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# REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE BUREAU OF CUSTOMS

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## **MEMORANDUM**

TO

ALL DISTRICT and SUB-PORT COLLECTORS

ALL CHIEFS, FORMAL ENTRY DIVISION

AND FORMAL ENTRY DIVISION PERSONNEL

FROM

ATTY. VENER S. BAQUIRAN

Deputy Commissione

Assessment and Operations Coordinating Group (AOCG)

SUBJECT

TARIFF COMMISSION CIRCULARS/ADVANCE RULINGS

(TCC/AR)

DATE

02 August 2024

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 30 July 2024 and the same having been reviewed and summarized as follows:

| TCC.<br>NO. | DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES                            | 2022 AHTN<br>CODE | 2024 RATES OF DUTY  |
|-------------|--|-------------------|---------------------|
| 24-463      | "DRIED PORK SKIN (RP ROYAL<br>DISTRIBUTION, S.L.)" | √0210.99.20       | MFN – 7% ad valorem |

For information, guidance and strict compliance.

CC: COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS

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TARIFF COMMISSION

09- 50149

Ref. No. 24-074

30 July 2024

COMMISSIONER BIENVENIDO Y. RUBIO

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



Dear Commissioner Rubio:

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 a PDF copy of one Advance Ruling on Tariff Classification, with TCC (AR) No. 24-463, issued by this Commission on 30 July 2024. This Advance has also been posted the Commission's Ruling on www.tariffcommission.gov.ph.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

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)

AHTN 2022 CODE AND 2024 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY

AHTN 0210.99.20 MFN - 7% ad valorem

|   | TCC (AR) NO. |
|---|--------------|
|   | 24-463       |
| 3 | DATE ISSUED  |

### 4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

## "DRIED PORK SKIN (RP ROYAL DISTRIBUTION, S.L.)"

Based on the safety data sheet, production process flowchart, confirmation on the product use and packaging information, and sample submitted, subject article consists of light hazelnut-coloured rectangular cuts with a characteristic smell. It is produced from dehydrated pork skin added with salt and antioxidant. Packed in 25-kg sealed kraft bags with polyethylene (PE) inner lining, subject article is used as a raw material in the manufacture of food products.



### 5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

Note 2 to Section I of the ASEAN Harmonised Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2022 states that except where the context otherwise requires, throughout the Nomenclature any reference to "dried" products also covers products which have been dehydrated, evaporated or freeze-dried.

Heading 02.10 of the AHTN 2022 covers, among others, meat and edible meat offal, salted, in brine, dried or smoked. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that this heading applies to all kinds of meat and edible meat offal which have been prepared as described in the heading, other than pig fat, free of lean meat, and poultry fat, not rendered or otherwise extracted (heading 02.09). Salted, dried (including dehydrated or freeze-dried) or smoked meat (e.g., bacon, ham, shoulder) remains classified in this heading if it has been enclosed in guts, stomachs, bladders, skins or similar casings (natural or artificial), provided that it has not been previously chopped or minced and combined with other ingredients (heading 16.01).

In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2022 subheading 0210.99.20, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 7% 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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