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AOCG Memo No. 357-2022

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## MEMORANDUM

**TO :** ALL DISTRICT and SUB-PORT COLLECTORS  
ALL CHIEFS, FORMAL ENTRY DIVISION  
AND FORMAL ENTRY DIVISION PERSONNEL

**FROM :** ATTY. EDWARD JAMES A. DY BUCO  
Deputy Commissioner, AOCG

**SUBJECT :** TARIFF COMMISSION CIRCULARS/ADVANCE RULINGS  
(TCC/AR)

**DATE :** 13 October 2022

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1603 (f) of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (Republic Act 10863) and Section 4.9 of Commission Order No. 2017-1 (Procedure on Application for an Advance Ruling on Tariff Classification related to Importation of Goods), the Tariff Commission furnished copies of the Advance Ruling (AR) on Tariff Classification with Tariff Classification Circulars (TCC/AR) issued on 07 October 2022 and the same having been reviewed and summarized as follows:

TCC. NO.	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	2022 AHTN CODE	2022 RATES OF DUTY
22-346	"BOSPHORE® JCV-BKV DETECTION KIT V2"	3822.19.00	MFN – 1% Ad Valorem
22-347	"BOSPHORE® MONKEYPOX VIRUS DETECTION KIT V1"	3822.19.00	MFN – 1% Ad Valorem
22-348	"BOSPHORE® ADENOVIRUS QUANTIFICATION KIT V1"	3822.19.00	MFN – 1% Ad Valorem
22-349	"BOSPHORE® EBV-ADENOVIRUS QUANTIFICATION KIT V1"	3822.19.00	MFN – 1% Ad Valorem

**Subject to submission of their corresponding CERTIFICATES OF ORIGIN (COs).**



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TCC. NO.	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	2022 AHTN CODE	2022 RATES OF DUTY
22-350	"BOSPHORE® BKV QUANTIFICATION KIT V1"	3822.19.00	MFN – 1% Ad Valorem
22-351	"BOSPHORE® VZV DETECTION KIT V1"	3822.19.00	MFN – 1% Ad Valorem
22-352	"BOSPHORE® HSV 1-2 GENOTYPING KIT V1"	3822.19.00	MFN – 1% Ad Valorem
22-353	"BOSPHORE® VZV QUANTIFICATION KIT V1"	3822.19.00	MFN – 1% Ad Valorem

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**For information, guidance and strict compliance.**

**CC: COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS**

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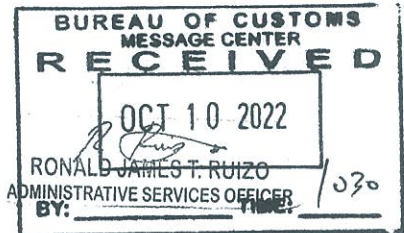
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**ACTING COMMISSIONER YOGI FILEMON I. RUIZ**

Bureau of Customs  
G/F OCOM Building  
16th Street, South Harbor  
Gate 3 Port Area, Manila



Dear Acting Commissioner Ruiz:

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 1603(f) of the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act (Republic Act No. 10863) and Section 4.9 of Commission Order No. 2017-1 (Procedure on Application for an Advance Ruling on Tariff Classification Related to Importation or Exportation of Goods), this Commission is pleased to furnish your good Office with PDF copies of additional eight Advance Rulings on Tariff Classification, with TCC (AR) Nos. 22-346, 22-347, 22-348, 22-349, 22-350, 22-351, 22-352 and 22-353, issued by this Commission on 07 October 2022. These Advance Rulings have also been posted on the Commission's website [www.tariffcommission.gov.ph](http://www.tariffcommission.gov.ph).

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

*MariLou P. Mendoza*  
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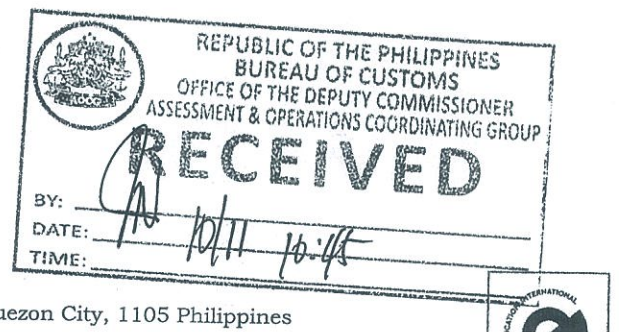
**MARILOU P. MENDOZA**  
Chairperson

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Encl: As stated

cc: The Secretary  
Department of Finance  
Manila

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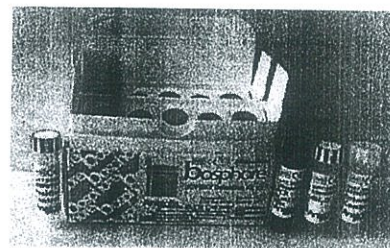
Pursuant to Section 1100 of RA 10863 (CMTA)

<b>1</b>	<b>AHTN 2022 CODE AND 2022 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>TCC (AR) NO.</b>
	AHTN 3822.19.00 MFN - 1% ad valorem		22-346
		<b>3</b>	<b>DATE ISSUED</b>
			07 October 2022

**4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD**

**"BOSPHORE® JCV-BKV DETECTION KIT V2"**

Based on the user manual, safety data sheet, production workflow chart, and photograph of actual product submitted, subject article is an *in vitro* diagnostic kit used for the detection and characterization of JC virus (JCV) and BK virus (BKV) in human biological samples. Based on the Real-Time polymerase chain reaction (PCR) technique, a region within JCV and BKV genomes are amplified, and fluorescence detection of the viruses are accomplished using FAM and HEX filters, respectively. Subject article has the following specifications:



<b>Components</b>	<b>Reagent</b>	<b>Composition</b>
	Real-Time PCR master mix	Taq DNA Polymerase, PCR buffer, dNTP mix, primers, and probes
	Internal control	Synthetic DNA molecule
	Positive control	JCV and BKV DNAs
	Distilled water	
<b>Compatible device</b>	<b>Equipment</b>	<b>Model</b>
	Real-Time PCR Instrument/System	Montania® 483, Montania® 484 or Montania® 4896; iCycler, iQ5, CFX-BioRad, etc.
<b>Packaging</b>	<b>Container</b>	<b>Pack size</b>
	Clear and amber plastic bottles in paper boxes	25, 50, or 100 reactions/box



2	TCC (AR) NO.
22-346	

**5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION**

Heading 38.22 of the ASEAN Harmonised Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2022 covers, among others, diagnostic or laboratory reagents on a backing, prepared diagnostic or laboratory reagents whether or not on a backing, whether or not put up in the form of kits, other than those of heading 30.06. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that reagents of this heading are either on a backing or in the form of preparations and thus comprise more than a single constituent. For example, they may consist of admixtures of two or more reagents or of single reagents dissolved in solvents other than water. They may also be in the form of paper, plastics or other materials (used as backings or support), impregnated or coated with one or more diagnostic or laboratory reagents, such as litmus, pH or pole-finding papers or pre-coated immuno-assay plates. Reagents of this heading may also be put up in the form of kits, consisting of several components, even if one or more components are separate chemically defined compounds of Chapter 28 or Chapter 29, synthetic colouring matter of heading 32.04 or any other substance which, when presented separately, would be classifiable under another heading. Examples of such kits are those for testing glucose in blood, ketones in urine, etc., and those based on enzymes.

The reagents of this heading should be clearly identifiable as being for use only as diagnostic or laboratory reagents. This must be clear from their composition, labelling, instructions for *in vitro* or laboratory use, indication of the specific diagnostic test to be performed or physical form (e.g., presented on a backing or support).

In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2022 subheading 3822.19.00, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 1% ad valorem.

This ruling shall be valid for five years from the date of issuance and shall continue to apply unless the law, facts, or circumstances supporting this ruling have changed.

FOR THE COMMISSION

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**MARILOU P. MENDOZA**

Chairperson

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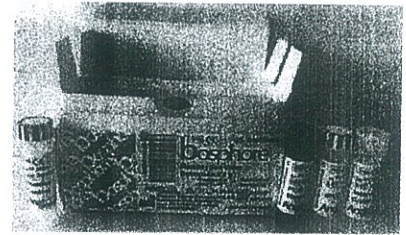
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	<b>3</b>   <b>DATE ISSUED</b> 07 October 2022

**4** | **DESCRIPTION OF GOOD**

**“BOSPHORE® MONKEYPOX VIRUS DETECTION KIT V1”**

Based on the user manual, safety data sheet, production workflow chart, and photograph of actual product submitted, subject article is an *in vitro* diagnostic kit designed for the detection of monkeypox virus in human biological samples including lesion swab, whole blood, and serum. Based on the Real-Time polymerase chain reaction (PCR) technique, a region within the F3L gene is amplified, and fluorescence detection of the virus is accomplished using FAM filter. Subject article has the following specifications:



	Reagent	Composition
<b>Components</b>	Real-Time PCR master mix	Taq DNA Polymerase (with hot start property), PCR buffer, dNTP mix, primers, and probes
	Internal control	Synthetic DNA molecule
	Positive control	Synthetic nucleic acid including monkeypox virus
	Distilled water	
	Equipment	Model
<b>Compatible device</b>	Real-Time PCR Instrument/System	Montania® 484 or Montania® 4896; CFX96-BioRad, LightCycler 480-Roche, QuantStudio 5 - ABI, etc.
	Container	Pack size
<b>Packaging</b>	Clear and amber plastic bottles in paper boxes	25, 50, or 100 reactions/box



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22-347	

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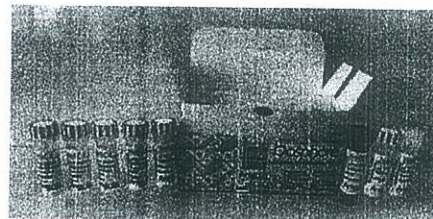
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**4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD**

**“BOSPHORE® ADENOVIRUS QUANTIFICATION KIT V1”**

Based on the user manual, safety data sheet, production workflow chart, and photograph of actual product submitted, subject article is an *in vitro* diagnostic kit used for the detection of adenovirus DNA extracted from human biological samples such as serum, plasma, stool, and cerebrospinal fluid, encompassing all adenovirus subtypes. Based on the Real-Time polymerase chain reaction (PCR) technique, a region within the hexon gene is amplified, and fluorescence detection of the virus is accomplished using FAM filter. Subject article has the following specifications:



	<b>Reagent</b>	<b>Composition</b>
<b>Components</b>	Real-Time PCR master mix	Taq DNA Polymerase (with hot-start property), PCR buffer, dNTP mix, primers, and probes
	Internal control	Synthetic DNA molecule
	Positive control	Adenovirus DNA
	Quantitation Standards	Calibrated plasmid standards
	Distilled water	
	<b>Equipment</b>	<b>Model</b>
<b>Compatible device</b>	Real-Time PCR Instrument/System	Montania® 483, Montania® 484 or Montania® 4896; iCycler, iQ5, CFX96-BioRad, LightCycler 480-Roche, etc.
	<b>Container</b>	<b>Pack size</b>
<b>Packaging</b>	Clear and amber plastic bottles in paper boxes	25, 50, or 100 reactions/box





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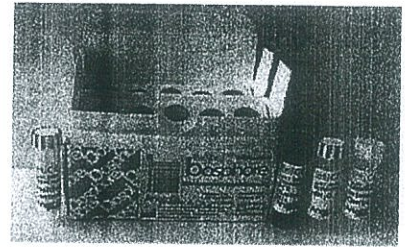
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**4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD**

**“BOSPHORE® EBV-ADENOVIRUS QUANTIFICATION KIT”**

Based on the user manual, safety data sheet, production workflow chart, and photograph of actual product submitted, subject article is an *in vitro* diagnostic kit designed for the detection, discrimination, and quantitation of Epstein Barr virus (EBV/Human Herpes Virus-4/HHV-4) and Adenovirus (ADV) DNA in human biological samples including serum, plasma, bone marrow, amniotic fluid, urine, biopsy material, and cerebrospinal fluid. Based on the Real-Time polymerase chain reaction (PCR) technique, fluorescence detection of the ADV and EBV are accomplished using FAM and HEX filters, respectively. Subject article has the following specifications:



	Reagent	Composition
<b>Components</b>	Real-Time PCR master mix	Taq DNA Polymerase (with hot-start property), PCR buffer, dNTP mix, primers, and probes
	Internal control	Synthetic DNA molecule
	Positive control	ADV and EBV DNA
	Standards	Quantitated DNA control standards for ADV and EBV
	Distilled water	
	Equipment	Model
<b>Compatible device</b>	Real-Time PCR Instrument/System	Montania® 483, Montania® 484 or Montania® 4896; iCycler, iQ5, CFX-BioRad, LightCycler 480-Roche, etc.
	Container	Pack size
<b>Packaging</b>	Clear and amber plastic bottles in paper boxes	25, 50, or 100 reactions/box



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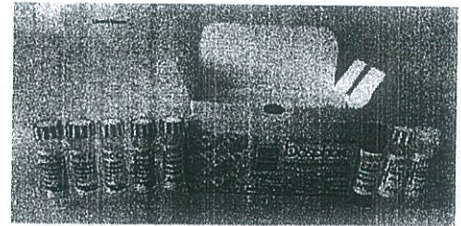
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**4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD**

**“BOSPHORE® BKV QUANTIFICATION KIT V1”**

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	<b>Reagent</b>	<b>Composition</b>
<b>Components</b>	Real-Time PCR master mix	HotStarTaq DNA Polymerase, PCR buffer, dNTP mix, primers, and probes
	Internal control	Synthetic DNA molecule
	Positive control	BKV DNA
	Quantitation Standards	Calibrated plasmid standards
	Distilled water	
	<b>Equipment</b>	<b>Model</b>
<b>Compatible device</b>	Real-Time PCR Instrument/System	Montania® 483, Montania® 484 or Montania® 4896; iCycler, iQ5, CFX-BioRad, etc.
	<b>Container</b>	<b>Pack size</b>
<b>Packaging</b>	Clear and amber plastic bottles in paper boxes	25, 50, or 100 reactions/box



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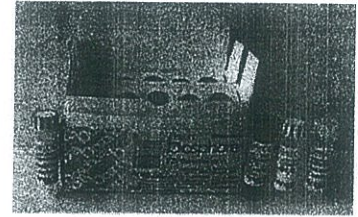
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**“BOSPHORE® VZV DETECTION KIT V1”**

Based on the user manual, safety data sheet, production workflow chart, and photograph of actual product submitted, subject article is an *in vitro* diagnostic kit used for the detection of Varicella zoster virus (also known as Human Herpes Virus 3; VZV DNA) in human serum or plasma, encompassing all the major VZV subtypes. Based on the Real-Time polymerase chain reaction (PCR) technique, a region within open reading frame (ORF) 38 gene is amplified, and fluorescence detection of the virus is accomplished using FAM filter. Subject article has the following specifications:



	<b>Reagent</b>	<b>Composition</b>
<b>Components</b>	Real-Time PCR master mix	Taq DNA Polymerase, PCR buffer, dNTP mix, primers, and probes
	Internal control	Synthetic DNA molecule
	Positive control	VZV DNA
	Distilled water	
	<b>Equipment</b>	<b>Model</b>
<b>Compatible device</b>	Real-Time PCR Instrument/System	Montania® 483, Montania® 484 or Montania® 4896; iCycler, iQ5, CFX-BioRad, etc.
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<b>Packaging</b>	Clear and amber plastic bottles in paper boxes	25, 50, or 100 reactions/box



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 Chairperson

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**ADVANCE RULING ON TARIFF CLASSIFICATION**

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<b>1</b>	<b>AHTN 2022 CODE AND 2022 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>TCC (AR) NO.</b>
	<b>AHTN 3822.19.00</b> <b>MFN - 1% ad valorem</b>		<b>22-352</b>
		<b>3</b>	<b>DATE ISSUED</b>
			<b>07 October 2022</b>

**4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD**

**“BOSPHORE® HSV 1-2 GENOTYPING KIT V1”**

Based on the user manual, safety data sheet, production workflow chart, and photograph of actual product submitted, subject article is an *in vitro* diagnostic kit used for the detection and characterization of Herpes Simplex Virus (HSV) 1 and 2 in human biological samples including serum, plasma, tissue/biopsy sample, and cerebrospinal fluid (CSF). Based on the Real-Time polymerase chain reaction (PCR) technique, a region within the Glycoprotein D gene within HSV1 and HSV2 genomes are amplified, and fluorescence detection is accomplished using FAM and Cy5 filters, respectively. Subject article has the following specifications:



	<b>Reagent</b>	<b>Composition</b>
<b>Components</b>	Real-Time PCR master mix	Taq DNA Polymerase (with hot-start property), PCR buffer, dNTP mix, primers, and probes
	Internal control	Synthetic DNA molecule
	Positive controls 1 and 2	HSV1 and HSV2 DNA
	Distilled water	
	<b>Equipment</b>	<b>Model</b>
<b>Compatible device</b>	Real-Time PCR Instrument/System	Montania® 483, Montania® 484, or Montania® 4896; iCycler, iQ5, CFX-BioRad, etc.
	<b>Container</b>	<b>Pack size</b>
<b>Packaging</b>	Clear and amber plastic bottles in paper boxes	25, 50, or 100 reactions/box





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**4** DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

**“BOSPHORE® VZV QUANTIFICATION KIT V1”**

Based on the user manual, safety data sheet, production workflow chart, and photograph of actual product submitted, subject article is an *in vitro* diagnostic kit used for the quantitation of Varicella zoster virus (VZV), also known as Human Herpes Virus 3; VZV DNA, in human serum or plasma, encompassing all the major VZV subtypes. Based on the Real-Time polymerase chain reaction (PCR) technique, a region within open reading frame (ORF) 38 gene is amplified and fluorescence detection is accomplished using FAM filter. Subject article has the following specifications:



	<b>Reagent</b>	<b>Composition</b>
<b>Components</b>	Real-Time PCR master mix	Taq DNA Polymerase (with hot-start property), PCR buffer, dNTP mix, primers, and probes
	Internal control	Synthetic DNA molecule
	Positive control	VZV DNA
	Quantitation standards	Standards 1, 2, 3, and 4
	Distilled water	
	<b>Equipment</b>	<b>Model</b>
<b>Compatible device</b>	Real-Time PCR Instrument/System	Montania® 483, Montania® 484, or Montania® 4896; iCycler, iQ5, CFX-BioRad, etc.
	<b>Container</b>	<b>Pack size</b>
<b>Packaging</b>	Clear and amber plastic bottles in paper boxes	25, 50, or 100 reactions/box



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