

## IN THIS ISSUE

Bahrain  
Brazil  
Canada  
Ecuador  
EU  
Jordan  
Mexico  
UN  
US  
Venezuela

## DENIED PARTIES

### UN

23 denied parties have been added.

*Source: UN Security Council Committee*

### US

14 denied parties have been added and 16 deleted.

*Source: Office of Foreign Assets Control and Department of Commerce (Bureau of Industry and Security); Office of Foreign Assets Control; Department of Commerce (Bureau of Industry and Security)*

## ON THE ANVIL

### Updates being processed:

Argentina  
Australia  
Austria  
Botswana  
Brazil  
Canada  
Chile  
China  
EU  
India  
Israel  
Lesotho  
Malaysia  
Mexico  
Namibia  
New Zealand  
Saudi Arabia  
South Africa  
Swaziland  
Switzerland

## LANDED COST UPDATES

### AMERICAS

#### CANADA

The Canada Border Services Agency has issued an update to the 2008 Canadian Tariff. The following HTS chapters are affected: 7, 21, 41, 51, 55, 59, 85 and 99.

*Source: Canada Revenue Agency*

#### ECUADOR

The Tariff Schedule has been updated with the incorporation of the WCO 4th Amendment affecting all the HTS chapters.

*Source: Council of Foreign Trade and Investments*

#### MEXICO

Update on 2008 preferential duty rates for the Free Trade Agreement between Mexico, Guatemala, El Salvador and Honduras. The following HTS chapters are affected: 01 to 24, 27, 44, 72, 73 and 87.

*Source: Secretariat of Economy*

#### VENEZUELA

Bi-weekly update on price band controls affecting several food products such as barley, sugar and whole milk. Price band controls fall under the authority of the Andean Community Decision 371 and are regularly updated on the website of the community. The following HTS chapters are affected: 02, 04, 10, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17, 19, 23, 35 and 38.

*Source: Andean Community*

### EUROPE

#### EU

The EU preferential programs were rolled over.

*Source: EU Commission*

### MIDDLE-EAST/AFRICA

#### BAHRAIN

The US Bahrain Preferential agreement has been updated. The following HTS chapters are affected: 02 to 23, 25 to 76 and 78 to 97.

*Source: Bahrain Customs*

#### JORDAN

Jordan - Israel Preferential agreement has been updated. The following HTS chapters are affected: 04, 06, 07, 08, 16, 19, 20, 21, 23, 25 to 32, 34, 36 to 40, 43, 44, 45, 47, 48, 49, 52, 54, 55, 56, 59, 61, 62, 63, 68 to 73, 76, 78, 79, 81 to 91, 95 and 96.

*Source: Jordan Customs*

## REGULATORY UPDATES

### AMERICAS

#### BRAZIL

Anti-dumping Duty has been updated for HTS 31023000 for Ukraine and Russian

**QUOTA UPDATE**

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.

**TRADE WATCH**

### Two Chinese Textile companies Failed Down Garment Inspections

*China Textile Economic Information* reports that pursuant to a sample inspection conducted recently by the General Administration of Quality Supervision, Inspection, and Quarantine of China (AQSIQ), down garments made by Shanghai Mingrui Clothing Ltd. and Chongqing Huayu Clothing Ltd. failed inspections due to substandard shells and filling, respectively, and were asked by the AQSIQ to upgrade their quality within a given time.

**REGULATORY UPDATES contd...**

Federation. The following HTS chapter is affected: 31.  
*Source: Chamber of Foreign Trade*

**US**

Anti Dumping and Countervailing duties have been updated. The following HTS chapters are affected: 01, 03, 04, 07, 08, 16, 17, 19, 20, 21, 25 to 29, 31, 32, 34, 36, 38, 39, 40, 42, 48, 52, 55, 59, 61, 62, 63, 68, 69, 70, 72, 73, 74, 81 to 85, 87, 88, 94, 95, 96 and 98.

*Source: US Customs and Border Protection*

**EUROPE****EU**

The EU Commission have advised a new Exporter review on certain magnesia bricks for the Chinese company Yingkou Dalmond Refractories Co. Ltd. Imports from this company will be exempt from the current anti-dumping duty and must be registered. The following HTS chapter is affected: 68.

*Source: EU Commission*

**CONTRACT ASSESSORIAL UPDATES****Fuel Surcharge Updates:****US-EUR**

TACA members announce that the Bunker Adjustment Factor (BAF) will remain unchanged through March 15, 2008. The current levels are as follows:  
Atlantic/Gulf Coast Ports: \$607/20' \$1214/40'&45'; WM \$61.00  
Pacific Coast Ports: \$911/20' \$1822/40'&45'; WM \$91.00

**CARRIER SERVICE UPDATES****ASIA / S. AFRICA - S. AMERICA**

Hamburg Sud, Maersk Line, and NYK Line have decided to terminate their joint service cooperation in the Asia to South Africa South America East Coast Service (ASAS/NGX) effective April 2008. HSUD and Maersk will continue the service after NYK's withdrawal. In order to guarantee the most comprehensive trade coverage and competitive transit times, the service will call the following ports: Nagoya, Yokohama, Pusan, Shanghai, Hong Kong, Singapore, Tanjung Pelapas, Durban, Sepetiba, Santos, Buenos Aires, Rio Grande, Itajai/Sao Francisco do Sul, Paranagua, and Port Elizabeth.

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