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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 Commissioner

Assessment and Operations Coordinating Group (AOCG)

SUBJECT

TARIFF COMMISSION CIRCULARS/ADVANCE RULINGS

(TCC/AR)

DATE

29 October 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 copies of the Advance Ruling (AR) on Tariff Classification with Tariff Classification Circulars (TCC/AR) issued on 17 October 2024 and the same having been reviewed and summarized as follows:

DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	2022 AHTN CODE	2024 RATES OF DUTY
"FLAVOR CONDENSED MILK"	3302.10.30	MFN – 1% ad valorem
"PAPER U-SHAPED STRAWS (V-LEGAL) (138 mm)"	4823.90.99	MFN – 15% ad valorem ATIGA – Zero* AANZFTA – Zero* ACFTA - 7.5% ad valorem* AHKFTA – 15% ad valorem* AIFTA – 5% ad valorem* AJCEPA – Zero* AKFTA – Zero* RCEP – Zero*
"SUCROSE"	1702.90.91	MFN – 3% ad valorem
"SIFQUINOL 60%"	3003.90.00	MFN – 3% ad valorem AIFTA – Zero*
	"FLAVOR CONDENSED MILK" "PAPER U-SHAPED STRAWS (V-LEGAL) (138 mm)"	"FLAVOR CONDENSED MILK" "PAPER U-SHAPED STRAWS (V-LEGAL) (138 mm)" "SUCROSE" 1702.90.91

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



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TCC. NO.	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	2022 AHTN CODE	2024 RATES OF DUTY
24-618	"RAFOXANIDE BP VET"	2924.29.90	MFN – 1% ad valorem AIFTA – Zero*
24-627	"DXN GOJI BERRIES"	0813.40.90	MFN – 7% ad valorem ACFTA - Zero* RCEP – Zero*
24-655	"LEMON FLAVOR"	3302.10.30	MFN – 1% ad valorem
24-662	"METOSTIM® LIQUID"	2309.90.20	MFN – Zero ATIGA – Zero* AANZFTA – Zero* ACFTA – Zero* AHKFTA – Zero* AIFTA – Zero* AJCEPA – Zero* AKFTA – Zero*
24-663	"YELA PROSECURE"	2309.90.20	MFN - Zero
24-665	"FLAVOR CRANBERRY POWDER"	3302.10.30	MFN – 1% ad valorem ATIGA – Zero* AANZFTA – Zero* ACFTA – Zero* AHKFTA – Zero* AIFTA – Zero* AJCEPA – Zero* AKFTA – Zero*
24-675	"WAKNIS 1.8 EC (ABAMECTIN 18 G/L EC)"	3808.91.99	MFN – 3% ad valorem ACFTA – Zero* RCEP – 3% ad valorem*
24-710	"MEAT B FLAVOR 427-00143- 01"	3302.10.30	MFN – 1% ad valorem ATIGA – Zero* AANZFTA – Zero* ACFTA – Zero* AHKFTA – Zero* AIFTA – Zero* AJCEPA – Zero* AKFTA – Zero*

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





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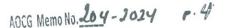
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TCC. NO.	DESCRIPTION OF ARTICLES	2022 AHTN CODE	2024 RATES OF DUTY
24-711	"MISO (RED) FLAVOUR JS-640- 440-3"	3302.10.30	MFN – 1% ad valorem ATIGA – Zero* AANZFTA – Zero* ACFTA – Zero* AHKFTA – Zero* AIFTA – Zero* AJCEPA – Zero* AKFTA – Zero* AKFTA – Zero*
24-712	"TULIP CHOCOLATIER BORDEAUX (COCOA POWDER)"	1805.00.00	MFN – 7% ad valorem ATIGA – Zero* AANZFTA – Zero* ACFTA – Zero* AHKFTA – Zero* AIFTA – 5% ad valorem* AJCEPA – Zero* AKFTA – Zero* RCEP – Zero*
24-717	"HEMOPROT® EGG POWDER"	0408.91.00	MFN – 3% ad valorem
24-730	"SARVAL PORCINE MEAL"	2309.90.20	MFN - Zero
*Subject to	submission of their correspondir	ng CERTIFICATE	ES OF ORIGIN (COs).

For information, guidance and strict compliance.

CC: COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS









TARIFF COMMISSION

Ref. No. 24-098

17 October 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 PDF copies of 16 Advance Rulings on Tariff Classification, with TCC (AR) Nos. 24-572, 24-575, 24-593, 24-617, 24-618, 24-627, 24-655, 24-662, 24-663, 24-665, 24-675, 24-710, 24-711, 24-712, 24-717 and 24-730, issued by this Commission on 17 October 2024. These Advance Rulings have also been posted on the Commission's website www.tariffcommission.gov.ph.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

MARILOU P. MENDOZA

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Chairperson

Encl:

As stated

cc:

The Secretary

Department of Finance

Manila







TARIFF COMMISSION

ADVANCE RULING ON TARIFF CLASSIFICATION

Pursuant to Section 1100 of RA 10863 (CMTA)

1 AHTN 2022 CODE AND 2024 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY

AHTN 3302.10.30 MFN - 1% ad valorem

2	TCC (AR) NO.
	24-572
3	DATE ISSUED

17 October 2024

4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

"FLAVOR CONDENSED MILK"

Based on the technical data sheet, ingredients list, production process flowchart, certificate of analysis, packing list, safety data sheet, and supplemental information submitted, subject article is a flavouring preparation in the form of a white to beige powder. It is composed of maltodextrin, sodium octenyl succinated starch, vegetable oil, glyceryl triacetate, and natural flavouring substances (composed of various odoriferous ingredients). Packed in 25-kg cardboard boxes, subject article is used as a flavouring ingredient in the manufacture of ambient dairy products.

5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

Heading 33.02 of the ASEAN Harmonised Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2022 covers, among others, mixtures of odoriferous substances and mixtures (including alcoholic solutions) with a basis of one or more of these substances, of a kind used as raw materials in industry. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that this heading covers the following mixtures provided they are of a kind used as raw materials in the perfumery, food or drink industries (e.g., in confectionery, food or drink flavourings) or in other industries (e.g., soapmaking), among others, mixtures of one or more odoriferous substances (essential oils, resinoids, extracted oleoresins or synthetic aromatics) combined with added diluents or carriers such as vegetable oil, dextrose or starch.

In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2022 subheading 3302.10.30, 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
Popely agreed
Thomas P Transley

MARILOU P. MENDOZA

Chairperson











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 4823.90.99

MFN - 15% ad valorem

ATIGA - Zero

AANZFTA - Zero

ACFTA - 7.5% ad valorem

AHKFTA - 15% ad valorem

AIFTA - 5% ad valorem

AJCEPA - Zero

RCEP - Zero

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2	TCC (AR) NO.
	24-575
3	DATE ISSUED
	17 October 2024

DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

"PAPER U-SHAPED STRAWS (V-LEGAL) (138 mm)"

Based on the technical specifications, product composition, manufacturing process flowchart, packing list, technical drawing, and sample submitted, subject articles are white U-shaped paper straws. These are made from 100% Forest Stewardship Council® (FSC®)-certified virgin bleached paper and have an inner diameter of 4 mm and folded length of 87 mm. Packed in jumbo boxes containing 20,000 pieces of straws individually wrapped in oriented polypropylene (OPP) plastic film, subject articles are used in consuming ready-to-drink beverages as an alternative to plastic straws.



REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

Heading 48.23 of the ASEAN Harmonised Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2022 covers, among others, other articles of paper pulp, paper, paperboard, cellulose wadding or webs of cellulose fibres. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that this heading includes articles of paper pulp, paper, paperboard, cellulose wadding or webs of cellulose fibres, not covered by any of the previous headings of this Chapter nor excluded by Note 2 to this Chapter.

In view thereof, subject articles are classified under AHTN 2022 subheading 4823.90.99, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 15% ad valorem and the following applicable rates of duty under the various Philippine free trade agreements (FTA), subject to submission of the corresponding proof of origin:





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2	TCC	(AR)	NO.
	24-	575	

Free Trade Agreement	Applicable Rates of Duty (%, ad valorem)	Proof of Origin
ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement (ATIGA)	0	Certificate of Origin (CO) Form D, Electronic Certificate of Origin (e-Form D), or Origin Declaration by Approved Exporter
ASEAN-Australia-New Zealand Free Trade Area (AANZFTA)	0	CO Form AANZ
ASEAN-China Free Trade Area (ACFTA)	7.5	CO Form E
ASEAN-Hong Kong, China Free Trade Agreement (AHKFTA)	15	CO Form AHK
ASEAN-India Free Trade Area (AIFTA)	5	CO Form AI
ASEAN-Japan Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (AJCEPA)	0	CO Form AJ
ASEAN-Korea Free Trade Area (AKFTA)	0	CO Form AK
Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) Agreement	0	CO Form RCEP or Declaration of Origin (DO) issued by an Approved Exporter

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





Tariff Commission

ADVANCE RULING ON TARIFF CLASSIFICATION

Pursuant to Section 1100 of RA 10863 (CMTA)

1 AHTN 2022 CODE AND 2024 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY

AHTN 1702.90.91 MFN - 3% ad valorem

	TCC (AR) NO.
	24-593
3	DATE ISSUED

4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

"SUCROSE"

Based on the manufacturing process flowchart, product label, and photographs of the product and packaging submitted, subject article is a transparent, amber-coloured liquid, produced by dissolving refined white sugar in boiling water and heating the mixture to 120°C, followed by cooling. Packed in cartons containing four 5-kg jerrycans, subject article is used as a sweetener in food and beverages.

5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

Heading 17.02 of the ASEAN Harmonised Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2022 covers, among others, sugar syrups not containing added flavouring or colouring matter. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that this part covers syrups of all sugars (including lactose syrups and aqueous solutions other than aqueous solutions of chemically pure sugars of heading 29.40), provided they do not contain added flavouring or colouring matter. In addition to the syrups referred to in other sugars (i.e., glucose (starch) syrup, fructose syrup, syrup of malto-dextrins, inverted sugar syrup as well as sucrose syrup), this heading includes simple syrups obtained by dissolving sugars of this Chapter in water.

In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2022 subheading 1702.90.91, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 3% 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

MARILOU P. MENDOZA

Chairperson



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ADVANCE RULING ON TARIFF CLASSIFICATION

Pursuant to Section 1100 of RA 10863 (CMTA)

AHTN 2022 CODE AND 2024 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY

AHTN 3003,90,00 MFN - 3% ad valorem AIFTA - Zero

2	TCC (AR) NO.
	24-617
3	DATE ISSUED
	17 October 2024

4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

"SIFQUINOL 60%"

Based on the technical specifications and physical description of the finished product, manufacturing procedure, applications, and product label submitted, subject article is a non-antibiotic medicament preparation containing halquinol and calcium carbonate (excipient). It is in the form of a light grey to brown powder with a distinctive aroma. Packed in 25-kg bags, subject article is added to feeds at a dosage of 100 to 200 grams per ton of poultry and swine feeds, or as prescribed by a veterinarian, for the treatment of gastro-intestinal infections (e.g., control of colibacillosis and salmonellosis in poultry, and control of dysentery and enterotoxigenic *E. coli* in swine).

5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

Heading 30.03 of the ASEAN Harmonised Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2022 covers medicaments (excluding goods of heading 30.02, 30.05 or 30.06) consisting of two or more constituents which have been mixed together for therapeutic or prophylactic uses, not put up in measured doses or in forms or packings for retail sale. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that this heading covers medicinal preparations for use in the internal or external treatment or prevention of human or animal ailments. These preparations are obtained by mixing together two or more substances. The heading includes preparations containing a single pharmaceutical substance together with an excipient, sweetening agent, agglomerating agent, support, etc.

In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2022 subheading 3003.90.00, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 3% ad valorem and ASEAN-India Free Trade Area (AIFTA) rate of duty of zero, subject to submission of Certificate of Origin (CO) Form "AI".

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







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 2924,29.90 MFN - 1% ad valorem AIFTA - Zero

	24-618
3	DATE ISSUED

4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

"RAFOXANIDE BP VET"

Based on the technical data sheet, certificate of analysis, and material safety data sheet submitted, subject article is pure rafoxanide (C₁₉H₁₁Cl₂I₂NO₃) in the form of a white to off-white powder. Packed in 25-kg bags, subject article is an anthelmintic used to treat adult liver flukes of the species *Fasciola hepatica* and *Fasciola gigantica* in ruminant animals. It has the following chemical structure:

5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

Note 1 (a) to Chapter 29 of the ASEAN Harmonised Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2022 states that except where the context otherwise requires, the headings of this Chapter apply only to separate chemically defined organic compounds, whether or not containing impurities.

Heading 29.24 of the AHTN 2022 covers, among others, carboxyamide-function compounds. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that this heading covers amide derivatives of carboxylic acids and of carbonic acid (but not amide derivatives of other inorganic acids - heading 29.29). The hydrogen of the (-NH₂) or (>NH) groups may be substituted by alkyl or aryl radicals, in which case the products are N—substituted amides. This heading includes cyclic amides.

In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2022 subheading 2924.29.90, 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".

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







Tariff Commission

ADVANCE RULING ON TARIFF CLASSIFICATION

Pursuant to Section 1100 of RA 10863 (CMTA)

1 AHTN 2022 CODE AND 2024 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY

AHTN 0813,40,90 MFN - 7% ad valorem ACFTA - Zero RCEP - Zero

2	TCC (AR) NO.
	24-627
3	DATE ISSUED

17 October 2024

4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

"DXN GOJI BERRIES"

Based on the product information sheet, finished goods specification, product ingredient declaration, manufacturing process flowchart, and product label submitted, subject articles are red dried goji berries (*Lycium barbarum*) with a sweet taste. These are produced using a controlled drying process, with no artificial preservatives and colouring added. Loaded in cartons containing 28 pieces of 350-g packs, subject articles can be consumed directly, used as a food ingredient, or soaked in hot water to make a beverage.

5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

Heading 08.13 of the ASEAN Harmonised Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2022 covers fruit, dried, other than that of headings 08.01 to 08.06. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that this heading includes dried fruits which when fresh are classified in headings 08.07 to 08.10. They are prepared either by direct drying in the sun or by industrial processes (e.g., tunnel-drying).

In view thereof, subject articles are classified under AHTN 2022 subheading 0813.40.90, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 7% ad valorem; ASEAN-China Free Trade Area (ACFTA) rate of duty of zero, subject to submission of Certificate of Origin (CO) Form "E"; and Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) Agreement rate of duty of zero, subject to submission of CO Form "RCEP" or Declaration of Origin (DO) issued by an Approved Exporter.

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







TARIFF COMMISSION

ADVANCE RULING ON TARIFF CLASSIFICATION

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1 AHTN 2022 CODE AND 2024 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY

AHTN 3302.10.30 MFN - 1% ad valorem

2	TCC (AR) NO.
	24-655
3	DATE ISSUED

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4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

"LEMON FLAVOR"

Based on the product data sheet, certificate of analysis, ingredient data sheet, production process flowchart, and packing list submitted, subject article is a flavouring preparation in the form of a white powder. It is composed of natural and nature-identical flavourings (i.e., essential oils and synthetic aromatics), maltodextrin, dextrose (maize), gum arabic/acacia gum, and butylated hydroxyanisole. Packed in 15-kg cardboard boxes, subject article is used as a flavouring in the manufacture of powdered beverages.

5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

Heading 33.02 of the ASEAN Harmonised Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2022 covers, among others, mixtures of odoriferous substances and mixtures (including alcoholic solutions) with a basis of one or more of these substances, of a kind used as raw materials in industry. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that this heading covers the following mixtures provided they are of a kind used as raw materials in the perfumery, food or drink industries (e.g., in confectionery, food or drink flavourings) or in other industries (e.g., soapmaking), among others, mixtures of one or more odoriferous substances (essential oils, resinoids, extracted oleoresins or synthetic aromatics) combined with added diluents or carriers such as vegetable oil, dextrose or starch.

In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2022 subheading 3302.10.30, 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

MARILOU P. MENDOZA

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Chairperson







Tariff Commission

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Pursuant to Section 1100 of RA 10863 (CMTA)

AHTN 2022 CODE AND 2024 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY

AHTN 2309,90,20

MFN - Zero AANZFTA - Zero ATIGA - Zero ACFTA - Zero

AIFTA - Zero

AJCEPA - Zero RCEP - Zero

AKFTA - Zero

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DATE ISSUED

4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

AHKFTA - Zero

"METOSTIM" LIQUID"

Based on the product specifications, product brochure, product information sheet, scientific bulletin, and Certificate of Product Registration from the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI) submitted, subject article is a metabolic stimulant and growth promoter for animals. It is composed of a liquid blend of amino acids, fat soluble vitamins, water soluble vitamins, macro minerals, essential trace minerals, electrolytes, curcumin, osmoregulation factors, and Prokura® probiotic powder. Packed in 1-kg and 5-kg bottles with one pack of Prokura® probiotics, the probiotic powder and liquid blend are mixed well, then added to the drinking water of poultry, swine, and ruminants at different dosages, depending on the animal requirement, to accelerate animal growth at the early stages of life, reduce stress due to farming conditions, and enhance development of the digestive system, among others.

REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

Heading 23.09 of the ASEAN Harmonised Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2022 covers preparations of a kind used in animal feeding. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that this heading covers sweetened forage and prepared animal feeding stuffs consisting of a mixture of several nutrients designed, among others, for use in making complete or supplementary feeds. This heading includes preparations for use in making the complete feeds or supplementary feeds. These preparations, known in trade as "premixes", are, generally speaking, compound compositions consisting of a number of substances (sometimes called additives) the nature and proportions of which vary according to the animal production required. These substances include those which improve digestion and, more generally, ensure that the animal makes good use of the feeds and safeguard its health.

In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2022 subheading 2309.90.20, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of zero and the following applicable rates of duty under the various Philippine free trade agreements (FTA), subject to submission of the corresponding proof of origin:





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2	TCC (AR) NO.	
	24-662	

Free Trade Agreement	Applicable Rates of Duty (%, ad valorem)	Proof of Origin
ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement (ATIGA)	0	Certificate of Origin (CO) Form D, Electronic Certificate of Origin (e-Form D), or Origin Declaration by Approved Exporter
ASEAN-Australia-New Zealand Free Trade Area (AANZFTA)	0	CO Form AANZ
ASEAN-China Free Trade Area (ACFTA)	0	CO Form E
ASEAN-Hong Kong, China Free Trade Agreement (AHKFTA)	0	CO Form AHK
ASEAN-India Free Trade Area (AIFTA)	0	CO Form AI
ASEAN-Japan Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (AJCEPA)	0	CO Form AJ
ASEAN-Korea Free Trade Area (AKFTA)	0	CO Form AK
Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) Agreement	0	CO Form RCEP or Declaration of Origin (DO) issued by an Approved Exporter

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

MARILOU P. MENDOZA

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Chairperson





TARIFF COMMISSION

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Pursuant to Section 1100 of RA 10863 (CMTA)

AHTN 2022 CODE AND 2024 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY

AHTN 2309,90,20 MFN - Zero

2	TCC (AR) NO.		
	24-663		
3 DATE ISSUED			
	17 October 2024		

4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

"YELA PROSECURE"

Based on the Certificate of Product Registration from the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI), certificate of formula, product data sheet, manufacturing process, and product label submitted, subject article is a yeast hydrolysate (from inactivated *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*) in the form of a fine, light-brown powder. It is produced through a controlled hydrolysis of ethanol yeast biomass by endogenous and specifically-selected exogenous enzymes, followed by a two-step evaporation process, and then drying. Packed in 25-kg bags and 800-kg big bags, subject article is added to animal feeds at different levels, depending on the animal species, as a protein source and to support animal performance, digestive health, and feed palatability.

5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

Note 1 to Chapter 23 of the ASEAN Harmonised Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2022 states that heading 23.09 includes products of a kind used in animal feeding, not elsewhere specified or included, obtained by processing vegetable or animal materials to such an extent that they have lost the essential characteristics of the original material, other than vegetable waste, vegetable residues and by-products of such processing.

Heading 23.09 of the AHTN 2022 covers preparations of a kind used in animal feeding. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that this heading covers sweetened forage and prepared animal feeding stuffs consisting of a mixture of several nutrients designed, among others, to achieve a suitable daily diet by supplementing the basic farm-produced feed with organic or inorganic substances (supplementary feed). This heading includes preparations for supplementing (balancing) farm-produced feed (feed supplements). Farm-produced feed is usually rather low in proteins, minerals or vitamins. The preparations devised to compensate for these deficiencies, so as to ensure a well-balanced animal diet, consist of proteins, minerals or vitamins plus additional-energy feeds (carbohydrates) which serve as a carrier for the other ingredients. Although, qualitatively, these preparations have much the same composition as those in complete feeds, they are distinguished by a relative high content of one particular nutrient.

In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2022 subheading 2309.90,20, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of zero.

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

Thomas P Tundan

MARILOU P. MENDOZA Chairperson









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 3302.10.30

MFN - 1% ad valorem AANZFTA - Zero

AHKFTA - Zero AJCEPA - Zero

RCEP - Zero

ATIGA - Zero

ACFTA - Zero AIFTA - Zero

AKFTA - Zero

2	TCC (AR) NO.
	24-665
3	DATE ISSUED

17 October 2024

4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

"FLAVOR CRANBERRY POWDER"

Based on the technical data sheet, ingredients list, certificate of analysis, manufacturing process flowchart, packing list, and supplementary information submitted, subject article is a flavouring preparation in the form of a light yellow to brown powder. It consists of natural flavouring substances (e.g., lime oil and apple extract), nature-identical flavouring substances (synthetic aromatic compounds), maltodextrin, gum arabic, glyceryl triacetate (triacetin), glucose, and acetic acid. Packed in 25-kg cartons, subject article is used as a flavouring ingredient for powdered beverages.

5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

Heading 33.02 of the ASEAN Harmonised Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2022 covers, among others, mixtures of odoriferous substances and mixtures (including alcoholic solutions) with a basis of one or more of these substances, of a kind used as raw materials in industry. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that this heading covers the following mixtures provided they are of a kind used as raw materials in the perfumery, food or drink industries (e.g., in confectionery, food or drink flavourings) or in other industries (e.g., soapmaking), among others, mixtures of one or more odoriferous substances (essential oils, resinoids, extracted oleoresins or synthetic aromatics) combined with added diluents or carriers such as vegetable oil, dextrose or starch.

In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2022 subheading 3302.10.30, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 1% ad valorem and the following applicable rates of duty under the various Philippine free trade agreements (FTA), subject to submission of the corresponding proof of origin:



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Free Trade Agreement	Applicable Rates of Duty (%, ad valorem)	Proof of Origin
ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement (ATIGA)	0	Certificate of Origin (CO) Form D, Electronic Certificate of Origin (e-Form D), or Origin Declaration by Approved Exporter
ASEAN-Australia-New Zealand Free Trade Area (AANZFTA)	0	CO Form AANZ
ASEAN-China Free Trade Area (ACFTA)	0	CO Form E
ASEAN-Hong Kong, China Free Trade Agreement (AHKFTA)	0	CO Form AHK
ASEAN-India Free Trade Area (AIFTA)	0	CO Form AI
ASEAN-Japan Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (AJCEPA)	0	CO Form AJ
ASEAN-Korea Free Trade Area (AKFTA)	0	CO Form AK
Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) Agreement	0	CO Form RCEP or Declaration of Origin (DO) issued by an Approved Exporter

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





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 3808.91.99 MFN - 3% ad valorem ACFTA - Zero RCEP - 3% ad valorem

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4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

"WAKNIS 1.8 EC (ABAMECTIN 18G/L EC)"

Based on the Certificate of Product Registration from the Fertilizer and Pesticide Authority (FPA), certificate of analysis, material safety data sheet, testing report, product label, packing list, photographs of the product, and sample submitted, subject article is a light-yellow to brown insecticide/acaricide liquid containing 18 g/L abamectin (as active ingredient), solvent, and emulsifier. Packed in 500-mL plastic bottles, subject article is applied by bud injection on bananas or by using a knapsack sprayer on cabbages, pineapples, ornamentals, eggplants and other plants, for the control of pests (e.g., blossom thrips, diamond back moths, mites, thrips, leafhoppers, aphids, fruits and shoot borers, and leafminers).



5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

Heading 38.08 of the ASEAN Harmonised Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2022 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 (other than those having the character of medicaments, including veterinary medicaments - heading 30.03 or 30.04) intended to destroy pathogenic germs, insects (mosquitoes, moths, Colorado beetles, cockroaches, etc.), mosses and moulds, weeds, rodents, wild birds, etc. Products intended to repel pests or used for disinfecting seeds are also classified here. These insecticides, disinfectants, herbicides, fungicides, etc., are applied by spraying, dusting, sprinkling, coating, impregnating, etc., or may necessitate combustion. They achieve their results by nerve-poisoning, by stomach-poisoning, by asphyxiation or by odour, etc.

In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2022 subheading 3808.91.99, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 3% ad valorem; ASEAN-China Free Trade Area (ACFTA) rate of duty of zero, subject to submission of Certificate of Origin (CO) Form "E"; and Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) Agreement rate of duty of 3% ad valorem, subject to submission of CO Form "RCEP" or Declaration of Origin (DO) issued by an Approved Exporter.

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FOR THE COMMISSION

MARILOU P. MENDOZA Chairperson









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TARIFF COMMISSION

ADVANCE RULING ON TARIFF CLASSIFICATION

Pursuant to Section 1100 of RA 10863 (CMTA)

1 AHTN 2022 CODE AND 2024 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY

AHTN 3302.10.30

MFN - 1% ad valorem

ATIGA - Zero

AANZFTA - Zero

ACFTA - Zero

AHKFTA - Zero

AIFTA - Zero

AJCEPA - Zero

AKFTA - Zero

RCEP - Zero

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4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

"MEAT B FLAVOR 427-00143-01"

Based on the quality assurance sheet, ingredients list, production process flowchart, safety data sheet, supplemental information, photographs of the product label and packaging, and sample submitted, subject article is a flavouring preparation in the form of an orange-brown to brown, low to medium viscosity liquid with a smoky, roasted meat, and grilled flavour and aroma. It is composed of natural, artificial, and nature-identical flavouring substances, smoke flavourings (consisting of odoriferous substances such as essential oils and synthetic aromatics), vegetable oil, and butylated hydroxyanisole (BHA). Packed in 25-kg carboys, subject article is used as an ingredient in the manufacture of foodstuffs.

5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

Heading 33.02 of the ASEAN Harmonised Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2022 covers, among others, mixtures of odoriferous substances and mixtures (including alcoholic solutions) with a basis of one or more of these substances, of a kind used as raw materials in industry. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that this heading covers the following mixtures provided they are of a kind used as raw materials in the perfumery, food or drink industries (e.g., in confectionery, food or drink flavourings) or in other industries (e.g., soapmaking), among others, mixtures of one or more odoriferous substances (essential oils, resinoids, extracted oleoresins or synthetic aromatics) combined with added diluents or carriers such as vegetable oil, dextrose or starch.

In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2022 subheading 3302.10.30, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 1% ad valorem and the following applicable rates of duty under the various Philippine free trade agreements (FTA), subject to submission of the corresponding proof of origin:





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Free Trade Agreement	Applicable Rates of Duty (%, ad valorem)	Proof of Origin
ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement (ATIGA)	0	Certificate of Origin (CO) Form D, Electronic Certificate of Origin (e-Form D), or Origin Declaration by Approved Exporter
ASEAN-Australia-New Zealand Free Trade Area (AANZFTA)	0	CO Form AANZ
ASEAN-China Free Trade Area (ACFTA)	0	CO Form E
ASEAN-Hong Kong, China Free Trade Agreement (AHKFTA)	0	CO Form AHK
ASEAN-India Free Trade Area (AIFTA)	0	CO Form AI
ASEAN-Japan Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (AJCEPA)	0	CO Form AJ
ASEAN-Korea Free Trade Area (AKFTA)	0	CO Form AK
Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) Agreement	0	CO Form RCEP or Declaration of Origin (DO) issued by an Approved Exporter

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FOR THE COMMISSION

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AHTN 3302,10,30

MFN - 1% ad valorem

ATIGA - Zero

AANZFTA - Zero

ACFTA - Zero AIFTA - Zero

AHKFTA - Zero AJCEPA - Zero

AKFTA - Zero

RCEP - Zero

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DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

"MISO (RED) FLAVOUR JS-640-440-3"

Based on the quality assurance sheet, ingredients list, production process flowchart, safety data sheet, supplemental information, and photographs of the product label and packaging submitted, subject article is a flavouring preparation in the form of a yellow to yellowish, clear, low to medium viscosity liquid with a seaweed and fermented flavour and odour. It is composed of nature-identical and natural flavouring substances (consisting of odoriferous substances such as essential oils and synthetic aromatics), medium chain triglycerides, triacetin, and acetic acid. Packed in 25-kg carboys, subject article is used as an ingredient in the manufacture of foodstuffs.

5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

Heading 33.02 of the ASEAN Harmonised Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2022 covers, among others, mixtures of odoriferous substances and mixtures (including alcoholic solutions) with a basis of one or more of these substances, of a kind used as raw materials in industry. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that this heading covers the following mixtures provided they are of a kind used as raw materials in the perfumery, food or drink industries (e.g., in confectionery, food or drink flavourings) or in other industries (e.g., soapmaking), among others, mixtures of one or more odoriferous substances (essential oils, resinoids, extracted oleoresins or synthetic aromatics) combined with added diluents or carriers such as vegetable oil, dextrose or starch.

In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2022 subheading 3302.10.30, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 1% ad valorem and the following applicable rates of duty under the various Philippine free trade agreements (FTA), subject to submission of the corresponding proof of origin:





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ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement (ATIGA)	0	Certificate of Origin (CO) Form D, Electronic Certificate of Origin (e-Form D), or Origin Declaration by Approved Exporter
ASEAN-Australia-New Zealand Free Trade Area (AANZFTA)	0	CO Form AANZ
ASEAN-China Free Trade Area (ACFTA)	0	CO Form E
ASEAN-Hong Kong, China Free Trade Agreement (AHKFTA)	0	CO Form AHK
ASEAN-India Free Trade Area (AIFTA)	0	CO Form AI
ASEAN-Japan Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (AJCEPA)	0	CO Form AJ
ASEAN-Korea Free Trade Area (AKFTA)	0	CO Form AK
Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) Agreement	0	CO Form RCEP or Declaration of Origin (DO) issued by an Approved Exporter

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FOR THE COMMISSION

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MARILOU P. MENDOZA Chairperson







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ADVANCE RULING ON TARIFF CLASSIFICATION

Pursuant to Section 1100 of RA 10863 (CMTA)

1 AHTN 2022 CODE AND 2024 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY

AHTN 1805,00,00

MFN - 7% ad valorem

ATIGA - Zero

AANZFTA - Zero

ACFTA - Zero

AHKFTA - Zero

AIFTA - 5% ad valorem

AJCEPA - Zero

AKFTA - Zero

RCEP - Zero

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DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

"TULIP CHOCOLATIER BORDEAUX (COCOA POWDER)"

Based on the quality assurance sheet, production flow diagram, specifications sheet, and photograph of the packaging submitted, subject article is an unsweetened, dark reddish-brown cocoa powder. Packed in 2.5-kg kraft paper bags, subject article is used as an ingredient in making chocolate dipping sauces, syrups, frostings, and glazes.



5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

Heading 18.05 of the ASEAN Harmonised Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2022 covers cocoa powder, not containing added sugar or other sweetening matter. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that cocoa powder is obtained by pulverising the partly defatted cocoa paste referred to in heading 18.03. This heading covers only cocoa powder not containing added sugar or other sweetening matter. The heading includes, *inter alia*, cocoa powder obtained after treating the nibs, paste or powder with alkaline substances (carbonate of sodium or potassium, etc.) to increase its solubility (soluble cocoa).

In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2022 subheading 1805.00.00, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 7% ad valorem and the following applicable rates of duty under the various Philippine free trade agreements (FTA), subject to submission of the corresponding proof of origin:





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Free Trade Agreement	Applicable Rates of Duty (%, ad valorem)	Proof of Origin
ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement (ATIGA)	0	Certificate of Origin (CO) Form D, Electronic Certificate of Origin (e-Form D), or Origin Declaration by Approved Exporter
ASEAN-Australia-New Zealand Free Trade Area (AANZFTA)	0	CO Form AANZ
ASEAN-China Free Trade Area (ACFTA)	0	CO Form E
ASEAN-Hong Kong, China Free Trade Agreement (AHKFTA)	0	CO Form AHK
ASEAN-India Free Trade Area (AIFTA)	5	CO Form AI
ASEAN-Japan Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (AJCEPA)	0	CO Form AJ
ASEAN-Korea Free Trade Area (AKFTA)	0	CO Form AK
Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) Agreement	0	CO Form RCEP or Declaration of Origin (DO) issued by an Approved Exporter

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.

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1 AHTN 2022 CODE AND 2024 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY

AHTN 0408.91.00 MFN - 3% ad valorem

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4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

"HEMOPROT® EGG POWDER"

Based on the product brochure, technical data sheet, production process flowchart, certificate of analysis, and product label submitted, subject article is a pale-yellow powder produced from pasteurized and spray-dried whole liquid eggs. Packed in 20-kg kraft bags with polyethylene (PE) liner, subject article is suitable as pet food and for animal feed production (for all species), as a source of highly digestible protein with amino acid profile.

5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

Heading 04.08 of the ASEAN Harmonised Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2022 covers birds' eggs, not in shell, and egg yolks, fresh, dried, cooked by steaming or by boiling in water, moulded, frozen or otherwise preserved, whether or not containing added sugar or other sweetening matter. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that this heading covers whole eggs, not in the shell, and egg yolks of all birds. The products of this heading may be fresh, dried, cooked by steaming or by boiling in water, moulded (e.g., cylindrical "long eggs"), frozen or otherwise preserved. All these fall in the heading whether or not containing added sugar or other sweetening matter and whether for use as food or for industrial purposes (e.g., in tanning).

In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2022 subheading 0408.91.00, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of 3% 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.

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Pursuant to Section 1100 of RA 10863 (CMTA)

AHTN 2022 CODE AND 2024 RATE/S OF IMPORT DUTY

AHTN 2309.90.20 MFN - Zero

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4 DESCRIPTION OF GOOD

"SARVAL PORCINE MEAL"

Based on the Certificate of Feed Product Registration from the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI), product data sheet, certificate of formula, production process flowchart, certificate of analysis, material safety data sheet, and product label submitted, subject article is a porcine meal feed ingredient in the form of a brown grainy powder with a characteristic odour. It is produced by crushing the bones, fat, and offal of swine, followed by mixing, evaporating, decanting, pressing, screening, and milling. Packed in 25-kg bags, subject article is used as a raw material for swine, poultry, and aquaculture feeds and for pet food, as a source of protein.

5 REASONS FOR CLASSIFICATION

Note 1 to Chapter 23 of the ASEAN Harmonised Tariff Nomenclature (AHTN) 2022 states that heading 23.09 includes products of a kind used in animal feeding, not elsewhere specified or included, obtained by processing vegetable or animal materials to such an extent that they have lost the essential characteristics of the original material, other than vegetable waste, vegetable residues and by-products of such processing.

Heading 23.09 of the AHTN 2022 covers preparations of a kind used in animal feeding. The pertinent Harmonized System (HS) Explanatory Notes (EN) state that this heading covers sweetened forage and prepared animal feeding stuffs consisting of a mixture of several nutrients designed, among others, to achieve a suitable daily diet by supplementing the basic farm-produced feed with organic or inorganic substances (supplementary feed). This heading includes preparations for supplementing (balancing) farm-produced feed (feed supplements). Farm-produced feed is usually rather low in proteins, minerals or vitamins. The preparations devised to compensate for these deficiencies, so as to ensure a well-balanced animal diet, consist of proteins, minerals or vitamins plus additional-energy feeds (carbohydrates) which serve as a carrier for the other ingredients. Although, qualitatively, these preparations have much the same composition as those in complete feeds, they are distinguished by a relative high content of one particular nutrient.

In view thereof, subject article is classified under AHTN 2022 subheading 2309.90.20, with a Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rate of duty of zero.

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.

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