission had identified the need for the first group of necessary corrections while preparing the recommended modifications in the HTS that were submitted to the President in USITC Inv. No. 1205-11 (July 2015)<sup>13</sup> and before the WCO Council approved the Recommendation of June 11, 2015. The Commission included the necessary corrections in its report to the President in USITC Inv. No. 1205-11 (July 2015). However, because the Commission was unaware of the need for the necessary corrections when it issued its notice of investigation for USITC Inv. No. 1205-11 (July 2015) on August 20, 2014,<sup>14</sup> the Commission did not invite interested Federal agencies and the public to comment on them. The Commission's recommended modifications in the HTS relating to those necessary corrections are set out in Appendix F. They are the same in substance as those contained in the WCO Recommendation of June 11, 2015, and the same as included in the Commission's report to the President in USITC Inv. No. 1205-11 (July 2015). The Commission is now inviting interested Federal agencies and the public to comment on the necessary corrections to Chapters 3 and 63. In the view of the Commission, the necessary corrections improve the clarity of the amended tariff nomenclature and do not alter the scope or substance of the amendments in the WCO Recommendation of June 27, 2014.

The second group of amendments should have been included in the WCO Recommendation of June 27, 2014, but were inadvertently omitted. The further amendments to Chapter 44 introduce

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<sup>13</sup> See *USITC, Recommended Modifications in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule to Conform with Amendments to the Harmonized System Recommended by the World Customs Organization, and to Address Other Matters*, Inv. No. 1205-11, Pub. 4556 (July 2015).

<sup>14</sup> 79 Fed. Reg. 50943 (Aug. 26, 2014).

new subdivisions for coniferous and non-coniferous wood and new HS subheadings for certain wood of pine, fir, spruce, birch, poplar, aspen, and eucalyptus. The Recommendation of June 11, 2015 amends various subheadings of headings 4401, 4403, 4406, 4407, and 4412 to create the new subdivisions. The proposed recommendations in Appendix B would make corresponding conforming modifications in Chapter 44 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule with respect to the same wood products that are addressed by the WCO Recommendation.

Appendix B contains conforming modifications to the HTS nomenclature, including modifications of article descriptions, and HTS heading and subheading numbers. Some proposed recommendations in Appendix B would modify section notes, chapter notes, additional U.S. notes, and the general notes to the HTS. Some proposed recommendations in Appendix B would delete existing HTS headings or subheadings, and insert new headings and subheadings in lieu thereof. In cases in which a modification in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule would indirectly alter the scope of an existing HTS subheading without modifying its article description, the subheading is renumbered to indicate that its scope has been changed.

Appendix B contains the rates of duty as they appear in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule: (1) the column 1 general, or normal trade relations (NTR), rate of duty;<sup>15</sup> (2) the column 1 special rates of duty for preferential tariff treatment under tariff preference programs or free trade agreements; and, (3) the column 2 rates of duty. Any proposed new HTS subheading in Appendix B contains the current applied NTR rate of duty that applies to the product or product groups, thereby maintaining existing tariff treatment. In other words, Appendix B contains modifications in tariff nomenclature and heading and subheading numbers of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule, but it does not change the applicable NTR rates of duty or the special rates. As a result, the proposed recommendations in Appendix B meet the statutory goal of ensuring substantial rate neutrality (section 1205(d)(I)(C) of the Trade Act of 1988).

The column 1 special rates of duty in Appendix B are the rates of duty that are scheduled to be in effect as of January 1, 2018, the date that the WCO-approved amendments to the HS are to enter into force. They reflect the staged rate reductions that would be in effect under U.S. bilateral free trade agreements as of January 1, 2018. Therefore, they do not reflect the current applied rate of duty.

Finally, in proposing these modifications, the Commission considered the requirements of section 1205(d) of the Trade Act of 1988. On the basis of the information available to the Commission at this time, the Commission concluded that the modifications are consistent with the Convention, consistent with sound nomenclature principles, and ensure substantial rate neutrality.

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<sup>15</sup> The NTR (normal trade relations) rate of duty is known under international law as “most-favored-nation” treatment, or MFN. See Article 1 of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

Particularly in light of the rate neutrality of such modifications, the Commission is unaware of any evidence that the proposed recommendations would alter existing conditions of competition for the affected U.S. industry, labor, or trade.

The Commission invites interested Federal agencies and the public to provide their views in writing with regard to the proposed recommendations and whether they meet the requirements of section 1205 of the Trade Act of 1988, and in particular section 1205(d).

## Proposed Commission Recommendations

# Probable Economic Effect of Proposed Recommendations

Section 1205(c) of the Trade Act of 1988 requires the Commission to include in its report a statement of the probable economic effect of each recommended change on any industry in the United States. The Commission concluded that the proposed recommendations, if adopted, will have little or no economic effect on any industry in the United States as described in more detail in this section.

The Commission examined each of its proposed recommendations in terms of the requirements of section 1205(d) of the Trade Act of 1988. Section 1205(d) provides that the Commission may not recommend any modification to the HTS unless: (1) the modification is consistent with the Harmonized System Convention or any amendment thereto recommended for adoption, consistent with sound nomenclature principles, and ensures substantial rate neutrality; (2) any change to a rate of duty is consequent to, or necessitated by, nomenclature modifications that are recommended under section 1205; and (3) the modification does not alter existing conditions of competition for the affected U.S. industry, labor, or trade.

The Commission concluded that the proposed recommendations meet all of these requirements. They are consistent with the WCO Recommendation of June 11, 2015; as such, they are consistent with sound nomenclature principles; and they do not change any rates of duty and are accordingly rate neutral. Because the proposed recommendations do not change a rate of duty, they are not likely to alter existing conditions of competition for any affected U.S. industry, labor, or trade.

## Probable Economic Effect of Recommended Modifications

## **Appendix A**

# ***Federal Register* Notice Announcing the Institution of Investigation No. 1205-12**

**INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION**

[Investigation No. 1205–12]

**Commission Recommendations to the President to Modify the Tariff Nomenclature in Chapters 3, 44, and 63 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule**

**AGENCY:** United States International Trade Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of institution of investigation.

**SUMMARY:** Following adoption by the World Customs Organization (WCO) of certain recommended modifications to the Harmonized System on June 11, 2015, the Commission has instituted investigation No. 1205–12, *Commission Recommendations to the President to Modify the Tariff Nomenclature in Chapters 3, 44, and 63 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule*, pursuant to section 1205 of the Omnibus Trade and Competitiveness Act of 1988 (the 1988 Act) (19 U.S.C. 3005).

The WCO recommendation calls upon the Contracting Parties to the International Convention on the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System (Convention) to amend their tariff nomenclature to make certain corrections to Chapters 3 and 63, and to make further amendments to their nomenclature relating to Chapter 44 that were inadvertently omitted from the Council Recommendation of June 27, 2014. The amendments to Chapters 3 and 63 are expected to enter into force on January 1, 2017, and the amendments to Chapter 44, on January 1, 2018. The amendments to Chapters 3 and 63 relate to the text of certain subheadings of headings 03.01 and 03.03 (certain fish), and Subheading Note 1 to Chapter 63 and subheading 6304.20 (certain textiles). The amendments to Chapter 44 relate to several subheadings for certain wood and wood products.

**DATES:**

*October 7, 2015:* Posting of the WCO’s Recommendation of June 11, 2015, on the Commission Web site.

*February 12, 2016:* Posting of the Commission’s proposed recommendations on the Commission’s Web site.

*March 18, 2016:* Deadline for interested Federal agencies and the public to file written views on the Commission’s proposed recommendations.

*July 22, 2016:* Transmittal of the Commission’s report to the President.

**ADDRESSES:** All Commission offices, including the Commission’s hearing rooms, are located in the United States International Trade Commission

Building, 500 E Street SW., Washington, DC. All written submissions should be addressed to the Secretary, United States International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW., Washington, DC 20436. The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission’s electronic docket (EDIS) at <http://www.usitc.gov/secretary/edis.htm>.

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*Background:* Section 1205(a) of the 1988 Act requires that the Commission keep the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (Harmonized Tariff Schedule or HTS) under continuous review and periodically recommend to the President such modifications in the HTS as the Commission considers necessary or appropriate, including to conform the HTS with amendments made to the International Convention on the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System (Convention), which contains the Harmonized System nomenclature in the Annex to the Convention.

The Harmonized System nomenclature provides uniform product architecture for the customs tariffs and statistical nomenclatures of all major trading countries of the world, including the United States. The Harmonized System establishes the general arrangement or structure of product categories, set forth in chapters, 4-digit headings and 6-digit subheadings. It also includes the general rules of interpretation, and section and chapter legal notes that define the scope of sections, chapters, 4-digit headings and 6-digit subheadings. The Harmonized Tariff Schedule is based on the Harmonized System nomenclature. In addition, however, the HTS includes national subdivisions (8-digit subheadings and 10-digit statistical annotations), as well as additional U.S. chapter notes, and other national provisions

that facilitate the administration of U.S. customs, tariff and statistical programs.

The Commission will recommend such modifications in the HTS as it considers necessary or appropriate to conform the HTS with amendments recommended in the WCO Council Recommendation of June 11, 2015. In that recommendation the WCO Council recommended that the Contracting Parties to the Convention amend their tariff nomenclature to make certain corrections that were inadvertently omitted from the Council Recommendation of June 27, 2014. The amendments to Chapters 3 and 63 relate to the text of certain subheadings of headings 03.02 and 03.03 (certain fish), and Subheading Note 1 to Chapter 63 and subheading 6304.20 (certain textiles); and the amendments to Chapter 44 relate to several subheadings for certain wood and wood products. The amendments to Chapters 3 and 63 are expected to enter into force on January 1, 2017, and the amendments to Chapter 44, on January 1, 2018.

The Commission expects to transmit its report to the President containing its recommendations in July 2016. The Commission’s report will include, in addition to its recommendations, a summary of the information on which the recommendations were based, a statement of the probable economic effect of each recommended change on any industry in the United States, a copy of all written views submitted by interested Federal agencies, and a copy or summary of the views of all other interested parties.

*Proposed Recommendations, Opportunity To Comment:* Before making recommendations to the President, the Commission will provide notice of its “proposed recommendations” and will afford opportunity for interested Federal agencies and the public to present their views in writing on those proposed recommendations in accordance with the procedures in the following paragraphs. The Commission expects to post those proposed recommendations on its Web site by February 12, 2016.

*Written Submissions:* Following publication of the Commission’s “proposed recommendations,” all interested parties, including interested Federal agencies, are invited to file written submissions concerning the recommendations the Commission should make to the President. All such written submissions should be addressed to the Secretary, and should be received not later than 5:15 p.m., March 18, 2016. All written submissions must conform with the provisions of section 201.8 of the Commission’s Rules of

Practice and Procedure (19 CFR 201.8). Section 201.8 and the Commission's Handbook on Filing Procedures require that interested parties file documents electronically on or before the filing deadline and submit eight (8) true paper copies by 12:00 p.m. eastern time on the next business day. In the event that confidential treatment of a document is requested, interested parties must file, at the same time as the eight paper copies, at least four (4) additional true paper copies in which the confidential information must be deleted (see the following paragraph for further information regarding confidential business information). Persons with questions regarding electronic filing should contact the Office of the Secretary (202-205-2000).

Any submissions that contain confidential business information (CBI) must also conform with the requirements of section 201.6 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR 201.6). Section 201.6 of the rules requires that the cover of the document and the individual pages be clearly marked as to whether they are the "confidential" or "non-confidential" version, and that the confidential business information be clearly identified by means of brackets. All written submissions, except for confidential business information, will be made available for inspection by interested parties. The Commission may include some or all of the confidential business information submitted in the course of this investigation in the report it sends to the USTR. The Commission will not otherwise publish any confidential business information in a manner that would reveal the operations of the firm supplying the information.

By order of the Commission.

Issued: October 2, 2015.

**William R. Bishop,**  
*Supervisory Information and Hearings  
Officer.*

## Proposed Commission Recommendations

# **Appendix B**

## **Proposed Recommendations to Modify the Harmonized Tariff Schedule**

## Proposed Commission Recommendations

Chapter 44

44-1. Subheading 4401.10.00 is deleted and the following new subheadings are inserted in lieu thereof:

Heading/ Subheading	Stat Suffix	Article description	Rates of Duty		
			1		2
			General	Special	
[4401		Fuel wood, in logs, in billets, in twigs, in faggots or in similar forms; ...:]			
		"Fuel wood, in logs, in billets, in twigs, in faggots or in similar forms:			
4401.11.00	00	Coniferous .....	Free		20%
4401.12.00	00	Nonconiferous.....	Free		20%".

44-2. (a) The superior subheading immediately preceding subheading 4401.31.00 is deleted and the following new superior subheading is inserted in lieu thereof:

"Sawdust and wood waste and scrap, agglomerated in logs, briquettes, pellets or similar forms:".

(b) Subheading 4401.39.40 is renumbered as 4401.39.41.

44-3. New subheading 4401.40.00 is inserted in numerical order:

Heading/ Subheading	Stat Suffix	Article description	Rates of Duty		
			1		2
			General	Special	
[4401		Fuel wood, in logs, in billets, in twigs, in faggots or in similar forms; ...:]			
"4401.40.00		Sawdust and wood waste and scrap, not agglomerated .....	Free		Free".
	10	Sawdust.....			
	20	Shavings.....			
	90	Other .....			

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44-4. Subheadings 4403.10.00 and 4403.20.00 are deleted and the following new subheadings are inserted in lieu thereof:

Heading/ Subheading	Stat Suffix	Article description	Rates of Duty		
			1		2
			General	Special	
[4403		Wood in the rough, whether or not stripped of bark or sapwood, or roughly squared:] "Treated with paint, stains, creosote or other preservatives:			
4403.11.00		Coniferous .....	Free		Free
	20	Poles, piles, and posts: Telephone, telegraph and electrical power poles.....			
	40	Fence posts.....			
	50	Other .....			
	60	Other .....			
4403.12.00		Nonconiferous.....	Free		Free
	20	Poles, piles, and posts: Telephone, telegraph and electrical power poles.....			
	40	Fence posts.....			
	50	Other .....			
	60	Other .....			
4403.21.00		Other, coniferous: Of pine ( <u>Pinus</u> spp.), of which any cross-sectional dimension is 15 cm or more .....	Free		Free
	12	Poles, piles, and posts: Telephone, telegraph and electrical power poles.....			
	15	Fence posts.....			
	16	Other .....			
	20	Logs and timber: Southern yellow pine (Loblolly pine ( <u>Pinus taeda</u> )), long leaf pine ( <u>Pinus palustris</u> ), pitch pine ( <u>Pinus rigida</u> ), short leaf pine ( <u>Pinus echinata</u> ), slash pine ( <u>Pinus elliottii</u> ) and Virginia pine ( <u>Pinus virginiana</u> ) .....			
	25	Ponderosa pine ( <u>Pinus ponderosa</u> ) .....			
	30	Other .....			
	65	Other .....			
4403.22.00		Of pine ( <u>Pinus</u> spp.), other .....	Free		Free
	08	Pulpwood .....			
	12	Poles, piles, and posts: Telephone, telegraph and electrical power poles.....			
	15	Fence posts.....			

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Heading/ Subheading	Stat Suffix	Article description	Rates of Duty		
			1		2
			General	Special	
[4403		Wood in the rough, whether or not stripped of bark or sapwood, or roughly squared:			
4403.22.00		Other, coniferous:			
	16	Of pine ( <u>Pinus</u> spp.), other:			
		Poles, piles, and posts:]			
		"Other....."			
	20	Logs and timber:			
		Southern yellow pine (Loblolly pine ( <u>Pinus taeda</u> )), long leaf pine ( <u>Pinus palustris</u> ), pitch pine ( <u>Pinus rigida</u> ), short leaf pine ( <u>Pinus echinata</u> ), slash pine ( <u>Pinus elliotii</u> ) and Virginia pine ( <u>Pinus virginiana</u> ) .....			
	25	Ponderosa pine ( <u>Pinus ponderosa</u> )			
	30	Other .....			
	65	Other .....			
4403.23.00		Of fir ( <u>Abies</u> spp.) and spruce ( <u>Picea</u> spp.), of which any cross-sectional dimension is 15 cm or more.....	Free		Free
	12	Poles, piles, and posts:			
		Telephone, telegraph and electrical power poles.....			
	15	Fence posts.....			
	16	Other .....			
	35	Logs and timber:			
		Spruce ( <u>Picea</u> spp.) .....			
	42	Other fir; balsam .....			
	65	Other .....			
4403.24.00		Of fir ( <u>Abies</u> spp.) and spruce ( <u>Picea</u> spp.), other.....	Free		Free
	04	Pulpwood .....			
	12	Poles, piles, and posts:			
		Telephone, telegraph and electrical power poles.....			
	15	Fence posts.....			
	16	Other .....			
	35	Logs and timber:			
		Spruce ( <u>Picea</u> spp.) .....			
	42	Other fir; balsam .....			
	65	Other .....			
4403.25.00		Other, of which any cross-sectional dimension is 15 cm or more.....	Free		Free
	12	Poles, piles, and posts:			
		Telephone, telegraph and electrical power poles.....			

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Heading/ Subheading	Stat Suffix	Article description	Rates of Duty		
			1		2
			General	Special	
[4403		Wood in the rough, whether or not stripped of bark or sapwood, or roughly squared:			
		Other, coniferous:			
		Other, of which any cross-sectional dimension is 15 cm or more:			
		Poles, piles, and posts:]			
	15	Fence posts.....			
	16	Other .....			
		Logs and timber:			
	40	Douglas-fir ( <u>Pseudotsuga menziesii</u> ) .....			
	50	Western hemlock ( <u>Tsugo meterophylla</u> ) .....			
	52	Other hemlock.....			
	55	Western red cedar ( <u>Thuja plicata</u> ) .			
	57	Other cedar .....			
	64	Other .....			
	65	Other .....			
		Other .....			
4403.26.00		Other .....	Free		Free".
	08	Pulpwood .....			
		Poles, piles, and posts:			
	12	Telephone, telegraph and electrical power poles.....			
	15	Fence posts.....			
	16	Other .....			
		Logs and timber:			
	40	Douglas-fir ( <u>Pseudotsuga menziesii</u> ) .....			
	50	Western hemlock ( <u>Tsugo meterophylla</u> ) .....			
	52	Other hemlock.....			
	55	Western red cedar ( <u>Thuja plicata</u> ) .			
	57	Other cedar .....			
	64	Other .....			
	65	Other .....			

44-5. (a) Subheading 4403.92.00 is deleted and the following new subheadings are inserted in lieu thereof:

Heading/ Subheading	Stat Suffix	Article description	Rates of Duty		
			1		2
			General	Special	
[4403		Wood in the rough, whether or not stripped of bark or sapwood, or roughly squared: Other:]			
"4403.93.00	00	Of beech ( <u>Fagus</u> spp.), of which any cross-sectional dimension is 15 cm or more .....	Free		Free
4403.94.00	00	Of beech ( <u>Fagus</u> spp.), other .....	Free		Free
4403.95.00		Of birch ( <u>Betula</u> spp.), of which any cross-sectional dimension is 15 cm or more .....	Free		Free
	27	Poles, piles and posts .....			
	30	Other .....			
4403.96.00		Of birch ( <u>Betula</u> spp.), other .....	Free		Free
	24	Pulpwood .....			
	27	Poles, piles, and posts .....			
	30	Other .....			
4403.97.00		Of poplar and aspen ( <u>Populus</u> spp.) .....	Free		Free
	22	Pulpwood .....			
	26	Poles, piles, and posts .....			
		Other:			
	65	Of yellow poplar ( <u>Liriodendron tulipifera</u> ) .....			
	67	Of other poplar; of aspen or cottonwood .....			
4403.98.00		Of eucalyptus ( <u>Eucalyptus</u> spp.) .....	Free		Free".
	24	Pulpwood .....			
	29	Poles, piles, and posts .....			
	91	Other .....			

(b) Subheading 4403.99.00 is renumbered as 4403.99.01.

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44-6. Subheadings 4406.10.00 and 4406.90.00 are deleted and the following new subheadings are inserted in lieu thereof:

Heading/ Subheading	Stat Suffix	Article description	Rates of Duty		
			1		2
			General	Special	
[4406		Railway or tramway sleepers (cross-ties) of wood:]			
		"Not impregnated:			
4406.11.00	00	Coniferous .....	Free		Free
4406.12.00	00	Nonconiferous.....	Free		Free
		Other:			
4406.91.00	00	Coniferous .....	Free		Free
4406.92.00	00	Nonconiferous.....	Free		Free".

44-7. Subheading 4407.10.01 is deleted and the following new subheadings are inserted in lieu thereof:

Heading/ Subheading	Stat Suffix	Article description	Rates of Duty		
			1		2
			General	Special	
[4407		Wood sawn or chipped lengthwise, sliced or peeled, whether or not planed, sanded or end-jointed, of a thickness exceeding 6 mm:]			
		"Coniferous:			
4407.11.00	01	Of pine ( <u>Pinus</u> spp.) .....	Free		\$1.70/ m <sup>3</sup>
		Finger-jointed.....			
	02	Other:			
		Treated with paint, stain, creosote or other preservative .....			
		Not treated:			
	15	Mixtures of spruce, pine, and fir ("S-P-F") .....			
		Other:			
		Eastern white pine ( <u>Pinus Strobus</u> ) and red pine ( <u>Pinus resinosa</u> ):			
	42	Rough.....			
	43	Other .....			
		Lodgepole pine ( <u>Pinus contorta</u> ):			
	44	Rough.....			
	45	Other .....			

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Heading/ Subheading	Stat Suffix	Article description	Rates of Duty		
			1		2
			General	Special	
[4407		Wood sawn or chipped lengthwise, sliced or peeled, whether or not planed, sanded or end-jointed, of a thickness exceeding 6 mm:			
		Coniferous:			
	4407.11.00	Of pine ( <u>Pinus</u> spp.) .....			
		Other:			
		Not treated:			
		Other:]			
		“Southern yellow pine (Loblolly pine ( <u>Pinus taeda</u> )), long leaf pine ( <u>Pinus palustris</u> ), pitch pine ( <u>Pinus rigida</u> ), short leaf pine ( <u>Pinus echinata</u> ), slash pine ( <u>Pinus elliottii</u> ) and Virginia pine ( <u>Pinus virginiana</u> ):			
	46	Rough.....			
	47	Other .....			
		Ponderosa pine ( <u>Pinus ponderosa</u> ):			
	48	Rough.....			
	49	Other .....			
		Other pine:			
	52	Rough.....			
	53	Other .....			
	4407.12.00	Of fir ( <u>Abies</u> spp.) and spruce ( <u>Picea</u> spp.) ....	Free		\$1.70/ m <sup>3</sup>
	01	Finger-jointed.....			
		Other:			
	02	Treated with paint, stain, creosote or other preservative .....			
		Not treated:			
	15	Mixtures of spruce, pine, and fir ("S-P-F") .....			
		Other:			
		Sitka spruce ( <u>Picea sitchensis</u> ):			
	17	Rough.....			
	18	Other .....			
		Other spruce:			
	19	Rough.....			
	20	Other .....			
		Fir ( <u>Abies</u> spp.):			
	58	Rough.....			
	59	Other .....			

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Heading/ Subheading	Stat Suffix	Article description	Rates of Duty		
			1		2
			General	Special	
[4407		Wood sawn or chipped lengthwise, sliced or peeled, whether or not planed, sanded or end-jointed, of a thickness exceeding 6 mm:			
"4407.19.00		Coniferous:]			
	01	Other .....	Free		\$1.70/m <sup>3</sup> ".
		Finger-jointed.....			
		Other:			
	02	Treated with paint, stain, creosote or other preservative .....			
		Not treated:			
	16	Mixtures of western hemlock and amabilis fir ("hem-fir") .....			
		Other:			
		Douglas-fir ( <u>Pseudotsuga menziesii</u> ):			
		Rough:			
	54	Having a minimum dimension less than 5.1 cm.....			
		Having a minimum dimension 5.1 cm or more but less than 12.7 cm			
	55	Having a minimum dimension 12.7 cm or more .....			
		Other: .....			
	56	Hemlock ( <u>Tsuga</u> spp.):			
		Rough.....			
	57	Other .....			
		Larch ( <u>Larix</u> spp.):			
	64	Rough.....			
	65	Other .....			
		Western red cedar:			
	66	Rough.....			
	67	Other .....			
		Yellow cedar ( <u>Chamaecyparis nootkanensis</u> ):			
	74	Rough.....			
	75	Other .....			



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(b) Subheading 4407.99.01 is renumbered as 4407.99.02.

44-9. (a) Subheadings 4412.32 through 4412.32.56 are deleted and the following new subheadings are inserted in lieu thereof:

Heading/ Subheading	Stat Suffix	Article description	Rates of Duty		
			1		2
			General	Special	
[4412		Plywood, veneered panels and similar laminated wood:			
"4412.33		Other plywood consisting solely of sheets of wood (other than bamboo), each ply not exceeding 6 mm in thickness:]			
		Other, with at least one outer ply of nonconiferous wood of the species alder ( <i>Alnus</i> spp.), ash ( <i>Fraxinus</i> spp.), beech ( <i>Fagus</i> spp.), birch ( <i>Betula</i> spp.), cherry ( <i>Prunus</i> spp.), chestnut ( <i>Castanea</i> spp.), elm ( <i>Ulmus</i> spp.), eucalyptus ( <i>Eucalyptus</i> spp.), hickory ( <i>Carya</i> spp.), horse chestnut ( <i>Aesculus</i> spp.), lime ( <i>Tilia</i> spp.), maple ( <i>Acer</i> spp.), oak ( <i>Quercus</i> spp.), plane tree ( <i>Platanus</i> spp.), poplar and aspen ( <i>Populus</i> spp.), robinia ( <i>Robinia</i> spp.), tulipwood ( <i>Liriodendron</i> spp.) or walnut ( <i>Juglans</i> spp.):			
		Not surface covered, or surface covered with a clear or transparent material which does not obscure the grain, texture or markings of the face ply:			
4412.33.05		With a face ply of birch ( <i>Betula</i> spp.) .....	Free		50%
	20	Panels not exceeding in any dimension 3.6 mm in thickness, 1.2 m in width and 2.2 m in length .....			
		Other:			
	40	Not surface covered .....			
		Other:			
	65	Wood flooring.....			
	70	Other .....			
4412.33.25		With a face ply of walnut ( <i>Juglans</i> spp.) .....	5.1%	Free (A*,AU,BH, CA,CL,CO,E,IL, JO,MA,MX, OM,P, PA,PE, SG) 1.5% (KR)	40%
	25	Wood flooring.....			
	30	Other.....			

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Heading/ Subheading	Stat Suffix	Article description	Rates of Duty		
			1		2
			General	Special	
[4412		Plywood, veneered panels and similar laminated wood:			
4412.33		Other plywood consisting solely of sheets of wood (other than bamboo), each ply not exceeding 6 mm in thickness:			
		Other, with at least one outer ply of nonconiferous wood of the species alder ( <i>Alnus</i> spp.), ash ( <i>Fraxinus</i> spp.), beech ( <i>Fagus</i> spp.), birch ( <i>Betula</i> spp.), cherry ( <i>Prunus</i> spp.), chestnut ( <i>Castanea</i> spp.), elm ( <i>Ulmus</i> spp.), eucalyptus ( <i>Eucalyptus</i> spp.), hickory ( <i>Carya</i> spp.), horse chestnut ( <i>Aesculus</i> spp.), lime ( <i>Tilia</i> spp.), maple ( <i>Acer</i> spp.), oak ( <i>Quercus</i> spp.), plane tree ( <i>Platanus</i> spp.), poplar and aspen ( <i>Populus</i> spp.), robinia ( <i>Robinia</i> spp.), tulipwood ( <i>Liriodendron</i> spp.) or walnut ( <i>Juglans</i> spp.):			
		Not surface covered, or surface covered with a clear or transparent material which does not obscure the grain, texture or markings of the face ply:]			
4412.33.31		Other .....	8%	Free (A*,AU,BH, CA,CL,CO,E,IL, JO,MA,MX, OM,P, PA,PE, SG) 2.4% (KR)	40%
	25	Wood flooring .....			
	65	Other: Panels not exceeding in any dimension 3.6 mm in thickness, 1.2 m in width and 2.2 m in length .....			
	75	Other: Not surface covered ..			
	85	Other .....			
4412.33.56	00	Other .....	8%	Free (A*,AU,BH, CA,CL,CO,E,IL, JO,MA,MX, OM,P, PA,PE, SG) 2.4% (KR)	40%

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Heading/ Subheading	Stat Suffix	Article description	Rates of Duty		2
			1		
			General	Special	
[4412		Plywood, veneered panels and similar laminated wood:			
4412.34		Other plywood consisting solely of sheets of wood (other than bamboo), each ply not exceeding 6 mm in thickness:]			
		Other, with at least one outer ply of nonconiferous wood not specified under subheading 4412.33:			
		Not surface covered, or surface covered with a clear or transparent material which does not obscure the grain, texture or markings of the face ply:			
4412.34.25	00	With a face ply of Spanish cedar ( <u>Cedrela</u> spp.) .....	5.1%	Free (A*,AU,BH, CA,CL,CO,E,IL, JO,MA,MX, OM,P, PA,PE, SG)	40%
		1.5% (KR)			
4412.34.31		Other .....	8%	Free (A*,AU,BH, CA,CL,CO,E,IL, JO,MA,MX, OM,P, PA,PE, SG)	40%
		2.4% (KR)			
	25	Wood flooring .....			
	35	Other: With a face ply of sen ( <u>Kalopanax</u> spp.) .....			
	55	With a face ply of mahogany ( <u>Swietenia</u> spp. or <u>Khaya</u> spp.) .....			
	65	Other: Panels not exceeding in any dimension 3.6 mm in thickness, 1.2 m in width and 2.2 m in length.....			
	75	Other: Not surface covered .....			
	85	Other.....			

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Heading/ Subheading	Stat Suffix	Article description	Rates of Duty		
			1		2
			General	Special	
[4412		Plywood, veneered panels and similar laminated wood:			
4412.34		Other plywood consisting solely of sheets of wood (other than bamboo), each ply not exceeding 6 mm in thickness:			
		Other, with at least one outer ply of nonconiferous wood not specified under subheading 4412.33:			
		Not surface covered, or surface covered with a clear or transparent material which does not obscure the grain, texture or markings of the face ply:]			
4412.34.56	00	Other .....	8%	Free (A*,AU,BH, CA,CL,CO,E,IL, JO,MA,MX, OM,P, PA,PE, SG) 2.4% (KR)	40%".

(b) General note 4(d) to the HTS is modified by –

(i) deleting the following subheadings and the country set out opposite such subheadings:

4412.32.25      Brazil  
 4412.32.31      Brazil  
 4412.32.56      Brazil

(ii) adding, in numerical order, the following subheadings and the country set out opposite such subheadings:

4412.33.25      Brazil  
 4412.33.31      Brazil  
 4412.33.56      Brazil  
 4412.34.25      Brazil  
 4412.34.31      Brazil  
 4412.34.56      Brazil

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**Appendix C**  
**Correlation Table:**  
**Sorted by Proposed HTS Subheading**

## Proposed Commission Recommendations

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Proposed HTS No.	Current HTS No.
4401.11.0000	4401.10.0000 (pt.)
4401.12.0000	4401.10.0000 (pt.)
4401.39.4100	4401.39.4090 (pt.)
4401.40.0010	4401.39.4010
4401.40.0020	4401.39.4020
4401.40.0090	4401.39.4090 (pt.)
4403.11.0020	4403.10.0020 (pt.)
4403.11.0040	4403.10.0040 (pt.)
4403.11.0050	4403.10.0050 (pt.)
4403.11.0060	4403.10.0060 (pt.)
4403.12.0020	4403.10.0020 (pt.)
4403.12.0040	4403.10.0040 (pt.)
4403.12.0050	4403.10.0050 (pt.)
4403.12.0060	4403.10.0060 (pt.)
4403.21.0012	4403.20.0012 (pt.)
4403.21.0015	4403.20.0015 (pt.)
4403.21.0016	4403.20.0016 (pt.)
4403.21.0020	4403.20.0020 (pt.)
4403.21.0025	4403.20.0025 (pt.)
4403.21.0030	4403.20.0030 (pt.)
4403.21.0065	4403.20.0065 (pt.)
4403.22.0008	4403.20.0008 (pt.)
4403.22.0012	4403.20.0012 (pt.)
4403.22.0015	4403.20.0015 (pt.)
4403.22.0016	4403.20.0016 (pt.)
4403.22.0020	4403.20.0020 (pt.)
4403.22.0025	4403.20.0025 (pt.)
4403.22.0030	4403.20.0030 (pt.)
4403.22.0065	4403.20.0065 (pt.)
4403.23.0012	4403.20.0012 (pt.)
4403.23.0015	4403.20.0015 (pt.)
4403.23.0016	4403.20.0016 (pt.)
4403.23.0035	4403.20.0035 (pt.)
4403.23.0042	4403.20.0042 (pt.)
4403.23.0065	4403.20.0065 (pt.)
4403.24.0004	4403.20.0004
4403.24.0012	4403.20.0012 (pt.)
4403.24.0015	4403.20.0015 (pt.)
4403.24.0016	4403.20.0016 (pt.)
4403.24.0035	4403.20.0035 (pt.)
4403.24.0042	4403.20.0042 (pt.)
4403.24.0065	4403.20.0065 (pt.)
4403.25.0012	4403.20.0012 (pt.)
4403.25.0015	4403.20.0015 (pt.)
4403.25.0016	4403.20.0016 (pt.)
4403.25.0040	4403.20.0040 (pt.)
4403.25.0045	4403.20.0045 (pt.)
4403.25.0050	4403.20.0050 (pt.)
4403.25.0052	4403.20.0052 (pt.)

Proposed HTS No.	Current HTS No.
4403.25.0055	4403.20.0055 (pt.)
4403.25.0057	4403.20.0057 (pt.)
4403.25.0063	4403.20.0063 (pt.)
4403.25.0065	4403.20.0065 (pt.)
4403.26.0008	4403.20.0008 (pt.)
4403.26.0012	4403.20.0012 (pt.)
4403.26.0015	4403.20.0015 (pt.)
4403.26.0016	4403.20.0016 (pt.)
4403.26.0040	4403.20.0040 (pt.)
4403.26.0045	4403.20.0045 (pt.)
4403.26.0050	4403.20.0050 (pt.)
4403.26.0052	4403.20.0052 (pt.)
4403.26.0055	4403.20.0055 (pt.)
4403.26.0057	4403.20.0057 (pt.)
4403.26.0063	4403.20.0063 (pt.)
4403.26.0065	4403.20.0065 (pt.)
4403.93.0000	4403.92.0000 (pt.)
4403.94.0000	4403.92.0000 (pt.)
4403.95.0027	4403.99.0027 (pt.)
4403.95.0030	4403.99.0030 (pt.)
4403.96.0024	4403.99.0024 (pt.)
4403.96.0027	4403.99.0027 (pt.)
4403.96.0030	4403.99.0030 (pt.)
4403.97.0022	4403.99.0022
4403.97.0026	4403.99.0026
4403.97.0065	4403.99.0065
4403.97.0067	4403.99.0067
4403.98.0024	4403.99.0024 (pt.)
4403.98.0029	4403.99.0029 (pt.)
4403.98.0091	4403.99.0091 (pt.)
4403.99.0124	4403.99.0024 (pt.)
4403.99.0129	4403.99.0029 (pt.)
4403.99.0140	4403.99.0040
4403.99.0150	4403.99.0050
4403.99.0155	4403.99.0055
4403.99.0160	4403.99.0060
4403.99.0170	4403.99.0070
4403.99.0175	4403.99.0075
4403.99.0191	4403.99.0091 (pt.)
4406.11.0000	4406.10.0000 (pt.)
4406.12.0000	4406.10.0000 (pt.)
4406.91.0000	4406.90.0000 (pt.)
4406.92.0000	4406.90.0000 (pt.)
4407.11.0001	4407.10.0101 (pt.)
4407.11.0002	4407.10.0102 (pt.)
4407.11.0015	4407.10.0115 (pt.)
4407.11.0042	4407.10.0142
4407.11.0043	4407.10.0143
4407.11.0044	4407.10.0144

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Proposed HTS No.	Current HTS No.
4407.11.0045	4407.10.0145
4407.11.0046	4407.10.0146
4407.11.0047	4407.10.0147
4407.11.0048	4407.10.0148
4407.11.0049	4407.10.0149
4407.11.0052	4407.10.0152
4407.11.0053	4407.10.0153
4407.12.0001	4407.10.0101 (pt.)
4407.12.0002	4407.10.0102 (pt.)
4407.12.0015	4407.10.0115
4407.12.0017	4407.10.0117
4407.12.0018	4407.10.0118
4407.12.0019	4407.10.0119
4407.12.0020	4407.10.0120
4407.12.0058	4407.10.0158
4407.12.0059	4407.10.0159
4407.19.0001	4407.10.0101 (pt.)
4407.19.0002	4407.10.0102 (pt.)
4407.19.0016	4407.10.0116
4407.19.0054	4407.10.0154
4407.19.0055	4407.10.0155
4407.19.0056	4407.10.0156
4407.19.0057	4407.10.0157
4407.19.0064	4407.10.0164
4407.19.0065	4407.10.0165
4407.19.0066	4407.10.0166
4407.19.0067	4407.10.0167
4407.19.0068	4407.10.0168
4407.19.0069	4407.10.0169
4407.19.0074	4407.10.0174
4407.19.0075	4407.10.0175
4407.19.0076	4407.10.0176
4407.19.0077	4407.10.0177
4407.19.0082	4407.10.0182
4407.19.0083	4407.10.0183
4407.19.0092	4407.10.0192
4407.19.0093	4407.10.0193
4407.96.0011	4407.99.0111
4407.96.0013	4407.99.0113
4407.96.0019	4407.99.0119
4407.97.0072	4407.99.0172
4407.97.0079	4407.99.0179
4407.99.0242	4407.99.0142
4407.99.0261	4407.99.0161
4407.99.0263	4407.99.0163
4407.99.0285	4407.99.0185
4407.99.0293	4407.99.0193
4412.33.0520	4412.32.0520
4412.33.0540	4412.32.0540

Proposed HTS No.	Current HTS No.
4412.33.0565	4412.32.0565
4412.33.0570	4412.32.0570
4412.33.2525	4412.32.2525
4412.33.2530	4412.32.2530
4412.33.3125	4412.32.3125 (pt.)
4412.33.3165	4412.32.3165 (pt.)
4412.33.3175	4412.32.3175 (pt.)
4412.33.3185	4412.32.3185 (pt.)
4412.33.5600	4412.32.5600 (pt.)
4412.34.2500	4412.32.2510
4412.34.3125	4412.32.3125 (pt.)
4412.34.3135	4412.32.3135
4412.34.3155	4412.32.3155
4412.34.3165	4412.32.3165 (pt.)
4412.34.3175	4412.32.3175 (pt.)
4412.34.3185	4412.32.3185 (pt.)
4412.34.5600	4412.32.5600 (pt.)

# **Appendix D**

## **Correlation Table:**

### **Sorted by Current HTS Subheading**

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Current HTS No.	Proposed HTS No.
4401.10.0000 (pt.)	4401.11.0000
4401.10.0000 (pt.)	4401.12.0000
4401.39.4010	4401.40.0010
4401.39.4020	4401.40.0020
4401.39.4090 (pt.)	4401.39.4100
4401.39.4090 (pt.)	4401.40.0090
4403.10.0020 (pt.)	4403.11.0020
4403.10.0020 (pt.)	4403.12.0020
4403.10.0040 (pt.)	4403.11.0040
4403.10.0040 (pt.)	4403.12.0040
4403.10.0050 (pt.)	4403.11.0050
4403.10.0050 (pt.)	4403.12.0050
4403.10.0060 (pt.)	4403.11.0060
4403.10.0060 (pt.)	4403.12.0060
4403.20.0004	4403.24.0004
4403.20.0008 (pt.)	4403.22.0008
4403.20.0008 (pt.)	4403.26.0008
4403.20.0012 (pt.)	4403.21.0012
4403.20.0012 (pt.)	4403.22.0012
4403.20.0012 (pt.)	4403.23.0012
4403.20.0012 (pt.)	4403.24.0012
4403.20.0012 (pt.)	4403.25.0012
4403.20.0012 (pt.)	4403.26.0012
4403.20.0015 (pt.)	4403.21.0015
4403.20.0015 (pt.)	4403.22.0015
4403.20.0015 (pt.)	4403.23.0015
4403.20.0015 (pt.)	4403.24.0015
4403.20.0015 (pt.)	4403.25.0015
4403.20.0015 (pt.)	4403.26.0015
4403.20.0016 (pt.)	4403.21.0016
4403.20.0016 (pt.)	4403.22.0016
4403.20.0016 (pt.)	4403.23.0016
4403.20.0016 (pt.)	4403.24.0016
4403.20.0016 (pt.)	4403.25.0016
4403.20.0016 (pt.)	4403.26.0016
4403.20.0020 (pt.)	4403.21.0020
4403.20.0020 (pt.)	4403.22.0020
4403.20.0025 (pt.)	4403.21.0025
4403.20.0025 (pt.)	4403.22.0025
4403.20.0030(pt.)	4403.21.0030
4403.20.0030(pt.)	4403.22.0030
4403.20.0035 (pt.)	4403.23.0035
4403.20.0035 (pt.)	4403.24.0035
4403.20.0040 (pt.)	4403.25.0040
4403.20.0040 (pt.)	4403.26.0040
4403.20.0042 (pt.)	4403.23.0042
4403.20.0042 (pt.)	4403.24.0042
4403.20.0045 (pt.)	4403.25.0045
4403.20.0045 (pt.)	4403.26.0045

Current HTS No.	Proposed HTS No.
4403.20.0050 (pt.)	4403.25.0050
4403.20.0050 (pt.)	4403.26.0050
4403.20.0052 (pt.)	4403.25.0052
4403.20.0052 (pt.)	4403.26.0052
4403.20.0055 (pt.)	4403.25.0055
4403.20.0055 (pt.)	4403.26.0055
4403.20.0057 (pt.)	4403.25.0057
4403.20.0057 (pt.)	4403.26.0057
4403.20.0063 (pt.)	4403.25.0063
4403.20.0063 (pt.)	4403.26.0063
4403.20.0065 (pt.)	4403.21.0065
4403.20.0065 (pt.)	4403.22.0065
4403.20.0065 (pt.)	4403.23.0065
4403.20.0065 (pt.)	4403.24.0065
4403.20.0065 (pt.)	4403.25.0065
4403.20.0065 (pt.)	4403.26.0065
4403.92.0000 (pt.)	4403.93.0000
4403.92.0000 (pt.)	4403.94.0000
4403.99.0022	4403.97.0022
4403.99.0024 (pt.)	4403.96.0024
4403.99.0024 (pt.)	4403.98.0024
4403.99.0024 (pt.)	4403.99.0124
4403.99.0026	4403.97.0026
4403.99.0027 (pt.)	4403.95.0027
4403.99.0027 (pt.)	4403.96.0027
4403.99.0029 (pt.)	4403.98.0029
4403.99.0029 (pt.)	4403.99.0129
4403.99.0030 (pt.)	4403.95.0030
4403.99.0030 (pt.)	4403.96.0030
4403.99.0040	4403.99.0140
4403.99.0050	4403.99.0150
4403.99.0055	4403.99.0155
4403.99.0060	4403.99.0160
4403.99.0065	4403.97.0065
4403.99.0067	4403.97.0067
4403.99.0070	4403.99.0170
4403.99.0075	4403.99.0175
4403.99.0091 (pt.)	4403.99.0191
4403.99.0091 (pt.)	4403.98.0091
4406.10.0000 (pt.)	4406.11.0000
4406.10.0000 (pt.)	4406.12.0000
4406.90.0000 (pt.)	4406.91.0000
4406.90.0000 (pt.)	4406.92.0000
4407.10.0101 (pt.)	4407.11.0001
4407.10.0101 (pt.)	4407.12.0001
4407.10.0101 (pt.)	4407.19.0001
4407.10.0102 (pt.)	4407.11.0002
4407.10.0102 (pt.)	4407.12.0002
4407.10.0102 (pt.)	4407.19.0002

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4407.10.0115	4407.12.0015
4407.10.0115 (pt.)	4407.11.0015
4407.10.0116	4407.19.0016
4407.10.0117	4407.12.0017
4407.10.0118	4407.12.0018
4407.10.0119	4407.12.0019
4407.10.0120	4407.12.0020
4407.10.0142	4407.11.0042
4407.10.0143	4407.11.0043
4407.10.0144	4407.11.0044
4407.10.0145	4407.11.0045
4407.10.0146	4407.11.0046
4407.10.0147	4407.11.0047
4407.10.0148	4407.11.0048
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4407.10.0152	4407.11.0052
4407.10.0153	4407.11.0053
4407.10.0154	4407.19.0054
4407.10.0155	4407.19.0055
4407.10.0156	4407.19.0056
4407.10.0157	4407.19.0057
4407.10.0158	4407.12.0058
4407.10.0159	4407.12.0059
4407.10.0164	4407.19.0064
4407.10.0165	4407.19.0065
4407.10.0166	4407.19.0066
4407.10.0167	4407.19.0067
4407.10.0168	4407.19.0068
4407.10.0169	4407.19.0069
4407.10.0174	4407.19.0074
4407.10.0175	4407.19.0075
4407.10.0176	4407.19.0076
4407.10.0177	4407.19.0077
4407.10.0182	4407.19.0082
4407.10.0183	4407.19.0083
4407.10.0192	4407.19.0092
4407.10.0193	4407.19.0093
4407.99.0111	4407.96.0011
4407.99.0113	4407.96.0013
4407.99.0119	4407.96.0019
4407.99.0142	4407.99.0242
4407.99.0161	4407.99.0261
4407.99.0163	4407.99.0263
4407.99.0172	4407.97.0072
4407.99.0179	4407.97.0079
4407.99.0185	4407.99.0285
4407.99.0193	4407.99.0293
4412.32.0520	4412.33.0520
4412.32.0540	4412.33.0540

Current HTS No.	Proposed HTS No.
4412.32.0565	4412.33.0565
4412.32.0570	4412.33.0570
4412.32.2510	4412.34.2500
4412.32.2525	4412.33.2525
4412.32.2530	4412.33.2530
4412.32.3125 (pt.)	4412.33.3125
4412.32.3125 (pt.)	4412.34.3125
4412.32.3135	4412.34.3135
4412.32.3155	4412.34.3155
4412.32.3165 (pt.)	4412.33.3165
4412.32.3165 (pt.)	4412.34.3165
4412.32.3175 (pt.)	4412.33.3175
4412.32.3175 (pt.)	4412.34.3175
4412.32.3185 (pt.)	4412.33.3185
4412.32.3185 (pt.)	4412.34.3185
4412.32.5600 (pt.)	4412.33.5600
4412.32.5600 (pt.)	4412.34.5600

**Appendix E**  
**World Customs Organization**  
**Recommendation of June 11, 2015,**  
**Concerning Amendments to the**  
**Harmonized System**

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**CONVENTION INTERNATIONALE  
SUR LE SYSTEME HARMONISE DE DESIGNATION ET DE CODIFICATION DES  
MARCHANDISES (BRUXELLES, 14 JUIN 1983)**

**AMENDEMENTS A LA NOMENCLATURE QUI FIGURE EN ANNEXE A LA CONVENTION,  
acceptés suite à la Recommandation du 11 juin 2015  
du Conseil de Coopération Douanière**

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**INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION  
ON THE HARMONIZED COMMODITY DESCRIPTION AND CODING SYSTEM  
(BRUSSELS, 14 JUNE 1983)**

**AMENDMENTS TO THE NOMENCLATURE APPENDED AS AN ANNEX TO THE CONVENTION  
accepted pursuant to the Recommendation of 11 June 2015  
of the Customs Co-operation Council**

Entrée en vigueur : 1.1.2018  
Entry into force :

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<u>AMENDEMENTS DE LA NOMENCLATURE</u>	<u>AMENDMENTS TO THE NOMENCLATURE</u>
<p>CHAPITRE 3.</p> <p>N° 0302.1. <u>Libellé.</u></p> <p>Remplacer “du n° 0302.9 :” par “des n°s 0302.91 à 0302.99 :”.</p>	<p>CHAPTER 3.</p> <p>Subheading 0302.1. <u>Subheading text.</u></p> <p>Delete “subheading 0302.9 :” and substitute “subheadings 0302.91 to 0302.99 :”.</p>
<p>N° 0302.2. <u>Libellé.</u></p> <p>Remplacer “du n° 0302.9 :” par “des n°s 0302.91 à 0302.99 :”.</p>	<p>Subheading 0302.2. <u>Subheading text.</u></p> <p>Delete “subheading 0302.9 :” and substitute “subheadings 0302.91 to 0302.99 :”.</p>
<p>N° 0302.3. <u>Libellé.</u></p> <p>Remplacer “du n° 0302.9 :” par “des n°s 0302.91 à 0302.99 :”.</p>	<p>Subheading 0302.3. <u>Subheading text.</u></p> <p>Delete “subheading 0302.9 :” and substitute “subheadings 0302.91 to 0302.99 :”.</p>
<p>N° 0302.4. <u>Libellé.</u></p> <p>Remplacer “du n° 0302.9 :” par “des n°s 0302.91 à 0302.99 :”.</p>	<p>Subheading 0302.4. <u>Subheading text.</u></p> <p>Delete “subheading 0302.9 :” and substitute “subheadings 0302.91 to 0302.99 :”.</p>
<p>N° 0302.5. <u>Libellé.</u></p> <p>Remplacer “du n° 0302.9 :” par “des n°s 0302.91 à 0302.99 :”.</p>	<p>Subheading 0302.5. <u>Subheading text.</u></p> <p>Delete “subheading 0302.9 :” and substitute “subheadings 0302.91 to 0302.99 :”.</p>
<p>N° 0302.7. <u>Libellé.</u></p> <p>Remplacer “du n° 0302.9 :” par “des n°s 0302.91 à 0302.99 :”.</p>	<p>Subheading 0302.7. <u>Subheading text.</u></p> <p>Delete “subheading 0302.9 :” and substitute “subheadings 0302.91 to 0302.99 :”.</p>
<p>N° 0302.8. <u>Libellé.</u></p> <p>Remplacer “du n° 0302.9 :” par “des n°s 0302.91 à 0302.99 :”.</p>	<p>Subheading 0302.8. <u>Subheading text.</u></p> <p>Delete “subheading 0302.9 :” and substitute “subheadings 0302.91 to 0302.99 :”.</p>
<p>N° 0303.1. <u>Libellé.</u></p> <p>Remplacer “du n° 0303.9 :” par “des n°s 0303.91 à 0303.99 :”.</p>	<p>Subheading 0303.1. <u>Subheading text.</u></p> <p>Delete “subheading 0303.9 :” and substitute “subheadings 0303.91 to 0303.99 :”.</p>

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N° 0303.2. <u>Libellé.</u>	<u>Subheading 0303.2. Subheading text.</u>
Remplacer “du n° 0303.9 :” par “des n°s 0303.91 à 0303.99 :”.	Delete “subheading 0303.9 :” and substitute “subheadings 0303.91 to 0303.99 :”.
N° 0303.3. <u>Libellé.</u>	<u>Subheading 0303.3. Subheading text.</u>
Remplacer “du n° 0303.9 :” par “des n°s 0303.91 à 0303.99 :”.	Delete “subheading 0303.9 :” and substitute “subheadings 0303.91 to 0303.99 :”.
N° 0303.4. <u>Libellé.</u>	<u>Subheading 0303.4. Subheading text.</u>
Remplacer “du n° 0303.9 :” par “des n°s 0303.91 à 0303.99 :”.	Delete “subheading 0303.9 :” and substitute “subheadings 0303.91 to 0303.99 :”.
N° 0303.5. <u>Libellé.</u>	<u>Subheading 0303.5. Subheading text.</u>
Remplacer “du n° 0303.9 :” par “des n°s 0303.91 à 0303.99 :”.	Delete “subheading 0303.9 :” and substitute “subheadings 0303.91 to 0303.99 :”.
N° 0303.6. <u>Libellé.</u>	<u>Subheading 0303.6. Subheading text.</u>
Remplacer “du n° 0303.9 :” par “des n°s 0303.91 à 0303.99 :”.	Delete “subheading 0303.9 :” and substitute “subheadings 0303.91 to 0303.99 :”.
N° 0303.8. <u>Libellé.</u>	<u>Subheading 0303.8. Subheading text.</u>
Remplacer “du n° 0303.9 :” par “des n°s 0303.91 à 0303.99 :”.	Delete “subheading 0303.9 :” and substitute “subheadings 0303.91 to 0303.99 :”.
<u>CHAPITRE 44.</u>	<u>CHAPTER 44.</u>
N° 44.01. <u>Libellé.</u>	<u>Heading 44.01. Heading text.</u>
Remplacer “ <b>boulettes</b> ” par “ <b>granulés</b> ”.	French text only.

<p><u>N° 4401.10.</u></p> <p>Nouvelle rédaction :</p> <p>“ - Bois de chauffage en rondins, bûches, ramilles, fagots ou sous formes similaires :</p> <p>-- De conifères</p> <p>-- Autres que de conifères”.</p>	<p><u>Subheading 4401.10.</u></p> <p>Delete and substitute :</p> <p>“ - Fuel wood, in logs, in billets, in twigs, in faggots or in similar forms :</p> <p>-- Coniferous</p> <p>-- Non-coniferous”.</p>
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<p><u>N° 4401.3. Libellé.</u></p> <p>Nouvelle rédaction :</p> <p>“ - Sciures, déchets et débris de bois, agglomérés sous forme de bûches, briquettes, granulés ou sous formes similaires :”.</p>	<p><u>Subheading 4401.3. Subheading text.</u></p> <p>Delete and substitute :</p> <p>“ - Sawdust and wood waste and scrap, agglomerated, in logs, briquettes, pellets or similar forms :”.</p>
<p><u>Nouveau n° 4401.40.</u></p> <p>Insérer la nouvelle sous-position suivante :</p> <p>“4401.40 - Sciures, déchets et débris de bois, non agglomérés”.</p>	<p><u>New subheading 4401.40.</u></p> <p>Insert the following new subheading :</p> <p>“4401.40 - Sawdust and wood waste and scrap, not agglomerated”.</p>

<p><u>N°s 4403.10 et 4403.20.</u></p> <p>Nouvelle rédaction :</p> <p>“ - Traités avec une peinture, de la créosote ou d'autres agents de conservation :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-- De conifères</li> <li>-- Autres que de conifères</li> </ul> <p>- Autres, de conifères :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-- De pin (<i>Pinus spp.</i>), dont la plus grande dimension de la coupe transversale est égale ou supérieure à 15 cm</li> <li>-- De pin (<i>Pinus spp.</i>), autres</li> <li>-- De sapin (<i>Abies spp.</i>) et d'épicéa (<i>Picea spp.</i>), dont la plus grande dimension de la coupe transversale est égale ou supérieure à 15 cm</li> <li>-- De sapin (<i>Abies spp.</i>) et d'épicéa (<i>Picea spp.</i>), autres</li> <li>-- Autres, dont la plus grande dimension de la coupe transversale est égale ou supérieure à 15 cm</li> <li>-- Autres”.</li> </ul>	<p><u>Subheadings 4403.10 and 4403.20.</u></p> <p>Delete and substitute :</p> <p>“ - Treated with paint, stains, creosote or other preservatives :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-- Coniferous</li> <li>-- Non-coniferous</li> </ul> <p>- Other, coniferous :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-- Of pine (<i>Pinus spp.</i>), of which any cross-sectional dimension is 15 cm or more</li> <li>-- Of pine (<i>Pinus spp.</i>), other</li> <li>-- Of fir (<i>Abies spp.</i>) and spruce (<i>Picea spp.</i>), of which any cross-sectional dimension is 15 cm or more</li> <li>-- Of fir (<i>Abies spp.</i>) and spruce (<i>Picea spp.</i>), other</li> <li>-- Other, of which any cross-sectional dimension is 15 cm or more</li> <li>-- Other”.</li> </ul>
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<p><u>N° 4403.92.</u></p> <p>Nouvelle rédaction :</p> <p>“4403.93 -- De hêtre (<i>Fagus spp.</i>), dont la plus grande dimension de la coupe transversale est égale ou supérieure à 15 cm</p> <p>-- De hêtre (<i>Fagus spp.</i>), autres</p> <p>-- De bouleau (<i>Betula spp.</i>), dont la plus grande dimension de la coupe transversale est égale ou supérieure à 15 cm</p> <p>-- De bouleau (<i>Betula spp.</i>), autres</p> <p>-- De peuplier (<i>Populus spp.</i>)</p> <p>-- D'eucalyptus (<i>Eucalyptus spp.</i>)”.</p>	<p><u>Subheading 4403.92.</u></p> <p>Delete and substitute :</p> <p>“4403.93 -- Of beech (<i>Fagus spp.</i>), of which any cross-sectional dimension is 15 cm or more</p> <p>-- Of beech (<i>Fagus spp.</i>), other</p> <p>-- Of birch (<i>Betula spp.</i>), of which any cross-sectional dimension is 15 cm or more</p> <p>-- Of birch (<i>Betula spp.</i>), other</p> <p>-- Of poplar and aspen (<i>Populus spp.</i>)</p> <p>-- Of eucalyptus (<i>Eucalyptus spp.</i>)”.</p>
<p><u>N°s 4406.10 et 4406.90.</u></p> <p>Nouvelle rédaction :</p> <p>“ -- Non imprégnées :</p> <p>-- De conifères</p> <p>-- Autres que de conifères</p> <p>-- - Autres :</p> <p>-- De conifères</p> <p>-- Autres que de conifères”.</p>	<p><u>Subheadings 4406.10 and 4406.90.</u></p> <p>Delete and substitute :</p> <p>“ -- Not impregnated :</p> <p>-- Coniferous</p> <p>-- Non-coniferous</p> <p>-- - Other :</p> <p>-- Coniferous</p> <p>-- Non-coniferous”.</p>

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<p>N° 4407.10.</p> <p>Nouvelle rédaction :</p> <p>“ - De conifères :</p> <p>4407.11 -- De pin (<i>Pinus spp.</i>)</p>	<p>Subheading 4407.10.</p> <p>Delete and substitute :</p> <p>“ - Coniferous :</p> <p>4407.11 -- Of pine (<i>Pinus spp.</i>)</p>
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<p>4407.12 -- De sapin (<i>Abies spp.</i>) et d'épicéa (<i>Picea spp.</i>)</p> <p>4407.19 -- Autres”.</p>	<p>4407.12 -- Of fir (<i>Abies spp.</i>) and spruce (<i>Picea spp.</i>)</p> <p>4407.19 -- Other”.</p>
<p><u>Nouveaux n°s 4407.96 et 4407.97.</u></p> <p>Insérer les nouvelles sous-positions suivantes :</p> <p>“4407.96 -- De bouleau (<i>Betula spp.</i>)</p> <p>4407.97 -- De peuplier (<i>Populus spp.</i>)”.</p>	<p><u>New subheadings 4407.96 and 4407.97.</u></p> <p>Insert the following new subheadings :</p> <p>“4407.96 -- Of birch (<i>Betula spp.</i>)</p> <p>4407.97 -- Of poplar and aspen (<i>Populus spp.</i>)”.</p>
<p><u>N°s 4412.32 et 4412.39.</u></p> <p>Nouvelle rédaction :</p> <p>“4412.33 -- Autres, ayant au moins un pli extérieur en bois autre que de conifères, des espèces aulne (<i>Alnus spp.</i>), frêne (<i>Fraxinus spp.</i>), hêtre (<i>Fagus spp.</i>), bouleau (<i>Betula spp.</i>), cerise (<i>Prunus spp.</i>), châtaignier (<i>Castanea spp.</i>), orme (<i>Ulmus spp.</i>), eucalyptus (<i>Eucalyptus spp.</i>), caryer (<i>Carya spp.</i>), marronnier (<i>Aesculus spp.</i>), tilleul (<i>Tilia spp.</i>), érable (<i>Acer spp.</i>), chêne (<i>Quercus spp.</i>), platane (<i>Platanus spp.</i>), peuplier (<i>Populus spp.</i>), robinier (<i>Robinia spp.</i>), tulipier (<i>Liriodendron spp.</i>) ou noyer (<i>Juglans spp.</i>)</p> <p>4412.34 -- Autres, ayant au moins un pli extérieur en bois autre que de conifères non dénommés dans le n° 4412.33</p> <p>4412.39 -- Autres, ayant les deux plis extérieurs en bois de conifères”.</p>	<p><u>Subheadings 4412.32 and 4412.39.</u></p> <p>Delete and substitute :</p> <p>“4412.33 -- Other, with at least one outer ply of non-coniferous wood of the species alder (<i>Alnus spp.</i>), ash (<i>Fraxinus spp.</i>), beech (<i>Fagus spp.</i>), birch (<i>Betula spp.</i>), cherry (<i>Prunus spp.</i>), chestnut (<i>Castanea spp.</i>), elm (<i>Ulmus spp.</i>), eucalyptus (<i>Eucalyptus spp.</i>), hickory (<i>Carya spp.</i>), horse chestnut (<i>Aesculus spp.</i>), lime (<i>Tilia spp.</i>), maple (<i>Acer spp.</i>), oak (<i>Quercus spp.</i>), plane tree (<i>Platanus spp.</i>), poplar and aspen (<i>Populus spp.</i>), robinia (<i>Robinia spp.</i>), tulipwood (<i>Liriodendron spp.</i>) or walnut (<i>Juglans spp.</i>)</p> <p>4412.34 -- Other, with at least one outer ply of non-coniferous wood not specified under subheading 4412.33</p> <p>4412.39 -- Other, with both outer plies of coniferous wood”.</p>
<p><u>CHAPITRE 63.</u></p> <p><u>Note 1 de sous-positions.</u></p> <p>Remplacer “de bonneterie,” par “de bonneterie-chaîne,”.</p>	<p><u>CHAPTER 63.</u></p> <p><u>Subheading Note 1.</u></p> <p>Delete “from fabrics,” and substitute “from warp knit fabrics,”.</p>

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<u>N° 6304.20.</u>  Nouvelle rédaction :  "6304.20 - Moustiquaires pour lits mentionnées dans la Note 1 de sous-positions du présent Chapitre".	<u>Subheading 6304.20.</u>  Delete and substitute :  "6304.20 - Bed nets specified in Subheading Note 1 to this Chapter".

**Appendix F**  
**Excerpt From USITC Inv. No. 1205-11**  
**(July 2015) Containing the**  
**Commission's Recommended**  
**Modifications in Chapters 3 and 63 of**  
**the HTS**

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3-1. Note 1(c) to chapter 3 is modified by deleting “(including livers and roes thereof)” and inserting “(including livers, roes and milt thereof)” in lieu thereof.

3-2. (a) Subheading 0301.93.01 is deleted and new subheading 0301.93.02 is inserted in lieu thereof:

Heading/ Subheading	Stat Suffix	Article description	Unit of Quantity	Rates of Duty		
				1		2
				General	Special	
[0301 “0301.93.02		Live Fish: Other live fish:] Carp ( <i>Cyprinus spp.</i> , <i>Carassius spp.</i> , <i>Ctenopharyngodon idellus</i> , <i>Hypophthalmichthys spp.</i> , <i>Cirrhinus spp.</i> , <i>Mylopharyngodon piceus</i> , <i>Catla catla</i> , <i>Labeo spp.</i> , <i>Osteochilus hasselti</i> , <i>Leptobarbus hoeveni</i> , <i>Megalobrama spp.</i> ) ..... Grass carp ( <i>Ctenopharyngodon idellus</i> ), silver carp ( <i>Hypophthalmichthys molitrix</i> ) and bighead carp ( <i>Aristichthys nobilis</i> )..... Other .....		Free		Free
	10					
	90					

(b) Subheading 0301.99.02 is renumbered as 0301.99.03.

3-3. The superior subheading immediately preceding subheading 0302.11.00 is modified to read as follows:

“Salmonidae, excluding edible fish offal of subheadings 0302.91 to 0302.99:”.

3-4. The superior subheading immediately preceding subheading 0302.21.00 is modified to read as follows:

“Flat fish (*Pleuronectidae*, *Bothidae*, *Cynoglossidae*, *Soleidae*, *Scophthalmidae* and *Citharidae*), excluding edible fish offal of subheadings 0302.91 to 0302.99:”.

3-5. The superior subheading immediately preceding subheading 0302.31.00 is modified to read as follows:

“Tunas (of the genus *Thunnus*), skipjack or stripe-bellied bonito (*Euthynnus (Katsuwonus) pelamis*), excluding edible fish offal of subheadings 0302.91 to 0302.99:”.

3-6. The superior subheading immediately preceding subheading 0302.41.00 is modified to read as follows:

“Herrings (*Clupea harengus*, *Clupea pallasii*), anchovies (*Engraulis spp.*), sardines (*Sardina pilchardus*, *Sardinops spp.*), sardinella (*Sardinella spp.*), brisling or sprats (*Sprattus sprattus*), mackerel (*Scomber scombrus*, *Scomber australasicus*, *Scomber japonicus*), Indian mackerels (*Rastrelliger spp.*), seerfishes (*Scomberomorus spp.*), jack and horse mackerel (*Trachurus spp.*), jacks, crevalles (*Caranx spp.*), cobia (*Rachycentron canadum*), silver pomfrets (*Pampus spp.*), Pacific saury (*Cololabis saira*), scads (*Decapterus spp.*), capelin (*Mallotus villosus*), swordfish (*Xiphias gladius*), Kawakawa (*Euthynnus affinis*), bonitos (*Sarda spp.*), marlins, sailfishes, spearfish (*Istiophoridae*), excluding edible fish offal of subheadings 0302.91 to 0302.99:”.

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3-7. New subheading 0302.49.00 is inserted in numerical order:

Heading/ Subheading	Stat Suffix	Article description	Unit of Quantity	Rates of Duty		
				1		2
				General	Special	
[0302  0302.49.00	  00	Fish, fresh or chilled, excluding fish fillets and other fish meat of heading 0304: Herrings ( <i>Clupea harengus</i> , <i>Clupea pallasii</i> ), anchovies ( <i>Engraulis spp.</i> ), sardines, . . . :] Other .....		Free		2.2¢/kg”

3-8. The superior subheading immediately preceding subheading 0302.51.00 is modified to read as follows:

“Fish of the families *Bregmacerotidae*, *Euclichthyidae*, *Gadidae*, *Macrouridae*, *Melanonidae*, *Merlucciidae*, *Moridae* and *Muraenolepididae*, excluding edible fish offal of subheadings 0302.91 to 0302.99:”.

3-9. The superior subheading immediately preceding subheading 0302.71 is modified to read as follows:

“Tilapias (*Oreochromis spp.*), catfish (*Pangasius spp.*, *Silurus spp.*, *Clarias spp.*, *Ictalurus spp.*), carp (*Cyprinus spp.*, *Carassius spp.*, *Ctenopharyngodon idellus*, *Hypophthalmichthys spp.*, *Cirrhinus spp.*, *Mylopharyngodon piceus*, *Catla catla*, *Labeo spp.*, *Osteochilus hasselti*, *Leptobarbus hoeveni*, *Megalobrama spp.*), eels (*Anguilla spp.*), Nile perch (*Lates niloticus*) and snakeheads (*Channa spp.*), excluding edible fish offal of subheadings 0302.91 to 0302.99:”.

3-10. Subheading 0302.73 is modified to read as follows:

“Carp (*Cyprinus spp.*, *Carassius spp.*, *Ctenopharyngodon idellus*, *Hypophthalmichthys spp.*, *Cirrhinus spp.*, *Mylopharyngodon piceus*, *Catla catla*, *Labeo spp.*, *Osteochilus hasselti*, *Leptobarbus hoeveni*, *Megalobrama spp.*):”.

3-11. The superior subheading immediately preceding subheading 0302.81.00 is modified to read as follows:

“Other fish, excluding edible fish offal of subheadings 0302.91 to 0302.99:”.

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3-12. Subheadings 0302.90, 0302.90.20 and 0302.90.40 are deleted and new subheadings 0302.91 through 0302.99.00 and the superior subheading immediately preceding subheading 0302.91 are inserted in lieu thereof:

Heading/ Subheading	Stat Suffix	Article description	Unit of Quantity	Rates of Duty		
				1		2
				General	Special	
[0302		Fish, fresh or chilled, excluding fish fillets and other fish meat of heading 0304:]				
0302.91		“Livers, roes, milt, fish fins, heads, tails, maws and other edible fish offal:				
0302.91.20	00	Livers, roes and milt: .....	15%	Free (A, AU, BH, CA, CL, CO, E, IL, JO, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 6% (KR)	30%	
		Sturgeon roe .....				
0302.91.40		Other .....	Free		44¢/kg	
	10	Mullet roe .....				
	90	Other.....				
0302.92.00	00	Shark fins .....	Free		2.2¢/kg	
0302.99.00	00	Other .....	Free		44¢/kg	

3-13. The superior subheading immediately preceding subheading 0303.11.00 is modified to read as follows:

“Salmonidae, excluding edible fish offal of subheadings 0303.91 to 0303.99:”.

3-14. The superior subheading immediately preceding subheading 0303.23.00 is modified to read as follows:

“Tilapias (*Oreochromis spp.*), catfish (*Pangasius spp.*, *Silurus spp.*, *Clarias spp.*, *Ictalurus spp.*), carp (*Cyprinus spp.*, *Carassius spp.*, *Ctenopharyngodon idellus*, *Hypophthalmichthys spp.*, *Cirrhinus spp.*, *Mylopharyngodon piceus*, *Catla catla*, *Labeo spp.*, *Osteochilus hasselti*, *Leptobarbus hoeveni*, *Megalobrama spp.*), eels (*Anguilla spp.*), Nile perch (*Lates niloticus*) and snakeheads (*Channa spp.*), excluding edible fish offal of subheadings 0303.91 to 0303.99:”.



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3-19. New subheading 0303.59.00 is inserted in numerical order:

Heading/ Subheading	Stat Suffix	Article description	Unit of Quantity	Rates of Duty		
				1		2
				General	Special	
[0303 "0303.59.00	00	Fish, frozen, excluding fish fillets and other fish meat of heading 0304: Herrings ( <i>Clupea harengus</i> , <i>Clupea pallasii</i> )....:] Other .....		Free		2.2¢/kg"

3-20. The superior subheading immediately preceding subheading 0303.63.00 is modified to read as follows:

"Fish of the families *Bregmacerotidae*, *Euclichthyidae*, *Gadidae*, *Macrouridae*, *Melanonidae*, *Merlucciidae*, *Moridae* and *Muraenolepididae*, excluding edible fish offal of subheadings 0303.91 to 0303.99:".

3-21. The superior subheading immediately preceding subheading 0303.81.00 is modified to read as follows:

"Other fish, excluding edible fish offal of subheadings 0303.91 to 0303.99:".

3-22. Subheadings 0303.90, 0303.90.20 and 0303.90.40 are deleted and new subheadings 0303.91 through 0303.99.00 and the superior subheading immediately preceding subheading 0303.91 are inserted in lieu thereof:

Heading/ Subheading	Stat Suffix	Article description	Unit of Quantity	Rates of Duty		
				1		2
				General	Special	
[0303 0302.91 0302.91.20	00	Fish, fresh or chilled, excluding fish fillets and other fish meat of heading 0304:] "Livers, roes, milt, fish fins, heads, tails, maws and other edible fish offal: Livers, roes and milt: ..... Sturgeon roe .....		15%	Free (A, AU, BH, CA, CL, CO, E, IL, JO, MA, MX, OM, P, PA, PE, SG) 6% (KR)	30%
0302.91.40	20 40 50 60 95	Other ..... Herring roe..... Salmon roe..... Alaskan pollock ( <i>Theragra chalcogramma</i> ) roe ..... Mullet roe .....		Free		44¢/kg
0303.92.00	00	Shark fins .....		1.1¢/kg	Free (A, AU, BH,CA,CL,CO, E,IL,JO,KR, MA,MX,OM, P,PA,PE,SG)	2.2¢/kg
0302.99.00	00	Other .....		Free		44¢/kg

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Heading/ Subheading	Stat Suffix	Article description	Unit of Quantity	Rates of Duty		
				1		2
				General	Special	
[6005		Warp knit fabrics (including those made on galloon knitting machines), other than those of headings 6001 to 6004:				
"6005.37.00		Of synthetic fibers:] Other, dyed.....	10%	Free (AU,BH, CA,CL,CO,IL, KR,JO,MA, MX,OM,P, PA,PE,SG)	113.5%	
	10	Open-work fabrics (229) .....				
	20	Other: Stitch-bonded goods (223) .....				
6005.38.00	80	Other (222) .....	10%	Free (AU,BH, CA,CL,CO,IL, JO,MA,MX, OM,P,PA,PE, SG) 4% (KR)	113.5%	
	10	Other, of yarns of different colors.....				
	20	Open-work fabrics (229).....				
	20	Other: Stitch-bonded goods (223) .....				
6005.39.00	80	Other (222) .....	10%	Free (AU,BH, CA,CL,CO,IL, JO,MA,MX, OM,P,PA,PE, SG) 4% (KR)	113.5%".	
	10	Other, printed.....				
	10	Open-work fabrics (229).....				
	20	Other: Stitch-bonded goods (223) .....				
	80	Other (222) .....				

63-1. New subheading note 1 to chapter 63 and a subheading note title are inserted after the chapter notes.

"Subheading Note

1. Subheading 6304.20 covers articles made from warp knit fabrics, impregnated or coated with alpha-cypermethrin (ISO), chlorfenapyr (ISO), deltamethrin (INN, ISO), lambda-cyhalothrin (ISO), permethrin (ISO) or pirimiphos-methyl (ISO).".

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63-2. (a) New subheading 6304.20.00 is inserted in numerical order:

Heading/ Subheading	Stat Suffix	Article description	Unit of Quantity	Rates of Duty		
				1		2
				General	Special	
[6304 "6304.20.00		Other furnishing articles, excluding those of heading 9404:] Bed nets specified in subheading note 1 to this chapter.....		5.8%	Free (AU,BH, CA,CL,CO,E*, IL,JO,KR,MA, MX,OM,P, PA,PE,SG)	90%".
	20	Of cotton (369).....				
	40	Of man-made fibers (666).....				
		Other:				
	50	Stitch-bonded goods (223).....				
		Other:				
	60	Containing 85 percent or more by weight of silk or silk waste .....				
	70	Other (899) .....				