

BUREAU OF CUSTOMS

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AOCG Memo No. 69-2022

MEMORANDUM

TO

ALL DISTRICT and SUB-PORT COLLECTORS

ALL CHIEFS, FORMAL ENTRY DIVISION

AND FORMAL ENTRY DIVISION PERSONNEL

FROM

ATTY. EDWARD JAMES &. DY BUCO

Deputy Commissioner, AOCG @

SUBJECT

TARIFF COMMISSION CIRCULAR/ADVANCE RULING

(TCC/AR)

DATE

21 February 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 copy of the Advance Ruling (AR) on Tariff Classification with Tariff Classification Circular (TCC/AR) issued on 18 February 2022 and the same having been reviewed and summarized as follows:

TCC. NO.	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	2017 AHTN CODE	2020 RATES OF DUTY
21-358	"VMP-5 VITAMIN AND MINERAL POWDER"	2106.90.73	MFN – 1% Ad Valorem AIFTA – *Zero
Subject to si	ubmission of their corresponding CERT	IFICATES OF ORI	GIN (COs).

For your information, guidance and strict compliance.

CC: COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS

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BUREAU OF CUSTOMS MESSAGE CENTER

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8 2022

18 February 2022



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 Ruling on Tariff Classification Related to Importation of Goods), this Commission is pleased to furnish your good Office with a PDF copy of one Advance Ruling on Tariff Classification, with TCC (AR) No. 21-358, issued by this Commission on 18 February 2022. This Advance Ruling has also been posted on the Commission's website www.tariffcommission.gov.ph.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Trail P. Thurly

MARILOU P. MENDOZA Chairperson

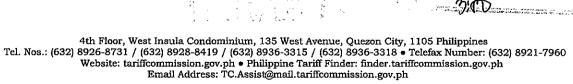
Encl: As stated

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)

1 AHTN 2017 CODE AND 2022 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY

AHTN 2106.90.73 MFN - 1% ad valorem AIFTA - Zero

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4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

"VMP-5 VITAMIN AND MINERAL POWDER"

Based on the material safety data sheet, duly certified list of ingredients, and product labels submitted, subject article is a micronutrient premix in the form of a pale off-white powder with blackish mineral particles. It is composed of vitamins (e.g., A, B₁, B₂, B₃, C, D, and E), minerals (e.g., iron, zinc, and iodine), maltodextrin, talc, and silicon dioxide. Packed in boxes containing 30 1-g sachets, it is to be mixed in small portions in semi-liquid or semi-solid food just before serving. Subject article helps control nutritional anemia and other micronutrient deficiencies in children 6 to 59 months old.

5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

Heading 21.06 of the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2017 covers food preparations not elsewhere specified or included. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that provided that they are not covered by any other heading of the Nomenclature, this heading covers, among others, preparations for use, either directly or after processing (such as cooking, dissolving or boiling in water, milk, etc.), for human consumption.

The Supplementary Explanatory Notes (SEN) to AHTN 2017 subheading 2106.90.73 state that fortificant premixes are the products used for adding one or more essential nutrients (vitamins such as B₁, B₂, B₆, niacin (B₃), folate (B₉), and minerals such as iron, zinc, and calcium) to food, whether or not they are normally contained in the food, for the purpose of preventing or correcting a demonstrated deficiency of one or more nutrients in the population or specific population groups.

In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 2106.90.73, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 1% ad valorem and ASEAN-India Free Trade Area (AIFTA) rate of duty of zero, subject to submission of Certificate of Origin (CO) Form "AI".



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2	TCC (AR) NO.
	21-358

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.

FOR THE COMMISSION

Digitally signed

MARILOU P. MENDOZA

Chairperson

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