

BUREAU OF CUSTOMS

MAKABAGONG ADUANA, MATATAG NA EKONOMIYA



AOCG Memo No. 70-2022

MEMORANDUM

accountability

MASTER COPY

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 CIRCULAR/ADVANCE RULING

(TCC/AR)

DATE

17 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 14 February 2022 and the same having been reviewed and summarized as follows:

TCC. NO.	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	2017 AHTN CODE	2020 RATES OF DUTY
21-340	"DXN MORICINIA BOTANICAL BEVERAGE MIX NONI (MORINDA CITRIFOLIA) AND ASAM GELUGUR (GARCINIA ATROVIRIDIS)"	2106.90.55	MFN – 10% Ad Valorem ATIGA – *Zero

For your information, guidance and strict compliance.

CC: COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS

AOCG Memo No. 70-2022 P-2





TABLEE COMMANDES

TARIFF COMMISSION

TCOC Ref. No. 22-011

BUREAU OF CUSTOMS

FEB 15 2022

14 February 2022

COMMISSIONER REY LEONARDO GUERRERO

Bureau of Customs Port Area, Manila

BOC-09-28239

.

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. 21-340, issued by this Commission on 14 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. The

MARILOU P. MENDOZA Chairperson

Encl: As stated

cc: The Secretary

Department of Finance

Manila

RECEIVED DATE OF BY:



AOCG Memo No. 70 - 2022

7



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES

TARIFF COMMISSION

ADVANCE RULING ON TARIFF CLASSIFICATION

Pursuant to Section 1100 of RA 10863 (CMTA)

AHTN 2017 CODE AND 2022 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY

AHTN 2106.90.55 MFN - 10% ad valorem ATIGA - Zero

2	TCC (AR) NO.
	21-340
3	DATE ISSUED

4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

"DXN MORICINIA BOTANICAL BEVERAGE MIX NONI (MORINDA CITRIFOLIA) AND ASAM GELUGUR (GARCINIA ATROVIRIDIS)"

Based on the product ingredient declaration, certificate of product registration from the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), manufacturing process, finished good specification, product labels, and photograph of the product submitted, subject article is a mixture of mengkudu or noni (*Morinda citrifolia*) juice and asam gelugur (*Garcinia atroviridis*) and is in the form of a dark-brown liquid. Packed in 285-mL and 700-mL glass bottles, subject article is to be diluted with water before consumption as a beverage.



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 this heading includes, *inter alia*, non-alcoholic or alcoholic preparations (not based on odoriferous substances) of a kind used in the manufacture of various non-alcoholic or alcoholic beverages. These preparations can be obtained by compounding vegetable extracts of heading 13.02 with lactic acid, tartaric acid, citric acid, phosphoric acid, preserving agents, foaming agents, fruit juices, etc. The preparations contain (in whole or in part) the flavouring ingredients which characterize a particular beverage. As a result, the beverage in question can usually be obtained simply by diluting the preparation with water, wine or alcohol, with or without the addition, for example, of sugar or carbon dioxide gas. Some of these products are specially prepared for domestic use; they are also widely used in industry in order to avoid the unnecessary transport of large quantities of water, alcohol, etc. As presented, these preparations are not intended for consumption as beverages and thus can be distinguished from the beverages of Chapter 22.

In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2017 subheading 2106.90.55, 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".

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

Trail P. Truly

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.

