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## DENIED PARTY UPDATES

### EU

2 denied parties have been added.  
*Authority: Official Journal of the European Union*

### UN

18 denied parties have been added.  
*Authority: UN the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1267*

### US

144 denied parties have been added and 54 deleted.  
*Authority: Office of Foreign Assets Control*

## QUOTA UPDATES

The quota updates for this week include:

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

## LANDED COST UPDATES

### AMERICAS

#### BAHAMAS

This is an update for preferential duty rates of Bahamas with European Union member countries, affecting various products across the tariff.  
*Authority: Bahamas Customs*

#### US

US Customs and Border Protection has issued changes to the 2009 United States Tariff. This update adds, deletes and modifies duty rates and certain descriptions. In addition, it adds a new fee, Sorghum fee, affecting various chapters.  
*Authority: US Customs and Border Protection*

### EUROPE

#### EU

1. This is an update to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule for the European Union. This update includes new and invalid HS number, and new, changed and deleted preferential duties, affecting various chapters.
2. This is an update to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule for the European Union. This update includes 2 added HS numbers, as well as the addition of the related preferential duty rates. The following HTS chapters are affected: 32 and 74.
3. This is an update to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule for the European Union. This update includes 32 deleted HS numbers, as well as the deletion of the related preferential duty rates. The following HTS chapters are affected: 03, 34, 38, 39, 70, 74, 76, 85 and 90.

*Authority: EU Commission*

#### MALTA

This is a rollover for VAT rate affecting various products across the tariff.  
*Authority: Malta Customs*

## REGULATORY UPDATES

### ASIA-PACIFIC

#### NEW ZEALAND

This is an update to import regulations for New Zealand. This update make changes to recall the import license requirements for certain selected products of edible vegetables and spices. The following HTS chapters are affected: 07 and 09.  
*Authority: New Zealand Customs Service*

#### SINGAPORE

There are updates to Singapore export and import regulations for certain selected Chemical products. The type of control affected by these updates are: Export Permit and Import Permit. The following HTS chapters are affected: 29 and 90.  
*Authority: Singapore Trade Net, Pollution Control Department (Hazardous Substances), National Environment Agency*



**ON THE ANVIL****Updates being processed:**

Albania  
 Algeria  
 Argentina  
 Australia  
 Austria  
 Bahamas  
 Belgium  
 Bolivia  
 Botswana  
 Brazil  
 Canada  
 Chile  
 China  
 Colombia  
 Estonia  
 EU  
 India  
 Israel  
 Jamaica  
 Japan  
 Lesotho  
 Malaysia  
 Mexico  
 Namibia  
 Netherlands  
 New Zealand  
 Saudi Arabia  
 South Africa  
 Swaziland  
 Switzerland  
 Taiwan  
 Thailand  
 Turkey  
 Ukraine  
 UN  
 US  
 Venezuela  
 Vietnam

**REGULATORY UPDATES contd...****EUROPE****EU**

This is an update on the Tariff rate quota of EU related to the issuing of import licenses for applications Community tariff quotas in the pig meat sector and also for sausages and certain meat products originating in Switzerland. The following HTS chapters are affected: 02 and 16.

*Authority: European Union Customs*

**CARRIER SERVICE UPDATES****US-ASIA**

TSA members announce the following Bunker levels, effective August 1 through August 31, 2009:

- \$580/20', \$725/40', \$816/40'HC, \$918/45'HC, \$16/metric ton or cubic meter

**ASIA-MEX-CAR**

CMA CGM, CSAV, and CSCL are pleased to announce a combination of their direct services between the Far East, Mexico, and the Caribbean. Starting in mid-July, the PEX2 and PACAR services will be replaced with the following rotation: Hong Kong, Chiwan, Kaohsiung, Ningbo, Shanghai, Qingdao, Busan, Ensenada, Manzanillo, Balboa, Cartagena, Kingston, Caucedo, Puerto Cabello, and Port of Spain.

**S.AM-ASIA-AFRICA**

Evergreen and Coscon will combine their existing jointly-operated Far East-South America (ESA) service with the Far East-Africa Express (FAX) service to create a new ESA service. Starting in July, port rotation will include the following locations: Shanghai, Ningbo, Kaohsiung, Yantian, Hong Kong, Singapore, Tanjung Pelepas, Durban, Cape Town, Montevideo, Buenos Aires, Paranagua, Santos, and Singapore.

**TRADE WATCH****OFAC Removes 49 Individuals from Narcotics Sanctions List**

The Treasury Department's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) has announced the removal of 49 Colombian individuals from the Specially Designated Nationals (SDN) list, all either current or former employees of Copservir, a previously-designated entity that operates the retail drugstore chain known as Drogas La Rebaja in Colombia. The 49 individuals removed from OFAC's SDN list have severed ties with the Cali Cartel leaders Miguel and Gilberto Rodriguez Orejuela.

**The US and Colombia Discussed FTA During Recent Visit**

In remarks made at a press conference following his meeting with Colombian President Uribe, President Obama noted that they discussed moving forward on the U.S.-Colombia free trade agreement. The President stated that he has instructed US Trade Representative Kirk to begin working closely with President Uribe's team on how the US and Colombia can proceed on a FTA.

**EU to Allow Sale of All Fruit/Vegetables Regardless of Size, Shape**

The European Commission reports that European Union rules governing the size and shape of many fruit and vegetables will cease to exist on July 1, 2009 when specific marketing standards for 26 types of fruit and vegetables are repealed. The new rules will allow national authorities to permit the sale of all fruit and vegetables, regardless of their size and shape, as they are labeled to distinguish them from 'extra', 'class I' and 'class II' fruit.

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