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## DENIED PARTY UPDATES

### US

24 denied parties have been added, 53 modified and 2 deleted.  
*Source: Office of Foreign Assets Control; Department of State*

## ON THE ANVIL

### Updates being processed:

Albania  
Argentina  
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## LANDED COST UPDATES

### AMERICAS

#### VENEZUELA

This is an update to Price Band Controls for Venezuela. This update changes the duty rate of several agricultural products such as barley, sugar and whole milk under price band controls. The following HTS chapters are affected: 02, 04, 10, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17, 19, 23, 35 and 38.

*Source: Andean Community*

### ASIA-PACIFIC

#### AZERBAIJAN

This is a rollover for Duty, VAT, Excise and Customs fees affecting the entire tariff.

*Source: Azerbaijan Customs Authority*

#### BELARUS

This is an update for change in Duties and HS description for certain selected products of vegetables. The following HTS chapters are affected: 01, 02, 07, 27, 39, 43, 70, 72, 73, 74, 84, 85, 87 and 91.

*Source: State Committee of the Republic of Belarus*

#### JAPAN

This is an update of Seasonal duty in HS description. It changes the general and various preferential rates for fruit products. The following HTS chapter is affected: 08.

*Source: Japan Customs*

#### PAKISTAN

This is an update for Pakistan - Mauritius preferential duty rate affecting various products across the tariff.

*Source: Pakistan Customs*

#### RUSSIA

1. This is an update for change in Customs duty for certain ceramic containers used in the production of catalyzers.
2. This is an update for change in Customs duty for certain types of machinery used in medical industry. The following HTS chapters are affected: 84 and 90.

*Source: Federal Customs Service*

### EUROPE

#### SWITZERLAND

This is an update to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule for Switzerland. This update includes changes to the import and preferential duties. The following HTS chapters are affected: 07, 10, 11, 15, 17, 21, 22 and 23.

*Source: Swiss Federal Customs Administration*

### MIDDLE-EAST/AFRICA

#### BOTSWANA

This is an update for change in General duty, EFTA, SADC preferential duty rates for sugar and addition of HS classification number for animal feed containing methionine and bag closures of non-cellular polystyrene. The following HTS chapters are affected: 17, 23 and 39.

*Source: South African Revenue Services*

## QUOTA UPDATES

The quota updates for this week include:

1. EU Quota fill-rates.
2. US Absolute Quota fill-rates.
3. US Tariff Rate Quota fill-rates.



## LANDED COST UPDATES contd...

### LESOTHO

This is an update for change in General duty, EFTA, SADC preferential duty rates for sugar and addition of HS classification number for animal feed containing methionine and bag closures of non-cellular polystyrene. The following HTS chapters are affected: 17, 23 and 39.

*Source: South African Revenue Services*

### SOUTH AFRICA

This is an update for change in General duty, EU, EFTA, SADC preferential duty rates for sugar and addition of HS classification number for animal feed containing methionine and bag closures of non-cellular polystyrene. The following HTS chapters are affected: 17, 23 and 39.

*Source: South African Revenue Services*

## REGULATORY UPDATES

### ASIA-PACIFIC

#### JAPAN

This is an update to impose Import Prohibition on poultry products originating in California, the US under the Domestic Animal Infectious Disease Control Law. The following HTS chapters are affected: 01, 02 and 16.

*Source: Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries*

#### NEW ZEALAND

This is a rollover for New Zealand Import Embargoes as per United Nations Sanctions Act 1946.

*Source: New Zealand Customs Service*

## TRADE WATCH

### BIS Order Denies Individuals Export Privileges for Three Years

The Bureau of Industry and Security has issued a final decision and order denying Michele Geslin and Peter Goldsmith export privileges for a three year period due to violations of the Export Administration Regulations (EAR) for aiding and abetting the unlicensed export of a vessel to Cuba. The denial of export privileges for each respondent is suspended for the entire three year period provided that each respondent pays the monetary penalty within 30 days of the Final Decision and Order and that each respondent commits no further violations during the period of suspension.

### FDA Revises Guide for the Control of Molluscan Shellfish

The Food and Drug Administration has posted a revised version of the National Shellfish Sanitation Program's Guide for the Control of Molluscan Shellfish, which represents the FDA's current thinking on the safe and sanitary control of the growing, processing, and shipping of molluscan shellfish for human consumption.

### Two Individuals Charged with Illegal Trading with Iran

The Justice Department has issued a news release announcing the unsealing of an indictment charging Mohammad Reza Vaghari and Mir Hossein Ghaemi with crimes relating to their participation in illegal business transactions with Iran between in or about 2002 and the present.

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