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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 :** 23 March 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 18 March 2022 and the same having been reviewed and summarized as follows:

TCC. NO.	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	2017 AHTN CODE	2020 RATES OF DUTY
21-206	"BOLT FLANGE (6 MM x 105 MM), PART NO.: 95801-06105-00"	7318.15.10	MFN – 10% Ad Valorem ATIGA – Zero*
21-207	"BOLT FLANGE (8 MM x 16 MM), PART NO.: 95701-08016-00"	7318.15.10	MFN – 10% Ad Valorem ATIGA – Zero*
22-034	"LIOCIDE 963"	3808.94.90	MFN – 3% Ad Valorem

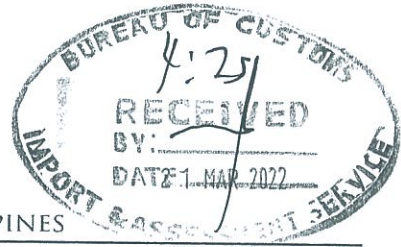
**\*Subject to submission of their corresponding CERTIFICATES OF ORIGIN (COs).**

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

**CC: COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS**

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REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES  
TARIFF COMMISSION

TCOC Ref. No. 22-022

18 March 2022



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**COMMISSIONER REY LEONARDO GUERRERO**  
Bureau of Customs  
Port Area, Manila

Dear **Commissioner Guerrero**:

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 Rulings on Tariff Classification Related to Importation of Goods), this Commission is pleased to furnish your good Office with PDF copies of three Advance Rulings on Tariff Classification, with TCC (AR) Nos. 21-206, 21-207 and 22-034, issued by this Commission on 18 March 2022. These Advance Rulings have also been posted on the Commission's website [www.tariffcommission.gov.ph](http://www.tariffcommission.gov.ph).

Thank you.

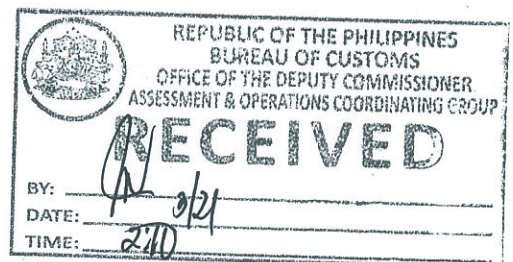
Very truly yours,

*MariLou P. Mendoza* Digitally signed

**MARILOU P. MENDOZA**  
Chairperson

Encl: *As stated*

cc: *The Secretary*  
*Department of Finance*  
*Manila*







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REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES  
TARIFF COMMISSION

**ADVANCE RULING ON TARIFF CLASSIFICATION**

Pursuant to Section 1100 of RA 10863 (CMTA)

<b>1</b>	<b>AHTN 2017 CODE AND 2022 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>TCC (AR) NO.</b>
	AHTN 7318.15.10 MFN - 10% ad valorem ATIGA - Zero		21-206
		<b>3</b>	<b>DATE ISSUED</b>
			18 March 2022

<b>4</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF GOOD</b>
	<p align="center"><b>“BOLT FLANGE (6 MM x 105 MM), PART NO.: 95801-06105-00”</b></p> <p>Based on the technical specifications and picture submitted, subject article is a flange bolt made from carbon steel conforming to AISI 10B23 and SAE J 403 standards. It has a circular flange under the head that acts like a washer to distribute the load. Having a shank diameter of 6 mm and length of 105 mm, subject article is used for securing and fastening various materials including, among others, parts of a motorcycle.</p> 

<b>5</b>	<b>REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION</b>
	<p>Note 2(a) to Section XV of the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2017 states that throughout the Nomenclature, the expression "parts of general use" means articles of heading 73.07, 73.12, 73.15, 73.17 or 73.18 and similar articles of other base metals.</p> <p>Heading 73.18 of the AHTN 2017 covers screws, bolts, nuts, coach screws, screw hooks, rivets, cotters, cotter-pins, washers (including spring washers) and similar articles, of iron or steel. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that the heading covers, among others, screws, bolts and nuts. Bolts and screws for metal are cylindrical in shape, with a close and only slightly inclined thread; they are rarely pointed and may have slotted heads or heads adapted for tightening with a spanner or they may be recessed. A bolt is designed to engage in a nut, whereas screws for metal are more usually screwed into a hole tapped in the material to be fastened and are therefore generally threaded throughout their length whereas bolts usually have a part of the shank unthreaded.</p> <p>In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 7318.15.10, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 10% ad valorem and ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement (ATIGA) rate of duty of zero, subject to submission of Certificate of Origin (CO) Form "D".</p> <p>This ruling shall be valid for five (5) years from the date of issuance and shall continue to apply unless the law, facts, or circumstances supporting this ruling have changed.</p> <p align="right">FOR THE COMMISSION Digitally signed <i>MariLou P. Mendoza</i> <b>MARILOU P. MENDOZA</b> Chairperson</p> <p><i>Note: In view of the Commission's adoption of a Work-From-Home Scheme in compliance with the Memorandum from the Office of the President (Community Quarantine over the Entire Luzon and Further Guidelines for the Management of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) Situation) issued on 16 March 2020, this Advance Ruling is being issued without a dry seal, barcode, and hologram sticker. A COPY OF THIS RULING IS ALSO UPLOADED IN THE TARIFF COMMISSION WEBSITE.</i></p>







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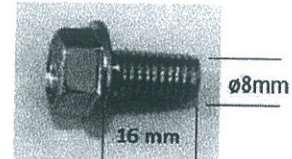
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<b>1</b>	<b>AHTN 2017 CODE AND 2022 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>TCC (AR) NO.</b>
	AHTN 7318.15.10 MFN - 10% ad valorem ATIGA - Zero		21-207
		<b>3</b>	<b>DATE ISSUED</b>
			18 March 2022

**4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD**

**"BOLT FLANGE (8 MM x 16 MM), PART NO.: 95701-08016-00"**

Based on the technical specifications and picture submitted, subject article is a flange bolt made from carbon steel conforming to AISI 10B23 and SAE J 403 standards. It has a circular flange under the head that acts like a washer to distribute the load. Having a shank diameter of 8 mm and length of 16 mm, subject article is used for securing and fastening various materials including, among others, parts of a motorcycle.



**5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION**

Note 2(a) to Section XV of the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2017 states that throughout the Nomenclature, the expression "parts of general use" means articles of heading 73.07, 73.12, 73.15, 73.17 or 73.18 and similar articles of other base metals.

Heading 73.18 of the AHTN 2017 covers screws, bolts, nuts, coach screws, screw hooks, rivets, cotters, cotter-pins, washers (including spring washers) and similar articles, of iron or steel. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that the heading covers, among others, screws, bolts and nuts. Bolts and screws for metal are cylindrical in shape, with a close and only slightly inclined thread; they are rarely pointed and may have slotted heads or heads adapted for tightening with a spanner or they may be recessed. A bolt is designed to engage in a nut, whereas screws for metal are more usually screwed into a hole tapped in the material to be fastened and are therefore generally threaded throughout their length whereas bolts usually have a part of the shank unthreaded.

In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 7318.15.10, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 10% ad valorem and ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement (ATIGA) rate of duty of zero, subject to submission of Certificate of Origin (CO) Form "D".

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FOR THE COMMISSION

Digitally signed

**MARILOU P. MENDOZA**  
Chairperson

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## TARIFF COMMISSION

## ADVANCE RULING ON TARIFF CLASSIFICATION

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<b>1</b>	<b>AHTN 2017 CODE AND 2022 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>TCC (AR) NO.</b>
	AHTN 3808.94.90 MFN - 3% ad valorem		22-034
		<b>3</b>	<b>DATE ISSUED</b>
			18 March 2022

**4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD****"LIOCIDE® 963"**

Based on the product composition, product information, and safety data sheet submitted, subject article is a water-soluble bactericide in the form of a colorless, transparent liquid. It is composed of isothiazolinones, 1,3-bis(hydroxymethyl)urea, and water. It is used to disinfect and protect water-based systems and water-based paint formulations from a wide range of gram-positive and gram-negative bacteria. Available in high-density polyethylene (HDPE) packaging with a net weight of 23 kg, subject article is added to waterborne paints, slurries and aqueous pigment dispersions, resins in emulsion, glues, and adhesives, among others, at a dosage of 0.10 to 0.30%.

**5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION**

Heading 38.08 of the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2017 covers insecticides, rodenticides, fungicides, herbicides, anti-sprouting products and plant-growth regulators, disinfectants and similar products, put up in forms or packings for retail sale or as preparations or articles (for example, sulphur-treated bands, wicks and candles, and fly-papers). The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that this heading covers a range of products intended to destroy pathogenic germs, insects (mosquitoes, moths, Colorado beetles, cockroaches, etc.), mosses and moulds, weeds, rodents, wild birds, etc. The products of heading 38.08 include, among others, disinfectants. Disinfectants are agents which destroy or irreversibly inactivate undesirable bacteria, viruses or other micro-organisms, generally on inanimate objects. Disinfectants are used, for example, in hospitals for cleaning walls, etc., or sterilising instruments. They are also used in agriculture for disinfecting seeds and in the manufacture of animal feeds to control undesirable micro-organisms. The group includes sanitisers, bacteriostats and sterilisers.

In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 3808.94.90, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 3% ad valorem.

This ruling shall be valid for five (5) years from the date of issuance and shall continue to apply unless the law, facts, or circumstances supporting this ruling have changed.

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