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World Trade Organization (WTO)

WTO considers EU's trade agreements with Moldova and Georgia

On 22 June 2015, the Committee on Regional Trade Agreements concluded its oral discussions of the European Union's trade agreements with Moldova and Georgia, based on factual presentations by the WTO Secretariat and written questions from WTO members and replies by the parties. Both agreements cover trade in goods and services.

Members adopt report on Ukraine's import surcharge imposed for balance-of-payments reasons

On 19 June 2015, WTO members adopted the report on Ukraine's import surcharge imposed for balance-of-payments reasons, in a meeting of the Committee on Balance-of-Payments Restrictions. Reflecting the views expressed during the consultations since consensus among WTO members could not be reached, the report will be submitted to the WTO General Council for consideration in July.

On [28 April](#) and [11 June](#), WTO members conducted consultations with Ukraine over its surcharge of 5 per cent on imports of industrial goods and 10 per cent on imports of agricultural goods. The measure, adopted on 25 February, was imposed to deal with "exceptional conditions" affecting Ukraine's balance of payments.

Although most members considered Ukraine's measure to be in line with WTO rules — [Article XII](#) of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) 1994 and the [Understanding on Balance-of-Payments Provisions](#) — one delegation was not in agreement.

The report will be presented to all 161 members in the WTO General Council scheduled for the end of July.

Canada's request to suspend concessions in "US — COOL" dispute goes to arbitration

On 17 June 2015, the WTO announced that the Dispute Settlement Body (DSB) at its meeting on 17 June considered Canada's request for authorisation to suspend concessions to the United States in the "US — COOL" dispute ([DS384](#) and [DS386](#): United States — Certain country of origin labelling (COOL) requirements). In light of the US objection to Canada's "excessive" request, the matter is now referred to arbitration. The announcement stated:

The DSB considered Canada's request for authorisation to suspend concessions to the United States in this dispute. In light of the US objection to Canada's "excessive" request, the matter is now referred to arbitration.

*** Canada requested that the DSB authorise Canada to suspend concessions in the amount of CDN\$ 3.068 billion per year (about US\$ 2.5 billion). This was the equivalent of the level of nullification and impairment of benefits suffered by Canada, on an annual basis, as a result of the amended COOL measure. Canada noted the US communication of 16 June 2015 informing of its objection to the amount requested by Canada. Canada understood that, as a result of the US objection, the matter is now referred to arbitration.

The United States noted that, further to its objection to Canada's request, this matter was referred to arbitration. The US said it strongly disagreed with Canada's specific proposal for the suspension of concessions which, in its view, was quite excessive.

The DSB took note of the statements and that the matter raised by the United States in document [WT/DS384/36](#) has been referred to arbitration.

Previously, Mexico withdrew from the proposed agenda its request for authorisation to suspend concessions to the United States, citing an error in its request. A new request by Mexico will be shortly circulated to members.

The next regular meeting of the DSB is scheduled for 19 June 2015.

Kazakhstan's WTO accession package adopted by Working Party

On 10 June 2015, the WTO [announced](#) that Kazakhstan finalized the negotiations of its WTO membership terms with WTO members at the Working Party meeting on Kazakhstan's accession on 10 June. As part of the accession negotiations, Kazakhstan concluded 29 bilateral market access agreements on goods and 15 bilateral market access agreements on services. The announcement stated:

The draft [Accession Package](#), spelling out Kazakhstan's terms of WTO membership, contains:

- the draft report of the Working Party outlining the country's reformed trade regime and its commitments as a WTO member;
- the draft Schedule of Concessions and Commitments on Goods; and
- the draft Schedule of Specific Commitments on Trade in Services.

Members of the Working Party welcomed the conclusion of "one of the most challenging negotiations" in the 20-year history of the Organization. Chairperson Ambassador Vesa Himanen of Finland congratulated WTO members and the government of Kazakhstan — led by Minister Zhanar Aitzhanova, Kazakhstan's Minister for Economic Integration — for a "historic achievement" after 20 years of negotiations.

The complexity and uniqueness of Kazakhstan's accession lies in the negotiations on tariff adjustment due to Kazakhstan's membership of the Eurasian Economic Union (consisting of Armenia, Belarus, Kazakhstan and Russia). Tariff adjustment consisted of resolving discrepancies between bilateral market access agreements negotiated by Kazakhstan with WTO members, [Russia's schedule of commitments](#) and the common

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external tariff of the customs union. This had emerged as the principal hurdle in completing Kazakhstan's market access negotiations.

The draft WTO Accession Package was submitted to members of the Working Party for formal approval and referendum when it reconvened on 22 June and was approved on 22 June. The Working Party will now forward the Accession Package to the General Council for formal adoption by all [161 WTO members](#).

A unique aspect of Kazakhstan's rules commitments is the extent of accession specific commitments "accepted" by Kazakhstan, which will be applicable to and bind the Eurasian Economic Union (EAEU) and its member States on matters falling under the competence of the EAEU. There are 23 commitments which contain measures to be undertaken by "Kazakhstan and/or the competent bodies of the EAEU". Moreover, as part of the EAEU, Kazakhstan undertook commitments to align its tariff concessions (import and export duties), including through future post-accession compensatory adjustment.

Trade Facilitation Agreement update

On 4 June 2015, Australia submitted its instrument of acceptance for the WTO Trade Facilitation Agreement (TFA). Australia joins Hong Kong, Japan, Malaysia, Mauritius, Singapore and the United States. The TFA will enter into force after two-thirds of the 161 WTO members have submitted their instruments of acceptance. The EU is expected to submit its instrument of acceptance in the late fall. Viet Nam told the committee that its government has completed acceptance procedures and that the national parliament was expected to give its approval soon. The Philippines noted that the Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) forum economies have committed to ratify the TFA as soon as possible, and ideally by the WTO's 10th Ministerial Conference in Nairobi in December, in order to express strong APEC support for a successful meeting.

On 11 June 2015, the WTO [reported](#) that sixty-six developing country and least-developed country members have now submitted notifications to the WTO outlining which provisions of the new Trade Facilitation Agreement (TFA) they intend to implement upon entry into force of the pact.

Government Procurement Agreement: Australia seeks to join, status of other country ratifications and accessions

On 15 June 2015, the WTO [announced](#) that Montenegro has ratified the WTO's revised *Agreement on Government Procurement* (GPA) and will benefit from new market access opportunities and other provisions under the pact starting next month. Based on the GPA Committee's decision of October 2014, Montenegro becomes the first WTO member to formally accede to the revised GPA, which entered into force in April 2014 following the deposit of instruments of acceptance by most existing GPA parties.

On 3 June 2015, the WTO [announced](#) that Australia has formally launched its bid to join the GPA, underlining its commitment to work towards timely accession to the pact. The announcement was made at a 3 June meeting of the Committee on Government Procurement where progress was also reported on the accession bids of several pending applicants.

Australia said it planned to submit an initial market access offer for GPA accession within the coming months, which will trigger the negotiations on its entry terms.

At the same meeting, parties to the GPA agreed to accept the requests from Costa Rica and Thailand for observer status in the committee. Thirty-one WTO members now hold observer status; 12 of these observers are negotiating accession to the GPA, with two — Montenegro and New Zealand — having already completed their accession talks.

Pending ratifications

New Zealand also told the committee that its parliament has approved the GPA and that the domestic ratification process was now being finalized, with the country on track to deposit its instrument of acceptance by the 29 July deadline. New Zealand was also accepted as a party to the GPA last October.

Separately, Armenia notified the committee that it has ratified the [revised GPA](#), which came into force in April 2014. The Republic of Korea and Switzerland are the only two current parties to the GPA that have not yet ratified the revised agreement; Korea said it was still awaiting a review of the agreement by its constitutional court, which it described as a procedural step, while Switzerland noted that ratification was linked to changes in its domestic procurement rules which still required review at both the federal and sub-federal levels.

Pending accessions

- Ukraine (submitted draft final offer on 26 May)
- Tajikistan
- Moldova
- China (5th revised GPA accession offer)
- Kyrgyz Republic (delayed due to the recent resignation of its government and its accession to the Eurasian Economic Union (EEU))

The GPA is a plurilateral agreement, which means that it applies only to those WTO members that have agreed to be bound by it. Current parties to the GPA are Armenia; Canada; the European Union (covering its 28 member states); Hong Kong, China; Iceland; Israel; Japan; Korea; Liechtenstein; the Kingdom of the Netherlands with respect to Aruba; Norway; Singapore; Switzerland; Chinese Taipei; and the United States.

Trade Policy Reviews: India, Canada, Chile, New Zealand

The sixth review of the trade policies and practices of India took place on 2 and 4 June 2015. The basis for the review was a [report by the WTO Secretariat](#) and a [report by the Government of India](#).

The tenth review of the trade policies and practices of Canada took place on 15 and 4 June 2015. The basis for the review was a [report by the WTO Secretariat](#) and a [report by the Government of Canada](#).

The fifth review of the trade policies and practices of Chile took place on 23 and 25 June 2015. The basis for the review was a [report by the WTO Secretariat](#) and a [report by the Government of Chile](#).

The fifth review of the trade policies and practices of New Zealand took place on 29 June and 1 July 2015. The basis for the review was a [report by the WTO Secretariat](#) and a [report by the Government of New Zealand](#).

Recent disputes

The following disputes have been recently brought to the WTO. Click on the case (“DS”) number below to go to the WTO website page for details on that dispute. (Dates are dd-mm-yy.)

DS. No.	Case Name	Date
DS495	Korea, Republic of — Import Bans, and Testing and Certification Requirements for Radionuclides (Complainant: Japan). Request for consultations.	21-05-15
DS496	Indonesia — Safeguard on Certain Iron or Steel Products (Complainant: Viet Nam). Request for consultations.	01-06-15

DSB activities

During the period covered by this update, the Dispute Settlement Body (DSB) or parties to a dispute took the following actions or reported the following activities. Requests for a panel are not listed (click on “DS” number to go to summaries of the case, click on “Activity” to go to the latest news or documents) (Dates are dd-mm-yy):

DS No.	Case Name	Activity	Date
DS430	India — Measures Concerning the Importation of Certain Agricultural Products from the United States (Complainant: United States)	Appellate Body issues Report	04-06-15
DS381	United States — Measures Concerning the Importation, Marketing and Sale of Tuna and Tuna Products (Complainant: Mexico)	US appeals Compliance Panel Report	05-06-15
DS434	Australia - Certain Measures concerning Trademarks and other Plain Packaging Requirements Applicable to Tobacco Products and Packaging (Complainant: Ukraine)	Request from Ukraine to suspend proceedings	03-06-15
DS384 DS386	United States – Certain Country of Origin Labelling (COOL) Requirements (Complainants: Canada, Mexico)	Recourse to Art 22.2 (retaliatory actions for non-compliance) goes to arbitration	17-06-15
DS468	Ukraine — Definitive safeguard measures on certain passenger cars (Complainant: Japan)	Panel Report issued	26-06-15

World Customs Organization (WCO)

Sierra Leone, Djibouti become HS Contracting Parties

The WCO [announced](#) that on 12 June 2015, Sierra Leone and Djibouti deposited with the Secretary General of the WCO their instruments of accession to the *International Convention on the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System* (Harmonized System or HS). Sierra Leone, which is located in Western Africa, bordering the North Atlantic Ocean, between Guinea and Liberia, has been a Member of the WCO since 6 November 1975 and becomes the 152nd Contracting Party. Djibouti, which is located in Eastern Africa, bordering the Gulf of Aden and the Red Sea, between Eritrea and Somalia, has been a WCO member since 19 March 2008 and becomes the 153rd Contracting Party.

55th HSC session - classification rulings, classification opinions and EN amendments released

On 8 June 2015, the WCO [announced](#) that the Harmonized System Committee (HSC), at its 55th session in March 2015, examined the Harmonized System classification of a wide range of products, including, *inter alia*, wrist wearable products, commercially known as smartwatches and a drone, i.e., a remote-controlled four-rotor helicopter (quadcopter) with an integrated digital camera. The classification decisions taken at the last (55th) Session of the HSC have now been published. These decisions comprise [Classification Rulings](#), as well as the [Amendments to the Explanatory Notes](#) and the [Amendments to the Compendium of Classification Opinions](#).

Announcements and news releases *[Dates are dd-mm-yy.]*

Date	Title
03-06-15	Latest edition of WCO Integrity Newsletter now available
	WCO Capacity Building support provided to Timor-Leste
	Latest edition of WCO News now available
	WCO Workshop on the Use of PNR in the Asia Pacific region
05-06-15	3rd WCO Regional Workshop on the TFA for the MENA Region held in Bahrain
	National Workshop on PCA conducted in Maldives
08-06-15	Clarification on the classification of smart watches, drones and various other products in the Harmonized System Nomenclature.
	9th Meeting of the MENA Regional Training Group
10-06-15	The WCO's 2014-2015 Annual Report is now available
11-06-15	First WCO Accreditation Workshop for Spanish speaking expert trainers on the Harmonized System hosted by the Dominican Republic
12-06-15	Pioneering WCO Revenue Package workshop takes place in Shanghai, China
13-06-15	Successful conclusion to the 2015 Council Sessions
16-06-15	Sierra Leone and Djibouti become the 152nd and 153rd Contracting Parties to the Harmonized System Convention
	Phase 3 evaluation mission to Qatar
17-06-15	The WCO- WACAM Project conducts support mission to Ghana Revenue Authority (GRA) for Strategic Planning!
	The Revised Kyoto Convention now has 101 Contracting Parties following the accession of Thailand and Sierra Leone
	Successful WCO Regional Integration Conference
18-06-15	Millions USD worth illicit medicines seized in global operation
	Successful operation highlights growing cooperation to combat wildlife crime
19-06-15	Argentina becomes 102nd Contracting Party to the WCO Revised Kyoto Convention
	The nCEN application launched in Asia-Pacific
22-06-15	Large heroin seizure in Ukraine
23-06-15	WCO assists Ghana Revenue Authority to take over classification work from private inspection companies
	Consequential amendments following the Harmonized System 2017 amendments
24-06-15	WCO attends European Trade Policy Day 2015
	New WCO Guide to Customs Valuation and Transfer Pricing
25-06-15	WCO attends ACP Ministerial Trade Committee
	Séminaires de formation sur le contrôle de l'évaluation en douane destinés aux experts et formateurs des douanes de la rd Congo
26-06-15	Programme Global Shield expands to monitor movements of detonators in its efforts to combat the threat of improvised explosive devices (IEDs)

Other International Matters

CITES Notification to Parties

The *Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora* (CITES) has issued the following [notifications to the parties](#):

Date	Title
05-06-15	2015/033 Rhinoceroses (Rhinocerotidae spp.)
08-06-15	2015/034 CANADA – Withdrawal of reservations
15-06-15	2015/035 Registration of operations that breed Appendix-I animal species in captivity for commercial purposes
19-06-15	2015/036 Seventeenth meeting of the Conference of the Parties
23-06-15	2015/037 SINGAPORE – Changes to Singapore CITES permits and certificates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Annex: AVA e-licensing watermark online certificate verification system request form
24-06-15	2015/038 URUGUAY – Security stamps
25-06-15	2015/039 Integration of the CITES Enforcement Authorities Forum with WCO's ENVIRONET

The Americas - Central America

Costa Rica

Customs Resolutions

Date	Series and №	Subject
04-06-15	RES-DGA-042-2015	Imposition of the definitive safeguard measure of an additional 24.88% above the existing tariff of 35% of DAI for a total of 59.88% of the CIF value of total imports of milled rice entering Costa Rica under tariff sub-headings 1006.30.90.91 and 1006.30.90.99 regardless of origin
	RES-DGA-032-2015	Changes in tariff for certain shrimp
05-06-15	RES-DGA-079-2015	Online registration through the Ministry of Finance TICA website of Costa Rican drivers used in international transit of goods

El Salvador

Documents

Date	Series and №	Subject
05-06-15	DGA-005-2015	Imports Under the CAFTA-DR
16-06-15	DGA-006-2015	Notice on complaints to the Attorney General of the Republic

Nicaragua

Nicaraguan Classification Resolutions (Customs Rulings)

The Dirección General de Servicios Aduaneros (Nicaraguan Customs Service) has made the full text of tariff classification resolutions issued from 2004 to the present available on its [website](#). The tariff classification resolutions are based on the common Central American tariff known as [Sistema Arancelario Centroamericano](#).

Panama

Advance Rulings

[National Customs Authority Resolution № 466 of 12 December 2014](#) provided regulations for the request and issuance of advance rulings. To date, 11 advance rulings have been posted for 2015. You may review them at the [Resoluciones Anticipadas Emitidas website](#).

Official Gazette

The following documents of interest to international traders (other than food safety standards) were published in the *Gaceta Oficial – Digital* (Official Gazette – Digital) during the period of coverage:

Publication Date	Title
01-06-15	National Customs Authority (NCA): Resolution No. 219 (May 25, 2015) Amending Resolution No. 419 of 15 January 2015. [Re:Post importation audits]
03-06-15	Cabinet Council: Cabinet Decree No. 14 (June 2, 2015) authorizing the import an additional quantity of rice paddy to address problems of supply shortages
	Food Safety Authority (FSA) : Resolution No. 030-AG-2015 (May 25, 2015) BY Which it is Ordered as a Prerequisite in the Administrative Process that All Powers or Authorization are presented before the Authority, Duly Notarized or Apostilled Abroad.
	FSA: Resolution No. 031-AG-2015 (May 25, 2015) Issuance of the Requirements For Registration of Users in the System of Notification of Food Imports (SISNIA). (FSA): Resolution No. 032-AG-2015 (May 25, 2015) Establishing as the Maximum Time for Importers to Notify the Panamanian Food Safety Authority before the Introduction to the Territory of Imported Foods, 60 Days Before Such Introduction.
10-06-15	NCA: Administrative Resolution No. 231 (29 May 2015) by which the regional administrator of Customs is named for the Pacific Special Economic Zone .
17-06-15	NCA; Administrative Resolution No. 241 (1 June 2015) by which the Commission of Customs Appeals is reorganized
25-06-15	Health: Resolution No. 235 (1 June 2015) new safety requirements for marketing of products containing the active setting Risperidone.
	Health: Resolution No. 243 (9 June 2015) establishes new security arrangements for the marketing of products containing the active Amoxicillin.
	Health: Resolution No. 244 (9 June 2015) new provisions for implementing health registration of information on carriers must be added in the labeling, instructions or insert and case studies of medicines for human use.

The Americas - North America

Canada

Measures target the Crimea Region of Ukraine; additional Russian individuals and entities named as Designated Persons

On June 29, 2015, the Government of Canada amended the [Special Economic Measures \(Ukraine\) Regulations](#) (the “Ukraine Regulations”) to impose specific sanctions against the Crimea region of Ukraine, and added a number of persons to the lists of designated persons under Schedule 1 and Schedule 3 of the [Special Economic Measures \(Russia\) Regulations](#) (the “Russia Regulations”). These amendments to the Ukraine and Russia Regulations came into immediate effect on June 29, 2015.

With respect to the Ukraine Regulations, the amendments added the term “Crimea region of Ukraine”, which is defined as “the Autonomous Republic of Crimea and the city of Sevastopol and includes their land areas and territorial sea.” The amendments now prohibit any person in Canada and any Canadian outside Canada from, among other things: (a) making an investment in the Crimea region of Ukraine that involves a dealing in any property located in the Crimea region of Ukraine that is held by or on behalf of the Crimea region of Ukraine or a person therein; (b) importing, purchasing, acquiring, shipping or otherwise dealing in goods, wherever situated, that are exported from the Crimea region of Ukraine; or (c) exporting, selling, supplying, shipping or otherwise dealing in goods, wherever situated, destined for the Crimea region of Ukraine or any person in the Crimea region of Ukraine. Per the new section 4.2 added by the amendments, certain activities that are performed in furtherance of a contract entered into before June 29, 2015 may be exempted from these newly introduced sanctions measures; however, contracts should be carefully reviewed before relying on such exemptions.

Separately, the names of three individuals and ten entities were added to Schedule 1 of the Russia Regulations, which designates persons subject to the most restrictive sanctions under the regulations, and the names of four entities were added to Schedule 3 of the Russia Regulations.

An unofficial copy of the regulations amending the Ukraine Regulations can be found [here](#). An unofficial copy of the regulations amending the Russia Regulations can be found [here](#).

For additional information, please contact [Paul D. Burns](#), [Brian Cacic](#) or [Jonathan Tam](#) of our Toronto office. Check our [Sanctions Blog](#) for updates and related information.

Consultation regarding the possible addition of Ukraine to the Automatic Firearms Country Control List

Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development Canada (DFATD) has [posted notice](#) of a Consultation regarding the possible addition of Ukraine to the *Automatic Firearms Country Control List* (AFCCL), a list of countries that the Government of Canada has deemed it appropriate to permit the export of these items to and with which the Government of Canada has signed an intergovernmental defence, research, development and production arrangement. There are currently 39 countries listed on the AFCCL.

The *Export and Import Permits Act* (EIPA) requires those who wish to export from Canada any items included on the Export Control List (ECL) to obtain, prior to shipment, an export permit (with exceptions for the export of certain controlled goods and technology to the United States). Applications to export controlled goods or technology are reviewed on a case-by-case basis to ensure that these exports are consistent with Canada's foreign and defence policies.

The EIPA places very strict controls on the export of certain prohibited firearms, prohibited weapons and prohibited devices (as defined in the *Criminal Code of Canada*). Export permit applications for exports of such items are only considered for countries who are included on the AFCCL,

At this time, the Export Controls Division would like to invite stakeholders and the general public to provide their views regarding a possible regulatory amendment

which could result in the addition of Ukraine to the AFCCL. The proposed regulation, if ultimately approved by the Governor in Council, would allow exporters of certain prohibited firearms, prohibited weapons and prohibited devices to submit permit applications for the export of these items to Ukraine. Please note that inclusion on the AFCCL does not guarantee that a permit will be issued for the export of these items, and that all applications will remain subject to the Government of Canada's review process.

The information is required by July 11th, 2015.

Canada and Mexico issue joint statement on U.S. Country of Origin Labelling

On June 4, 2015, Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development Canada [announced](#) that the Hon. Ed Fast, Minister of International Trade, and the Hon. Gerry Ritz, Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food, jointly with Ildelfonso Guajardo Villarreal, Mexico's Secretary of Economy, and Enrique Martínez y Martínez, Mexico's Secretary of Agriculture, issued the following statement on the two countries' next steps at the World Trade Organization (WTO) against the United States' country of origin labelling (COOL) measure:

"On May 18, 2015, the WTO once again confirmed Canada and Mexico's long-standing position that the United States' mandatory COOL requirements for beef and pork are discriminatory and are a violation of the United States' international trade obligations.

"The amended COOL measure, which causes Canadian and Mexican livestock and meat to be segregated from those of U.S. origin, is damaging to North America's supply chain and is harmful to producers and processors in all three countries.

"In light of the WTO's final decision and due to the fact that this blatantly protectionist measure remains in place, our governments today are asking the WTO for a special Dispute Settlement Body meeting to request retaliation rights against the United States, to take place on June 17.

"Canada will request authorization from the WTO to impose over C\$3 billion in retaliatory measures against the U.S., while Mexico will seek authorization for over US\$653 million.

"We continue to call on the United States to repeal COOL legislation for beef and pork and comply with its international obligations.

"The Canadian and Mexican governments will continue to work closely to resolve this important trade issue with the United States in order to defend our farmers and ranchers and maintain jobs and economic prosperity throughout North America."

Miscellaneous regulations and proposals

The following documents of interest to international traders were published in the [Canada Gazette](#). (The sponsoring ministry, department or agency is also shown. N=notice, PR=proposed regulation, R=regulation, O=Order)

Publication Date	Title
06-03-15	Transport: Regulations Amending Certain Regulations Made Under the Motor Vehicle Safety Act (SOR/2015-111, May 15, 2015) (R)
	Health: Marketing Authorization for Gluten-free Oats and Foods Containing Gluten-free Oats pursuant to the Food and Drugs Act (SOR/2015-114, May 19, 2015) (R)
06-06-15	Environment: Significant New Activity Notice No. 18020 pursuant to Section 85 of the Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999 (N)

Publication Date	Title
	<p>Environment/Health: Publication after screening assessment of 19 substances specified on the Domestic Substances List (paragraphs 68(b) and (c) or subsection 77(1) of the Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999) (N)</p> <p>Health/Environment: Proposed Regulations Repealing the Vinyl Chloride Release Regulations 1992 pursuant to the Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999 (PR)</p> <p>Transport: Proposed Regulations Amending the Transportation of Dangerous Goods Regulations (Part 8 – Reporting Requirements) pursuant to the Transportation of Dangerous Goods Act, 1992 (PR)</p>
13-06-15	Health: Proposed Regulations Amending the Food and Drug Regulations – Nutrition Labelling, Other Labelling Provisions and Food Colours pursuant to the Food and Drugs Act (PR)
17-06-15	<p>Environment: Order 2015-87-05-01 Amending the Domestic Substances List (SOR/2015-125, June 4, 2015) pursuant to the Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999 (O)</p> <p>Health: Regulations Amending the Narcotic Control Regulations and the Marijuana for Medical Purposes Regulations (Communication of Information)(SOR/2015-132, June 5, 2015) pursuant to the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act (R)</p> <p>Health: Order Amending the Schedule to the Tobacco Act (SOR/2015-126) (O)</p> <p>Finance: Order Amending the Representational Gifts Remission Order and Repealing Order in Council P.C. 88/2969 (SI/2015-44, June 17, 2015) pursuant to the Financial Administration Act (O)</p>
20-06-15	<p>Environment: Order 2015-87-05-02 Amending the Non-domestic Substances List pursuant to subsections 87(1) and (5) of the Canadian Environmental Protection Act (PR)</p> <p>Health: Proposed Regulations Amending the Food and Drug Regulations (Shortages and Discontinuation of Sale of Drugs) pursuant to the Food and Drugs Act (PR)</p>
27-06-15	<p>Environment: Significant New Activity Notice No. 15310 Rescinding Significant New Activity Notice pursuant to the Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999 [pertaining to the substance silane homopolymer, hydrolysis products with magnesium hydroxide] (N)</p> <p>Environment: Significant New Activity Notice No. 15345 Rescinding Significant New Activity Notice pursuant to the Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999 [pertaining to tin titanium zinc oxide, CAS Registry No. 923954-49-8] (N)</p> <p>Environment: Significant New Activity Notice No. 15367 Rescinding Significant New Activity Notice pursuant to the Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999 [pertaining to the substance ferrate(1-), bis[3,5-bis(1,1-dimethylethyl)- 2-(hydroxy-.kappa.O)benzoato(2-)-.kappa.O]-, hydrogen (1:1), CAS Registry No. 102561-69-3] (N)</p> <p>Environment: Significant New Activity Notice No. 15847 Rescinding Significant New Activity Notice pursuant to the Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999 [pertaining to the substance silica gel, fluorinated, CAS Registry No. 72319-09-6] (N)</p> <p>Environment: Significant New Activity Notice No. 16509 Rescinding Significant New Activity Notice pursuant to the Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999 [pertaining to the substance calcium magnesium hydroxide (CaMg(OH)4), CAS Registry No. 39445-23-3] (N)</p> <p>Environment: Significant New Activity Notice No. 16568 Rescinding Significant New Activity Notice pursuant to the Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999 [pertaining to the substance equino[2,3-b]acridine-7,14-dione, dichloro-5,12-dihydro-, dihydro, dioxo (heteropolycyclic)methyl derivs].(N)</p> <p>Environment: Significant New Activity Notice No. 16877 Rescinding Significant New Activity Notice pursuant to the Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999 [pertaining to the substance rutile, tin zinc, sodium-doped, CAS Registry No. 389623-07-8] (N)</p> <p>Environment: Significant New Activity Notice No. 16878 Rescinding Significant New Activity Notice pursuant to the Canadian Environmental Protection Act,</p>

Publication Date	Title
	1999 [pertaining to the substance rutile, tin zinc, calcium-doped, Chemical Abstracts Service Registry No. 389623-01-2] (N)
	Environment: Significant New Activity Notice No. 16879 Rescinding Significant New Activity Notice pursuant to the Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999 [pertaining to the substancerutile, tin zinc, potassium-doped, CAS Registry No. 207691-99-4] (N)
	Health: <i>Pre-consultation notice</i> — Proposed Tamper-Resistant Properties of Drugs Regulations pursuant to the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act (PR)
	Canada Border Services Agency: Proposed Regulations Amending the Designated Provisions (Customs) Regulations pursuant to the Customs Act (PR)
	Customs Border Services Agency: Proposed Regulations Amending the Passenger Information (Customs) Regulations pursuant to the Customs Act (PR)
	Canada Border Services Agency: Proposed Regulations Amending the Immigration and Refugee Protection Regulations pursuant to the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act (PR)
	Canada Border Services Agency: Proposed Regulations Amending the Protection of Passenger Information Regulations pursuant to the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act (PR)

Restrictive measures

The following documents imposing restrictive measures on imports or exports were published in the [Canada Gazette](#) or posted on a Government website.

Publication Date	Title
06-06-15	Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development (DFATD): Order Accepting the Recommendation of the Minister of Foreign Affairs Concerning the Two-year Review of the List of State Supporters of Terrorism pursuant to the State Immunity Act (O)
29-06-15	DFATD: Regulations Amending the Special Economic Measures (Ukraine) Regulations pursuant to subsections 4(1) to (3) of the Special Economic Measures Act (R)
	DFATD: Regulations Amending the Special Economic Measures (Russia) Regulations pursuant to subsections 4(1) to (3) of the Special Economic Measures Act (R)

CBSA advance rulings

The Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) has enhanced the Advance Ruling ([Tariff Classification](#) and [Origin](#)) and [National Customs Ruling](#) programs by publishing ruling letters in their entirety, with the applicant's consent, on the [CBSA Web site](#).

[See separate section below](#) for the advance rulings posted by the CBSA.

D-Memoranda and CNs revised or cancelled

The following is a list of Canada Border Services Agency D-Memoranda, Customs Notices (CNs) and other publications issued, revised or cancelled during the past month. Also included are Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) notices related to imports or exports. (Dates are given in yyyy/mm/dd format.)

Date	Reference	Action	Title
06-02-15	D4-3-4	Revised	Duty Free Shop – Operational Responsibilities

Date	Reference	Action	Title
06-04-15	D8-2-3	Revised	Application of the <i>Non-commercial Importations Remission Order</i>
06-05-15	D19-6-1	Revised	Administration of the Explosives Act
06-08-15	D17-1-11	Revised	Private Printing Policy and Procedures
06-09-15	D10-17-40	Revised	Tariff Classification of Woven Chenille Fabrics
06-11-15	CFIA		Notice to Industry - Export certification and inspection fees for aquatic animals, fish and seafood products
06-16-15	CBSA Video	New	Border Modernization : Transforming for Tomorrow
06-18-15	D10-14-37	Revised	Determining the Composition of Uppers of Footwear
	CN 15-021	Amend.	Amendments to the Departmental Consolidation of the Customs Tariff
06-19-15	CN 15-022	New	New Import Prohibitions and Requirements for Commercial Importers of Aquatic Species and for Travelers Under the Aquatic Invasive Species Regulations
06-24-15	D8-3-8	Revised	Canadian Civil Aircraft, Canadian Aircraft Engines and Flight Simulators Repaired Abroad
06-25-15	D8-2-1	Revised	Canadian Goods Abroad Program
	CN 15-023	New	Interim eManifest Requirements Respecting Empty Highway and Rail Conveyances and In-transit Highway and Rail Conveyances
06-26-15	CN 15-024	Amend.	Amendments to the Departmental Consolidation of the Customs Tariff
06-29-15	CN 15-025	New	GST Status Code "57" to Include Certain Feminine Hygiene Products

Antidumping and countervailing duty cases

See separate [Antidumping Countervailing Duty and Safeguards Investigations, Orders & Reviews](#) section below.

Mexico

Diario Oficial

The following documents of interest to international traders were published in the [Diario Oficial de la Federacion](#): Note: With regard to standards, only those which appear to apply to international trade are listed. (An unofficial English translation is shown. Dates are mm-dd-yy)

Publication Date	Title
06-05-15	Hacienda: First Resolution modifying the General Rules of Foreign Trade for 2015 and its annexes Glossary of Definitions and Acronyms, 1, 4, 22 and 27
08-06-15	Industrial Property Institute: Extract of the request to amend the General Declaration for the Protection of the Appellation of Origin Mezcal.
06-09-15	Economy: Call for proposals on regulatory cooperation for the integration of second work plan of the Council's High Level Regulatory Cooperation between Mexico and the United States of America.
06-10-15	Health: Modification point 1.2.3.1, of the Official Mexican Standard NOM-252-SSA1-2011, Environmental Health. Toys and school supplies. Bioavailability limits of heavy metals. Chemical specifications and test methods.
06-12-15	Decree amending the Agreement between the United Mexican States and the Republic of Argentina approves Cooperation, Mutual Administrative Assistance and Information Exchange in Customs Matters, made in the city of Buenos Aires, Argentina, on April 7, 2014 and Mexico City, May 14 of that year.
06-12-15	Decree amending the Agreement between the United Mexican States and the Republic of Honduras on Cooperation approved, Mutual Administrative Assis-

Publication Date	Title
	tance and Information Exchange in Customs Matters, signed in the city of Merida, Yucatan, Mexico, on April 30, 2014
06-15-15	Economy: Acuerdo modifying the Acuerdo by which the Ministry of Economy issues rules and criteria of a general character on Foreign Trade
06-15-15	Economy: Acuerdo amending the Acuerdo establishing the classification and codification of goods whose import and export is subject to regulation by the Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources
06-22-15	Economy: Acuerdo establishing the mechanism and criteria for the allocation of quotas for the export of new light motor vehicles to the Federative Republic of Brazil, under the Fifth Additional Protocol to Appendix II "on Trade in the Automotive Sector between Brazil and Mexico " ACE 55 .
06-29-15	Decree promulgating the Free Trade Agreement between the United Mexican States and the Republic of Panama signed in Panama City 3 April 2014 [Continued in other sections]
	Economy: Acuerdo announcing the applicable rate of General Import Tax for goods originating in the Republic of Panama.
06-30-15	Hacienda: Resolution establishing the General Rules relating to the application of customs provisions of the Free Trade Agreement between the United Mexican States and the Republic of Panama and its Annex.
	Economy: Resolution setting forth the names of operators and program numbers of manufacturing, maquiladora and export services suspended.

Antidumping and countervailing duty cases

See separate [Antidumping Countervailing Duty and Safeguards Investigations, Orders & Reviews](#) section below.

United States

[NOTE ON *FEDERAL REGISTER* TABLES IN THE **UNITED STATES** SECTION BELOW: N=NOTICE, FR=FINAL RULE, PR=NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING, AN=ADVANCE NOTICE OF PR, IR=INTERIM RULE, TR=TEMPORARY RULE, RFI/FRC= REQUEST FOR INFORMATION/COMMENTS; H=HEARING OR MEETING; E=EXTENSION OF TIME; C=CORRECTION; RO=REOPENING OF COMMENT PERIOD. *PLEASE NOTE:* MEETINGS WHICH HAVE ALREADY TAKEN PLACE ARE GENERALLY NOT LISTED.]

Presidential documents

During the past month, President Obama signed the following documents relating to international trade, national emergencies, sanctions, embargoes, or blocking orders:

Date	Subject
06-09-15	Presidential Determination No. 2015–06 of May 19, 2015 Presidential Determination Pursuant to Section 1245(d)(4)(B) and (C) of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2012 [Petroleum from Iran]
06-12-15	Notice of June 10, 2015—Continuation of the National Emergency With Respect to the Actions and Policies of Certain Members of the Government of Belarus and Other Persons to Undermine Belarus's Democratic Processes or Institutions
06-24-15	Notice of June 22, 2015 - Continuation of the National Emergency With Respect to North Korea
	Notice of June 22, 2015 - Continuation of the National Emergency With Respect to the Western Balkans
06-26-15	Presidential Determination No. 2015–08 of June 11, 2015—Proposed Agreement for Cooperation Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Korea Concerning Peaceful Uses of Nuclear Energy

President extends national emergency with respect to the Western Balkans

On June 24, 2015, the *Federal Register* published the President's [Notice of June 22, 2015 - Continuation of the National Emergency With Respect to the Western Balkans](#) which extends for an additional year the national emergency first declared in Executive Order (EO) 13219 of June 26, 2001 to deal with the unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security and foreign policy of the United States constituted by the actions of persons engaged in, or assisting, sponsoring, or supporting (i) extremist violence in the Republic of Macedonia and elsewhere in the Western Balkans region, or (ii) acts obstructing implementation of the Dayton Accords in Bosnia or United Nations Security Council Resolution 1244 of June 10, 1999, relating to Kosovo.

The President subsequently amended that order in EO 13304 of May 28, 2003, to take additional steps with respect to acts obstructing implementation of the Ohrid Framework Agreement relating to Macedonia. The national emergency is being continued for an additional year because the actions of persons threatening the peace and international stabilization efforts in the Western Balkans continue to pose an unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security and foreign policy of the United States.

President extends national emergency with respect to N. Korea

On June 24, 2015, the *Federal Register* published the President's [Notice of June 22, 2015 - Continuation of the National Emergency With Respect to North Korea](#) which extends for an additional year the national emergency first declared in Executive Order (EO) 13466 of June 26, 2008 to deal with the unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security and foreign policy of the United States constituted by the existence and risk of proliferation of weapons-usable fissile material on the Korean Peninsula. The President also found that it was necessary to maintain certain restrictions with respect to North Korea that would otherwise have been lifted pursuant to Proclamation 8271 of June 26, 2008, which terminated the exercise of authorities under the *Trading With the Enemy Act* (50 U.S.C. App. 1–44) with respect to North Korea.

The scope of the national emergency was expanded by EO 13551 of August 30, 2010, EO 13570 of April 18, 2011 and EO 13687 of January 2, 2015. The national emergency is being extended for one year because the existence and risk of proliferation of weapons-usable fissile material on the Korean Peninsula and the actions and policies of the Government of North Korea continue to pose an unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security, foreign policy, and economy of the United States.

President extends national emergency with respect to Belarus

On June 12, 2015, the *Federal Register* published the President's [Notice of June 10, 2015—Continuation of the National Emergency With Respect to the Actions and Policies of Certain Members of the Government of Belarus and Other Persons to Undermine Belarus's Democratic Processes or Institutions](#), which extends for an additional year the national emergency first declared in Executive Order (EO) 13405 of June 16, 2006.

The EO was declared to deal with the unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security and foreign policy of the United States constituted by the actions and policies of certain members of the Government of Belarus and other persons

to undermine Belarus's democratic processes or institutions, manifested in the fundamentally undemocratic March 2006 elections, to commit human rights abuses related to political repression, including detentions and disappearances, and to engage in public corruption, including by diverting or misusing Belarusian public assets or by misusing public authority. The national emergency is being extended for an additional year because the actions and policies of certain members of the Government of Belarus and other persons continue to pose an unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security and foreign policy of the United States.

TPA, TAA and extension of trade preferences become law after initial defeat of TAA in the House threatened entire trade agenda

Background: The trade agenda consists of four main components – 1. Trade Promotion Authority (TPA or “fast-track”) which is necessary to complete negotiations on the 12 nation *Trans-Pacific Partnership* (TPP) and the US-EU *Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership* (TTIP); 2. Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) which is a popular program to retrain those whose jobs are lost by trade agreements; 3. renewal of the GSP, AGOA and Haitian trade preference programs, which are very popular in both Houses and both political parties; and 4. a trade facilitation and enforcement bill in the form of a Customs reauthorization. The Congressional leadership and the White House agreed that at least the first three must pass Congress as a packaged deal. Originally, all four were separately introduced, but in the U.S. Senate, the TPA and TAA bills were initially combined into a single bill which passed and was sent to the U.S. House of Representatives. The other two bills had also passed the Senate.

However, on June 12, 2015, by a roll-call vote of 126-302, the House failed to pass that portion of the Senate-passed *Trade Act* (Title II) that would renew TAA. Even though TAA has been very popular with Democratic members, most Democrats joined with conservative Republicans to defeat the TAA, knowing that it would stall, and possibly kill, the TPA because of the agreements to treat them together. A few minutes later, the House voted 219-211 to concur in the Senate-passed TPA portion of the Trade Act. However, by defeating TAA, the entire trade bill was in jeopardy because of the understanding that the TAA and TPA would be linked.

After consultation, the House and Senate leadership decided to send a clean TPA bill to the Senate and then have the Senate combine the TAA provisions with the renewal of trade preferences (GSP, AGOA and Haiti). In accordance with that plan, on June 18, 2015, by a vote of 218-208, the U.S. House of Representatives again passed TPA. This time, it was an [amendment](#) tacked on to [H.R. 2146](#), an unrelated bill (*Defending Public Safety Employees' Retirement Act*) that had already passed the U.S. Senate without TPA.

On June 24, by a vote of 60-38, the U.S. Senate approved the TPA legislation for a second time, but this time as the amended H.R. 2146 from the House of Representatives. The short title of Title I is the *Bipartisan Congressional Trade Priorities and Accountability Act of 2015*. The President signed this bill on June 29, 2015 and it became [Public Law 114-26](#) (Enrolled Bill – Public Law not yet available at press time).

The Senate added the Trade Adjustment Assistance provisions to the very popular trade preferences bill, the [Trade Preferences Extension Act of 2015](#) ([H.R. 1295](#)) for another vote (both previously passed the Senate) which passed (76-22), also on June 24. That action sent the now combined trade preferences and TAA

bill back to the House. The *Trade Preferences Extension Act of 2015* extends the *African Growth and Opportunity Act* (AGOA) from September 30, 2015 to September 30, 2025 and enhances many of its provisions. In addition, the Bill retroactively extends the *Generalized System of Preferences* (GSP) program from July 31, 2013 to December 31, 2017. In order to receive retroactive benefits, importers must file requests for reliquidation within 180 days after enactment of the law. Refunds are to be paid without interest within 90 days of the liquidation or reliquidation. The bill also extends the preferential duty treatment programs for Haiti through 2025 and includes some changes to the anti-dumping laws, the *Internal Revenue Code* and tariff classification revisions for certain “performance outerwear” and “protective active footwear.”

On June 25, 2015, by a vote of 286 - 138, the U.S. House of Representatives [agreed](#) to the amended bill (H.R. 1295) to extend the trade preferences, the preferential duty treatment program for Haiti, and to renew Trade Adjustment Assistance. 111 Republicans joined 175 Democrats in voting for the combined bills. While six Democrats joined 132 Republicans in opposing it. [*The extension of trade preferences was very popular with both parties but the TAA is not popular with conservative Republican members. In a June 11 vote on just the extension of preferences, the vote was 397-32 (212 Republicans, and 185 Democrats voted in favor, 31 Republicans and 1 Democrat voted against).*] The President signed the Trade Preferences Extension Act on June 29, 2015 and it became [Public Law 114-27](#) (Enrolled Bill – Public Law version not available at press time)

The fourth trade bill – on trade facilitation and enforcement (H.R. 644) – passed both Houses in different versions and will now go to committee to resolve differences.

State issues permit to reconfigure and expand Calexico crossing

On June 16, 2015, the Department of State published in the *Federal Register* a [document](#) [Public Notice: 9170] stating that it issued a Presidential Permit to the General Services Administration (GSA) on June 9, 2015, authorizing the GSA to reconfigure, expand, operate, and maintain a vehicle and pedestrian border crossing called “Calexico West” in Calexico, California, at the international boundary between the United States and Mexico. In making this determination, the Department provided public notice of the proposed permit (76 Fed. Reg. 19825, April 8, 2011), offered the opportunity for comment, and consulted with other federal agencies, as required by Executive Order 11423, as amended.

State issues rescission of Determination regarding Cuba

On June 4, 2015, the Department of State published in the *Federal Register* a [notice](#) [Public Notice: 9162] in accordance with section 6(j) of the *Export Administration Act of 1979* (50 U.S.C. App. 2405(j)), and as continued in effect by Executive Order 13222 of August 17, 2001, rescinding the Determination of March 1, 1982, regarding Cuba being a state sponsor of terrorism, effective May 29, 2015. This action is based upon the considerations contained in the memorandum accompanying the Presidential Report of April 14, 2015, regarding Cuba. The notice states that the rescission shall also satisfy the provisions of section 620A(c) of the *Foreign Assistance Act of 1961*, (22 U.S.C. 2371(c)), and section 40(f) of the *Arms Export Control Act*, (22 U.S.C. 2780(f)).

USTR announces effective date of government procurement amendments for Armenia

On June 26, 2015, the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative (USTR) published in the *Federal Register* a notice stating that for the purpose of U.S. Government procurement that is covered by Title III of the *Trade Agreements Act of 1979*, the effective date of the *Protocol Amending the Agreement on Government Procurement*, done at Geneva on 30 March 2012, World Trade Organization (WTO), for Armenia is June 6, 2015.

The *Protocol Amending the Agreement on Government Procurement*, done at Geneva on 30 March 2012 (Protocol), entered into force on April 6, 2014 for the United States and the following Parties: Canada, Chinese Taipei, Hong Kong, Israel, Liechtenstein, Norway, European Union, Iceland, and Singapore. The Protocol entered into force on April 16, 2014 for Japan and on October 15, 2014 for Aruba.

US signs IPR MOU with Paraguay

On June 18, 2015, USTR [announced](#) that the United States and Paraguay signed a memorandum of understanding (MOU) on intellectual property rights (IPR) during a June 18 meeting of the United States-Paraguay Partnership Dialogue at the Department of State. As part of the MOU, Paraguay has committed to take specific steps to improve its IPR protection and enforcement environment. Additionally, the MOU creates a bilateral partnership in which the United States intends to support Paraguay's efforts to strengthen the legal protection and enforcement of IPR, including through the enhancement of creative and innovative industries, to promote Paraguay's strategic priorities of growth and development. As a result of the MOU's signing and the commitments Paraguay has assumed under the MOU to strengthen IPR protection and enforcement in Paraguay, USTR has removed Paraguay from the 2015 Special 301 Watch List pursuant to an Out-of-Cycle Review.

USTR sets country reallocations for sugar TRQ

On June 8, 2015, USTR published in the *Federal Register* a [notice of country-by-country reallocations](#) of the FY 2015 in-quota quantity of the WTO tariff-rate quota (TRQ) for imported raw cane sugar.

On September 2, 2014, the Secretary of Agriculture established the FY 2015 TRQ for imported raw cane sugar at the minimum to which the United States is committed pursuant to the WTO Uruguay Round Agreements (1,117,195 metric tons raw value (MTRV)). On September 9, 2014, USTR provided notice of country-by-country allocations of the FY 2015 in-quota quantity of the WTO TRQ for imported raw cane sugar. Based on consultation with quota holders, USTR has determined to reallocate 157,937 MTRV of the original TRQ quantity from those countries that are unable to fill their FY 2015 allocated raw cane sugar quantities. USTR is allocating the 157,937 MTRV to the following countries in the amounts specified below:

Country	FY 2015 Reallocation	Country	FY 2015 Reallocation
Argentina	11,263	Guyana	3,143
Australia	21,739	Honduras	2,619
Barbados	1,834	India	2,095
Belize	2,881	Jamaica	2,881
Brazil	37,978	Mozambique	3,405

Country	FY 2015 Reallocation	Country	FY 2015 Reallocation
Colombia	6,286	Nicaragua	5,500
Costa Rica	3,929	Peru	10,739
Ecuador	2,881	South Africa	6,024
El Salvador	6,810	Swaziland	4,191
Fiji	2,357	Thailand	3,667
Guatemala	12,572	Zimbabwe	3,143

USTR seeks comments on WTO disputes

USTR published the following document related to WTO disputes in the *Federal Register*:

F.R. Date	Matter	Comments Due
06-30-15	WTO Dispute Settlement Proceeding Regarding Indonesia - Importation of Horticultural Products, Animals and Animal Products [Dispute No. WT/DS478] (N)	07-31-15

NMFS/NOAA announces test of ITDS

On June 5, 2015, the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) published in the *Federal Register* a [notice](#) announcing a pilot test of the International Trade Data System (ITDS) involving the electronic submission of forms and/or data, related to importations of fish products regulated by NMFS, using the Partner Government Agency (PGA) Message Set and Document Imaging System (DIS) components of the Automated Commercial Environment (ACE). The U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and NMFS have developed a pilot plan to test and assess the electronic transmission of import data for tuna, swordfish and toothfish.

The pilot test will involve using the ACE, the NMFS PGA Message Set, the DIS and the Automated Broker Interface (ABI) to transmit the data required for admissibility determinations for entries of tuna, swordfish and toothfish. ABI is the electronic data interchange that enables participants to file electronically required import data with CBP and transfers that data into ACE. Initially, under this test, NMFS PGA Message Set data may be submitted only for formal and informal consumption entries (entry types 01 and 11), filed at certain ports.

The test will commence after July 1, 2015 and will continue until concluded by publication of a notice in the *Federal Register* ending the test. Participants should consult the [web site](#) to determine which ports are operational for the test and the date that they become operational. Comments will be accepted through the duration of the test.

CBP to assist exporters in tariff classification and valuation

On June 18, 2015, U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) published in the *Federal Register* a [general notice](#) describing opportunities available to U.S. exporters to obtain assistance from U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to resolve matters concerning the tariff classification and customs valuation applied to U.S. exports by other governments. By publication of this notice, CBP invites U.S. exporters to submit requests for such assistance.

The *Federal Register* notice states:

Classification or Customs Valuation by Other Customs Administrations Affecting U.S. Exports

By publication of this notice, U.S. Customs and Border Protection emphasizes that opportunities exist to strengthen communication and coordination between industry, CBP, other customs administrations, and the WCO to advance the shared goal of facilitating international trade. Greater collaboration with industry promotes improved technical understanding among contracting parties and helps to foster uniformity in the interpretation and application of the HS Convention and WTO Valuation Agreement.

On matters involving non-uniform tariff classification or customs valuation treatment by other customs administrations, individual parties or firms do not have standing to initiate dispute settlement procedures or consultations under the HS Convention or the WTO Valuation Agreement. Consequently, for a U.S. individual or firm to raise a tariff classification or customs valuation dispute, that party must file an inquiry or complaint with the U.S. government and provide, or assist in the collection of, any information relating to the matter which may be required.

Accordingly, CBP hereby invites U.S. exporters to file with CBP requests for assistance in resolving any tariff classification or customs valuation treatment by other customs administrations affecting U.S. exports. Of course, as a threshold technical matter, in order to provide the requested assistance, CBP must agree with the position of the exporter with regard to the specific matter brought to CBP's attention.

CBP will endeavor to provide an initial response to such requests within 60 days of their receipt. Thereafter, in cooperation with the appropriate agencies, CBP will consider the appropriate course of action, including but not limited to the initiation of consultations or dispute settlement at meetings of the HSC or TCCV at the WCO. The inquirer or complainant will be informed of the progress achieved in resolving the matter. Requests for assistance on tariff classification or customs valuation treatment by other customs administrations affecting U.S. exports should be addressed to U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Office of International Trade, Regulations & Rulings, Attention: Commercial and Trade Facilitation Division, 90 K St. NE., 10th Floor, Washington, DC 20229-1177.

Confidentiality

Information submitted by U.S. exporters concerning requests for assistance may, in some instances, include confidential commercial or financial information, the disclosure of which could result in competitive harm to the business submitter. Such information is, generally, protected under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552) (FOIA), the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552a), and the Trade Secrets Act (18 U.S.C. 1905). If confidential treatment is requested, submitters should specifically designate the information it considers confidential. Such requests will be handled in accordance with CBP Regulations (19 CFR 103.35) regarding the protection of such information.

Regulations and Rulings (R&R), within CBP's Office of International Trade, leads U.S. delegations (which include the U. S International Trade Commission or USITC) at semi-annual meetings of the Harmonized System Committee (HSC) at the WCO. The HSC ensures, at a technical level, a uniform approach to the interpretation and application of tariff classifications under the Harmonized System which was developed and is maintained by the WCO pursuant to the *International Convention on the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System* (the "HS Convention"). CBP also serves with the USITC on U.S. delegations at meetings of the Harmonized System Review Subcommittee, which occur twice per year at the WCO.

R&R also represents the United States at the semi-annual meetings of the Technical Committee on Customs Valuation (TCCV), and the United States currently serves as TCCV Chair. The TCCV was established by the *WTO Valuation Agreement* (Valuation Agreement) to ensure the uniform interpretation and application of internationally agreed upon customs valuation principles, set out in the Valuation Agreement. The TCCV is responsible for the examination of technical

problems arising in the day-to-day administration of the customs valuation systems of WTO Valuation Agreement signatories. In addition, the TCCV renders advisory opinions on appropriate solutions based upon the facts presented. Disputes arising under Article 19 of the WTO Valuation Agreement may be referred to the TCCV for an examination of any questions requiring technical consideration.

CBP makes changes to via waiver program and ESTA fees

On June 8, 2015, CBP published in the *Federal Register* a [final rule](#) [Docket Nos. USCBP–2008–003 and USCBP–2010–0025; CBP Dec. No. 15–08] that adopts, with one substantive change, interim amendments to DHS regulations published in the *Federal Register* on June 9, 2008 and August 9, 2010 regarding the Electronic System for Travel Authorization (ESTA). ESTA is the online system through which nonimmigrant aliens intending to enter the United States under the Visa Waiver Program (VWP) must obtain a travel authorization in advance of travel to the United States. The June 9, 2008 interim final rule established ESTA and set the requirements for use for travel through air and sea ports of entry. The August 9, 2010 interim final rule established the fee for ESTA. The *Federal Register* document addresses comments received in response to both rules and some operational modifications affecting VWP applicants and travelers since the publication of the interim rules. The rule is effective on July 8, 2015.

CBP publishes proposed collection of electronic export manifest information as part of renewal of import manifest collection

On June 10, 2015, CBP published in the *Federal Register* a [notice and request for comments on an extension of an existing collection of information](#). CBP will be submitting the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval in accordance with the *Paperwork Reduction Act*: Cargo Manifest/ Declaration, Stow Plan, Container Status Messages and Importer Security Filing. CBP is proposing to add burden hours for four new collections of information, including Electronic Ocean Export Manifest, Electronic Air Export Manifest, Electronic Rail Export Manifest, and Vessel Stow Plan (Export).

This proposed information collection was previously published in the *Federal Register* (80 Fed. Reg. 17059) on March 31, 2015, allowing for a 60-day comment period. The present notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments. There are no changes to the existing forms or collections within the OMB approval. The document is published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. However, in addition to existing forms, the notice states that CBP will begin a pilot in 2015 to collect Electronic Ocean Export Manifest, Electronic Air Export Manifest and Electronic Rail Export Manifest information. This information will be transmitted to CBP in advance via the Automated Export System (AES) within the Automated Commercial Environment (ACE). The data elements to be transmitted may include the following::

Electronic Ocean Export Manifest	Electronic Air Export Manifest	Electronic Rail Export Manifest
Mode of transportation (Vessel, containerized or Vessel, noncontainerized)	Mode of transportation (Air, containerized or Air, non-containerized)	Mode of Transportation (Rail, containerized or Rail, noncontainerized)
		Equipment Type Code
		Rail Car Order
		Manifest Number
Name of ship or vessel	Exporting Carrier	SCAC (Standard Carrier

Electronic Ocean Export Manifest	Electronic Air Export Manifest	Electronic Rail Export Manifest
		Alpha Code) for exporting carrier
Nationality of ship	Marks of nationality and registration	
	Flight Number	Train Number
	Scheduled date of departure	Date of Departure
Name of master		
Port of loading	Port of Lading	Port of Departure from the United States
Port of discharge	Port of Unlading	Port of Unlading
		Place where the rail carrier takes possession of the cargo shipment or empty rail car
	Consolidator	
	De-Consolidator	
		Car Locator Message
Bill of Lading number (Master and House)	Air Waybill Number	Bill of Lading Numbers (Master and House)
Bill of Lading type (Master, House, Simple or Sub)	Air Waybill type (Master, House, Simple, or Sub)	Bill of Lading type (Master, House, Simple or Sub)
Number of House Bills of Lading	Number of house air way-bills	Number of house bills of lading
Marks and Numbers		Marks and Numbers
Container Numbers		Container Number(s) (for containerized shipments) or Rail Car Empty Indicator
Seal Numbers		Seal Number
Number and kind of packages	Number of pieces and unit of measure	
Description of goods	Cargo description	Cargo Description
Gross Weight (lb. or kg.)	Weight (kg./lb.)	Weight of Cargo (may be expressed in either pounds or kilograms)
Measurements (per HTSUS)		Quantity of Cargo and Unit of Measure
Shipper name and address	Shipper name and address	Shipper name and address
Consignee name and address	Consignee name and address	Consignee name and address
Notify Party name and address		Notify Party name and address
Country of Ultimate Destination		Country of Ultimate Destination
In-bond number	In-bond number	In-bond number
Internal Transaction Number (ITN) or AES Exemption Statement	AES Internal Transaction Number (ITN) or AES Exemption Statement/Exception Classification	AES Internal Transaction Number (ITN) or AES Exemption Statement
Split Shipment Indicator	Split air waybill indicator	Split Shipment Indicator
Portion of split shipment		Portion of split shipment
Hazmat Indicator	Hazmat indicator	Hazmat Indicator
UN Number	UN Number	6-character Hazmat Code
Chemical Abstract Service (CAS) Registry Number		
Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) or Product Identification Number		
		Mexican Pedimento Number

Written comments should be received on or before July 10, 2015 to be assured of consideration.

Miscellaneous CBP Federal Register documents

The following documents not discussed above were published by CBP in the *Federal Register*. [Note that multiple listings of approved gaugers and laboratories reflects different locations and/or products.]

F.R. Date	Subject
06-01-15	Accreditation and Approval of Intertek USA, Inc., as a Commercial Gauger and Laboratory (Texas City, TX) (N)
06-03-15	Agency Information Collection Activities: Application for Foreign-Trade Zone Admission and/or Status Designation, and Application for Foreign-Trade Zone Activity Permit (N/RFC)
06-04-15	Accreditation and Approval of Inspectorate America Corporation, as a Commercial Gauger and Laboratory (Pasadena, TX) (N)
	Accreditation and Approval of Laboratory Service, Inc., as a Commercial Gauger and Laboratory (Seabrook, TX) (N)
	Accreditation and Approval of Saybolt LP as a Commercial Gauger and Laboratory (Linden, NJ) (N)
	Accreditation and Approval of Saybolt LP as a Commercial Gauger and Laboratory (Tukwila, WA) (N)
06-05-15	Approval of Saybolt LP as a Commercial Gauger (Clarksville, IN) (N)
	Agency Information Collection Activities: Customs Declaration (CBP Form 6059B) (N)
06-09-15	Suspension of Altol Chemical and Environmental Laboratory as a Customs-Accredited Laboratory (Ponce, PR) (N)
	Accreditation and Approval of Bennett Testing Service, Inc., as a Commercial Gauger and Laboratory (Rahway, NJ) (N)
06-10-15	Agency Information Collection Activities: Cargo Manifest/Declaration, Stow Plan, Container Status Messages and Importer Security Filing (N)

US, UK partnership goes after illegal vehicle trade

On June 29, 2015, CBP [announced](#) that it had expanded its partnership with counterparts in the United Kingdom (UK) in order to combat illegal vehicle trafficking. At an event at the U.S. Embassy in London, CBP and the UK National Police Chief's Council, National Vehicle Crime Intelligence Service (NaVCIS) and the UK Border Force signed a Letter of Intent (LOI) to share law enforcement information in order to intercept illegal vehicles imports. The announcement stated:

The agreement marks the beginning of several days of working sessions toward expanding [Operation Atlantic](#), the joint trade enforcement operation that targets illegal vehicle imports, onto the European continent.

Launched in March 2014, Operation Atlantic is a joint U.S. and U.K. trade enforcement initiative to seize illegal vehicle imports.

In the U.S., Operation Atlantic involves the teamwork of personnel at CBP's Commercial Analysis and Targeting Center (CTAC) and CBP officers and import specialists at ports of entry. Armed with information from its counterparts in the U.K., CBP personnel can more effectively target illegal vehicle imports.

Over the past year, inspections of imported vehicles, specifically Austin Minis and Land Rover Defenders, have dramatically increased with more than 500 vehicles examined. Much of the activity was spurred as a result of Operation Atlantic.

This week will also see the beginning of increased efforts with other European counterparts to focus trade enforcement efforts on unsafe and illegal vehicle trafficking. Through leveraging CBP's Container Security Initiative program, customs and law en-

forcement entities on the European continent will work together with CBP officers stationed in country to intercept suspect vehicles and to exchange enforcement information.

CBP introduces Phase III for CEEs post-release processes

[Delegation Order, Number 14-004, effective on September 11, 2014](#), delegates all authorities provided for in Title 19, Code of Federal Regulations that are vested in Port Directors, to the Directors, Centers of Excellence & Expertise (Center Directors). The Delegation Order does not remove any authority from the Port Directors but serves to share trade authority until full regulatory changes are completed.

On June 23, 2015, CBP issued [CSMS# 15-000390](#) which announced that as of June 29, 2015, the Center Directors for the Petroleum, Natural Gas & Minerals (PNGM) and the Pharmaceuticals, Health & Chemicals (PHC) Centers of Excellence and Expertise (Centers) will assume trade authority for post-release trade processes of entry summaries for the respective industry tariff lines filed in the Ports of Entry listed below.

PHC		PNGM
Atlanta	New Orleans	Atlanta
Baltimore	Portland	Baltimore
Boston	San Diego	Boston
Chicago	San Francisco	Miami
Detroit	San Juan	New Orleans
Houston	Tampa	New York
Miami	Tucson	San Juan
		Tampa

Entry summary filing procedures and document submission processes will remain the same for brokers and importers. CBP will consolidate post-release processing to provide an increased level of uniformity and certainty.

An appropriate level of trade staff at these Service Port locations will be transitioned to the CEE to support Center operations. The Center Director will have full authority for trade decisions for the respective industry tariff lines.

C-TPAT Portal 2.0 Phase II with exporter applications now “live”

On June 2, 2015, CBP announced through [CSMS# 15-000318](#) that C-TPAT Portal 2.0 Phase II was now live.

Portal 2.0 Phase II includes enhancements to the account management tool, as well as a new format for the Security Profile, which will allow C-TPAT Partners with multiple accounts to potentially manage these accounts jointly in the future. The improvement corrects many of the error messages and system issues that users experienced in Portal 2.0 Phase I. The Portal 2.0 Phase II enhancement introduces the Exporter application and allows interested companies to complete the Exporter application within the C-TPAT Portal.

As a benefit, those importers who have previously signed the Export Agreement have automatically had their C-TPAT Security Model Expanded to include the Exporter minimum security criteria that now require responses, as well as other data fields unique

to Exporters that must be completed. Companies that desire to initiate a brand new Security Model application to C-TPAT as an Exporter may also apply.

Importers that have not previously chosen to sign the Export Agreement will be able to Expand their Security Model upon the next software release, in mid-June.

Check www.cbp.gov/CTPAT for instructions to complete annual reviews, and training materials related to common C-TPAT processes.

As always, Partners should initially contact their assigned Supply Chain Security Specialist (SCSS) with any questions. If your SCSS is not available, you may also contact C-TPAT management for policy related questions at your assigned field office via the following addresses:

- Buffalo, NY: ctpatfieldofficebuffalo@cbp.dhs.gov
- Houston, TX: ctpatfieldofficehouston@cbp.dhs.gov
- Los Angeles, CA: ctpatfieldofficelosangeles@cbp.dhs.gov
- Miami, FL: ctpatfieldofficemiami@cbp.dhs.gov
- New York, NY: ctpatfieldofficenewyork@cbp.dhs.gov
- Newark, NJ: c-tpatfieldoffice-newark@cbp.dhs.gov

Revocations or modifications of CBP rulings

[See separate section below.](#)

CSMS messages

The following CBP Cargo Systems Messaging Service (CSMS) notices were issued during the period covered by this Update:

Date	CSMS#	Title
06-02-15	15-000318	C-TPAT Portal 2.0 Phase II Deployment Update
	15-000319	ACE Certification Deployment Wednesday June 3, 2015
06-03-15	15-000320	ACE Certification Environment Now Available!
	15-000321	ACE Certification Outage for June 4, 2015
	15-000322	Air Outage Window Schedule - June 6-7, 2015
	15-000323	Air Outage Window Schedule and User Support - June 6-7, 2015
06-04-15	15-000324	ACE Certification Environment Now Available!
	15-000325	ePTT request receiving PTT Data Accepted
	15-000326	ACE Certification Deployment Friday June 5, 2015
	15-000327	CBP infrastructure upgrade performed Monday, 6/8/2015 @ 05:00 ET.
	15-000328	Air Outage Window Schedule - June 6-7, 2015
	15-000329	CBP Contact Information for Policy Questions Related to Partner Government
06-05-15	15-000330	ACE Certification Environment Now Available!
	15-000331	CBP Outage – FDA Prior Notice Scenario 5 Contingency June 6, 2015 – 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM
	15-000332	ACE Certification Deployment 5:00PM Friday June 5, 2015
	15-000333	REMINDER - Air Outage Window Schedule and User Support June 6-7, 2015
	15-000334	REMINDER - Air Outage Window Schedule - June 6-7, 2015
	15-000335	ePTT Correction Deployed Friday, 6/5/2015
	15-000336	FTZ Admission (e-214) filing rules affected by enhancements to CBP Manifest systems
	15-000337	FTZ Admission (e-214) processing & validation enhancements NOW available in Certification
	15-000338	FTZ Admission (e-214) processing & validation enhancements NOW available in Certification
06-07-15	15-000339	REMINDER - Air In-bond (QW/WX) Transactions 6/7/2015

Date	CSMS#	Title
	15-000340	COMPLETE - Air Outage COMPLETE June 7, 2015
	15-000341	ACE Production Backlog UPDATE Today 6/7/2015
	15-000342	ACE Air Manifest Production Backlog UPDATE Today 6/7/2015
	15-000343	ACE Production is Now Processing All Messages in Real Time
06-08-15	15-000344	Publication of Federal Register Notice Announcing the NMFS Pilot Test
	15-000345	Updated ACE Development / Deployment Schedule posted to CBP.gov
	15-000346	Emergency ACE Outage on June 9, 2015 from 0001 Hours to 0200 Hours ET
	15-000347	ACS Entries Not Processing
06-09-15	15-000348	ACE Production Outage is Now COMPLETE
	15-000349	The June 2015 Update to the ACEpedia Has Been Posted to CBP.gov
	15-000350	ACE Air Manifest Notifications June 9, 2015
06-10-15	15-000351	ACE Certification Deployment, Wednesday, June 10, 2015
	15-000352	Reminder: Use CQ Query in ACE to Query Air Waybills
	15-000353	Reminder: Air Inbond Functionality Transitioned from ACS to ACE
	15-000354	ACE CERTIFICATION Outage for June 11, 2015
06-11-15	15-000355	Status of ACE Air Manifest Transition to ACE
	15-000356	Delay in Query Results for ACE Cargo/Manifest/Entry Release (CQ) Processing
	15-000357	Resolved: Query Results for ACE Cargo/Manifest/Entry Release (CQ) Processing
	15-000358	Updated EPA Supplemental CATAIR Guidelines V6.02 Dated May 15, 2015
	15-000359	ACE Certification Deployment Friday, June 12, 2015
06-12-15	15-000360	Delay in ACE Air Manifest Processing
	15-000361	HAITI Electronic Visa Outage
	15-000362	Weekly ACE Production Outage beginning Saturday, June 13, 2015
	15-000363	Air Deployment - Saturday, June 13, 2015
	15-000364	Emergency ACE Outage Tonight, Friday, June 12, 2015
06-13-15	15-000365	Rail Consists are Running Behind
	15-000366	Rail Consist Delay Resolved
06-15-15	15-000367	Updated TTB ACE Filing Instructions for TTB Regulated Commodities V6.0 - June 10, 2015
	15-000368	Updated TTB ACE Filing Instructions for TTB Regulated Commodities V6.0 - June 10, 2015
	15-000369	ISF Processing Outage
	15-000370	Emergency ACE Certification Outage for Entry Summary Processing
06-16-15	15-000371	Updated National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) PGA Message Set Guidelines-June 15, 2015
	15-000372	Updated National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) PGA Message Set Guidelines-June 15, 2015
	15-000373	ACE Air Fix Deployment, 6:00 am ET, Wednesday June 17, 2015
06-17-15	15-000374	ACE Air Manifest sending multiple responses
06-18-15	15-000375	ACE Certification Deployment Thursday, June 18, 2015
	15-000376	ACE Certification Environment Now Available!
	15-000377	QX/WX Application Not Available
	15-000378	Updated Food & Drug Administration Supplemental Guidelines Release 2.2 Update-06/12/2015
06-19-15	15-000379	ACE Portal Certificate Issue
	15-000380	ACE Air Manifest Processing Issues Today 6/19/2015
	15-000381	Resolved - ACE Portal Certificate Issue
	15-000382	Update - ACE Air Manifest Processing Issues on 6/18/2015 @ 24:00ET
	15-000383	System Issue - Output Batch Number - 999999

Date	CSMS#	Title
	15-000384	Updates to PGA Message Set documents
	15-000385	Two ACE Air Manifest Deployments Tonight June 19, 2015
	15-000386	Deploying the 2nd emergency Air Manifest fix now
06-23-15	15-000387	ACE Reports Not Consistently Returning Data
	15-000388	Improperly Formatted KR responses
	15-000389	Updated ACE Cargo Release Business Process Document
	15-000390	Delegation Order Regarding Centers of Excellence and Expertise
	15-000391	Resolved - ACE Reports Not Consistently Returning Data
	15-000392	Non-Invasive Deployment Tonight 6/19/2015 starting at midnight
	15-000393	ACE Air Notifications generated between 6:15pm EST and 9:30pm EST are delayed
		15-000394
06-25-15	15-000395	Complete - ACE Air Manifest Deployment Today 6/25/2015 @ 3:00PM ET
	15-000396	ACE Deployment E, July 27, 2015
	15-000397	Changes to the Importer Bond Query
	15-000398	CBP ACS Connection issue Today 6/25/2015
	15-000399	Resolved - CBP ACS and ACE Connection issue Today 6/25/2015
	15-000400	ACE Certification Deployment Friday June 26, 2015
		15-000401
06-26-15	15-000402	QP Transactions Not Processing
	15-000403	Resolve - QP Transactions Not Processing
	15-000404	UPDATE - ACE Deployment E, June 27th
		15-000405
06-29-15	15-000406	CQ transmissions not currently processing
	15-000407	CQ issue resolved
	15-000408	ISF Issue Resolved
	15-000409	ACE Certification Deployment Monday June 29, 2015
06-30-15	15-000410	June 2015 WCO News: Customs Laboratories in the U.S.
	15-000411	San Francisco Custom House Phone Outage
	15-000412	New ACE Reports Data Dictionary For Exporters
	15-000413	ACE Air Deployment Wednesday, July 1, 2015 at 6:00 AM ET

Continuation of Certain Temporary Sanctions Relief Implementing the Joint Plan of Action, as Extended

On June 30, 2015, the P5 + 1 (China, France, Germany, Russia, the United Kingdom, and the United States), EU, and Iran decided by mutual consent to extend the Joint Plan of Action (JPOA) for seven days in order to continue negotiations to reach a comprehensive solution.

Accordingly, the Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) published on its Web site the joint Treasury/State [Guidance on the Continuation of Certain Temporary Sanctions Relief Implementing the Joint Plan of Action, as Extended](#). Check our [Sanctions Blog](#) for updates and related information.

State publishes information on temporary Iran sanctions relief

On June 5, 2015, the Department of State published in the *Federal Register* a [notice](#) [Public Notice: 9163] regarding the provision of certain temporary and limited sanctions relief in order to implement the Joint Plan of Action of November 24, 2013, between the P5+1 and the Islamic Republic of Iran, as extended through June 30, 2015.

On November 24, 2013, the United States and its partners in the P5+1 – France, the United Kingdom, Russia, China, and Germany – reached an initial understanding with Iran, outlined in a Joint Plan of Action (JPOA), that halts progress on its nuclear pro-

gram and rolls it back in key respects. In return, the P5+1 committed to provide limited, temporary, and targeted sanctions relief to Iran.

The JPOA was renewed by mutual consent of the P5+1 and Iran on July 19, 2014, and again on November 24, 2014, extending the temporary sanctions relief provided under the JPOA to cover the period beginning on November 24, 2014, and ending June 30, 2015 (the Extended JPOA Period), in order to continue negotiations aimed at achieving a long-term comprehensive solution to ensure that Iran's nuclear program will be exclusively peaceful.

On April 2, 2015, the P5+1 and Iran reached an understanding on the parameters of a "Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA)." While these parameters do not relieve, suspend, or terminate any additional sanctions for Iran, they do reflect the significant progress that has been made towards reaching a final deal with Iran that will address its nuclear program in a way that satisfies the international community. In order to continue to facilitate progress in negotiating a comprehensive deal, and to the extent required to continue implementing the sanctions relief called for in the JPOA, as extended, the Secretary has exercised waivers of certain sanctions.

The Notice outlines the U.S. government actions taken to continue implementing the sanctions relief aspects of the JPOA, as extended.

The effective dates of these waiver actions are as described in the determinations set forth in the *Federal Register* notice. Check our [Sanctions Blog](#) for updates and related information.

OFAC amends Cuban Assets Control Regulations; Terrorism List Governments Sanctions Regulations

On June 15, 2015, the Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) published in the *Federal Register* a [final rule](#) amending the *Terrorism List Governments Sanctions Regulations* to replace the list of countries designated as supporting international terrorism with information on the availability of state sponsor of terrorism determination and rescission decisions in the *Federal Register* and the availability of a current list of state sponsors of terrorism maintained on the Web site of the Department of State. A conforming amendment is made to the *Cuban Assets Control Regulations*. The final rule was effective on June 15, 2015.

BIS and State propose regulations for toxicological agents and directed energy weapons

On June 17, 2015, the Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS) published in the *Federal Register* a [proposed rule](#) [Docket No. 120105019-5328-01] describing how articles the President determines no longer warrant control under Category XIV (Toxicological Agents, Including Chemical Agents, Biological Agents, and Associated Equipment) or Category XVIII (Directed Energy Weapons) of the *United States Munitions List* (USML) would be controlled under the *Commerce Control List* (CCL). The affected Category XIV articles consist primarily of dissemination, detection and protection "equipment" and related articles and would be controlled under new Export Control Classification Numbers (ECCNs) 1A607, 1B607, 1C607, 1D607, and 1E607, as proposed by this rule. The affected Category XVIII articles consist primarily of tooling, production "equipment," test and evaluation "equipment," test models and related articles and would be controlled under new ECCNs 6B619, 6D619 and 6E619, as proposed by this rule.

This rule is one in a series of proposed rules describing how various types of articles that the President determines no longer warrant control on the USML, as part of the Administration's Export Control Reform Initiative, would be controlled on the CCL in accordance with the requirements of the *Export Administration Regulations* (EAR).

This proposed rule is being published by the BIS in conjunction with a proposed rule from the Department of State, Directorate of Defense Trade Controls, which would amend the list of articles controlled by USML Categories XIV and XVIII. The citations in this BIS proposed rule to USML Categories XIV and XVIII reflect the proposed amendments contained in the Department of State's rule. The revisions proposed by BIS in this rule are part of Commerce's retrospective regulatory review plan under Executive Order 13563 completed in August 2011.

In conjunction with the above publication, on June 17, 2015, the Department of State also published in the *Federal Register* a [proposed rule](#) [Public Notice: 9166] to amend the *International Traffic in Arms Regulations* (ITAR) to revise Categories XIV (toxicological agents, including chemical agents, biological agents, and associated equipment) and XVIII (directed energy weapons) of the USML to describe more precisely the articles warranting control on the USML. The revisions contained in the rule are part of the Department of State's retrospective plan under E.O. 13563 completed on August 17, 2011. The Department of State's full plan can be accessed [here](#).

The proposed rule revises USML Category XIV, covering toxicological agents, including chemical agents, biological agents, and associated equipment, and USML Category XVII, covering directed energy weapons. The revisions are proposed in order to advance the national security objectives of greater interoperability with U.S. allies, enhancing the defense industrial base, and permitting the U.S. government to focus its resources on transactions of greater concern. Additionally, the revisions are intended to more accurately describe the articles within the subject categories, in order to establish a "bright line" between the USML and the CCL for the control of these articles.

See the BIS and State notices for the specific proposals. Comments on both proposals must be received by August 17, 2015.

BIS Implements the Australia Group (AG) November 2013 Intersessional Decisions

On June 16, 2015, the BIS published in the *Federal Register* a [final rule](#) [Docket No. 141229999-4999-01] to amend the *Export Administration Regulations* (EAR) to implement the recommendations presented at the November 2013 Australia Group (AG) intersessional implementation meeting and later adopted pursuant to the AG silent approval procedure. Specifically, the rule amends the Commerce Control List (CCL) entry in the EAR that controls certain human and zoonotic pathogens and toxins, and removes the CCL entry that controls certain animal pathogens to reflect the merger of two AG common control lists based on recommendations presented at the AG intersessional implementation meeting. As a result of these recommendations, the AG "*List of Animal Pathogens for Export Control*" was merged with the AG "*List of Biological Agents for Export Control*," creating a single AG common control list for these items (i.e., the AG "*List of Human and Animal Pathogens and Toxins for Export Control*"). The scope of the controls on these human and animal pathogens and toxins was not affected by the merger of the two lists into a single AG common control list. This rule also makes conforming amendments to other provisions in the EAR to reflect these changes.

In addition, the rule amends the CCL entry that controls chemical manufacturing facilities and equipment to reflect changes to the AG "*Control List of Dual-Use Chemical Manufacturing Facilities and Equipment and Related Technology and*

Software,” based on the November 2013 AG intersessional recommendation to revise controls on certain valves, casings (valve bodies) designed for such valves, and preformed casing liners designed for such valves. The rule also amends this CCL entry to add a Technical Note clarifying how the terms “multi-seal” and “seal-less” are used with respect to the controls on pumps. In a change unrelated to any revisions to the AG common control lists or guidelines, this rule also amends this CCL entry to authorize the use of License Exception LVS for specified shipments.

This rule does not contain changes based on the understandings reached at the June 2014 AG Plenary meeting, because no amendments to the EAR were required as a result of these understandings.

BIS posts FAQs on intrusion and surveillance items

The BIS has posted [FAQs on Intrusion and Surveillance Items](#) to provide guidance on the proposed new controls that were published in the *Federal Register* ([80 Fed. Reg. 28853](#)) on May 20, 2015 to implement the agreements reached with regard to systems, equipment or components specially designed for the generation, operation or delivery of, or communication with, intrusion software at the December 2013 Wassenaar Arrangement (WA) Plenary meeting.

BIS and DDTC propose revisions to EAR and ITAR definitions

On June 3, 2015, the BIS published in the *Federal Register* a [proposed rule](#) [Docket No. 141016858–5228–01] that would revise the EAR to include the definitions of “technology,” “required,” “peculiarly responsible,” “proscribed person,” “published,” results of “fundamental research,” “export,” “reexport,” “release,” “transfer,” and “transfer (in-country)” to enhance clarity and consistency with terms also found on the *International Traffic in Arms Regulations* (ITAR), which is administered by the Department of State, Directorate of Defense Trade Controls (DDTC). This rulemaking also proposes amendments to the Scope part of the EAR to update and clarify application of controls to electronically transmitted and stored technology and software. DDTC is concurrently publishing comparable proposed amendments to the ITAR’s definitions of “technical data,” “required,” “peculiarly responsible,” “public domain,” results of “fundamental research,” “export,” “reexport,” “release,” and “retransfer” for the same reasons. Finally, this rulemaking proposes conforming changes to related provisions. This proposed rule is part of the Administration’s Export Control Reform Initiative. The Initiative will enhance U.S. national and economic security, facilitate compliance with export controls, update the controls, and reduce unnecessary regulatory burdens on U.S. exporters.

On the same date, the Department of State published in the *Federal Register* a [proposed rule](#) [Public Notice 9149] that would amend the ITAR to update the definitions of “defense article,” “defense services,” “technical data,” “public domain,” “export,” and “reexport or retransfer” in order to clarify the scope of activities and information that are covered within these definitions and harmonize the definitions with the EAR, to the extent appropriate. Additionally, the Department proposes to create definitions of “required,” “technical data that arises during, or results from, fundamental research,” “release,” “retransfer,” and “activities that are not exports, reexports, or retransfers” in order to clarify and support the interpretation of the revised definitions that are proposed in this rulemaking. The Department proposes to create new sections detailing the scope of licenses, unauthorized releases of information, and the “release” of secured information, and revises the sections on “exports” of “technical data” to U.S. persons abroad. Finally, the Department

proposes to address the electronic transmission and storage of unclassified “technical data” via foreign communications infrastructure. This rulemaking proposes that the electronic transmission of unclassified “technical data” abroad is not an “export,” provided that the data is sufficiently secured to prevent access by foreign persons. Additionally, this proposed rule would allow for the electronic storage of unclassified “technical data” abroad, provided that the data is secured to prevent access by parties unauthorized to access such data. The revisions contained in this proposed rule are part of the Department of State’s retrospective plan under Executive Order 13563 first submitted on August 17, 2011.

BIS and the Department of State will accept comments on these proposed rules until August 3, 2015.

Restrictive measures and additions to OFAC, State BIS blocking orders, designations, sanctions and entity lists

During the past month, the following notices adding, removing or continuing persons (including entities) to/from restrictive measures lists were published in the *Federal Register* by the Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) or by the State Department (State) or the Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS):

F.R. Date	Applicable orders
06-02-15	OFAC: Additional Designations, Foreign Narcotics Kingpin Designation Act [six individuals and three entities] (N)
06-02-15	OFAC: Unblocking of Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons Pursuant to the Foreign Narcotics Kingpin Designation Act [nine individuals and four entities] (N)
06-04-15	BIS: Addition of Certain Person to the Entity List [Docket No. 150304211–5211–01] (FR)
06-08-15	OFAC: Additional Designations, Foreign Narcotics Kingpin Designation Act [three individuals and one entity] (N)
06-10-15	OFAC: Unblocking of Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons Pursuant To The Cuban Assets Control Regulations [five individuals, 53 entities, and one vessel] (N)
06-10-15	OFAC: Unblocking of Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons [two individuals and three entities] (N)
06-11-15	OFAC: Unblocking of One Entity and One Individual Pursuant to Executive Order 13219, as Amended (N)
06-17-15	OFAC: Sanctions Actions Pursuant to Executive Order 13224 (N) [3 individuals and 4 entities]
06-29-15	OFAC: Additional Designations, Foreign Narcotics Kingpin Designation Act (N) [five individuals and one entity]

FTC and CPSC Federal Register documents

The following Federal Trade Commission (FTC) and Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) documents which may be of interest to importers were published *Federal Register* during the past month:

F.R. Date	Subject
06-23-15	CPSC: Notice of Availability: Estimated Phthalate Exposure and Risk to Pregnant Women and Women of Reproductive Age as Assessed Using Four NHANES Biomonitoring Data Sets (2005/2006, 2007/2008, 2009/2010, 2011/2012) [Docket No. CPSC- 2014-0033] (N)

FDA seeks comments on its voluntary qualified importer program and draft guidance

On June 5, 2015, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) published in the *Federal Register* a [notice](#) [Docket No. FDA-2011-N-0144] announcing the availability of a draft guidance for industry on the Voluntary Qualified Importer Program (VQIP) for importers of human or animal food. The draft guidance describes VQIP, which provides for expedited review and importation of food offered for importation by importers who voluntarily agree to participate in the program. The draft guidance describes the eligibility criteria for, and benefits of, participation in VQIP. The draft guidance also provides information on submitting an application for VQIP participation, obtaining a facility certification for the foreign supplier of a food imported under VQIP, the VQIP user fee, conditions that might result in the revocation of VQIP eligibility, and criteria for reinstatement of eligibility. The FDA is issuing the draft guidance in accordance with the *Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act* (FD&C Act).

Section 302 of *FDA Food Safety Modernization Act* (FSMA) amended the FD&C Act by adding new section 806, Voluntary Qualified Importer Program (21 U.S.C. 384b). Section 806(a)(1) of the FD&C Act directs FDA to establish this voluntary program for the expedited review and importation of food, and to establish a process for the issuance of a facility certification to accompany food offered for importation by importers participating in VQIP. Section 806(a)(2) directs FDA to issue a guidance document related to participation in, revocation of such participation in, reinstatement in, and compliance with VQIP.

When this program begins, the FDA encourages food importers with robust supplier verification programs to apply for participation in VQIP. It believes that the benefits of VQIP participation, including expedited entry and reduced sampling by FDA, will be of substantial value to importers. The FDA also anticipates that VQIP will benefit the public health by incentivizing the adoption of robust supplier verification programs and by allowing FDA to focus its resources on food shipments that pose a higher risk to public health and will facilitate risk based admissibility practices.

The FDA anticipates that VQIP application review will need to be limited in the program's first year of operation due to the demands on FDA resources necessitated by the initial establishment of the program and review of applications. For the purpose of calculating the fee, the FDA has estimated that it would receive 200 notices of intent to participate and be able to review 200 applications in the first year. However, depending on the amount of resources needed in initiating the program, it might be possible that it will be able to review fewer or more than 200 applications in the first year. Applications will be reviewed in the order that they are submitted. The FDA requests comment on this potential limitation on participation in the initial year of VQIP.

Although interested parties may comment on any guidance at any time (21 C.F.R. 10.115(g)(5)), to ensure that the FDA considers your comments on the draft guidance before it completes a final version of the guidance, submit either electronic or written comments on the draft guidance by August 19, 2015. Submit either electronic or written comments on the proposed collection of information by August 4, 2015.

FDA Federal Register documents

The FDA has posted the following *Federal Register* guides, notices or documents which may be of interest to international traders:

F.R. Date	Subject
06-02-15	Banned Devices; General Provisions; Technical Amendment [Docket No. FDA-2015-N-0011] (FR)
06-03-15	Listing of Color Additives Exempt From Certification; Synthetic Iron Oxide; Confirmation of Effective Date [Docket No. FDA-2013-C-1008] (FR)
	Veterinary Feed Directive [Docket No. FDA-2010-N-0155] (FR)
06-05-15	Veterinary Feed Directive Regulation Questions and Answers; Draft Guidance for Industry; Availability [Docket No. FDA-2010-N-0155] (N)
	Draft Guidance for Industry on the Voluntary Qualified Importer Program for Food Importers and Guidelines in Consideration of the Burden of the Voluntary Qualified Importer Program Fee Amounts on Small Business; Availability [Docket No. FDA-2011-N-0144] (N)
06-08-15	Listing of Color Additives Exempt From Certification; Mica-Based Pearlescent Pigments [Docket Nos. FDA-2014-C-1616 and FDA-2015-C-0245] (FR)
06-16-15	Food Additives Permitted for Direct Addition to Food for Human Consumption; TBHQ [Docket No. FDA-2014-F-0364] (FR)
06-17-15	Final Determination Regarding Partially Hydrogenated Oils [Docket No. FDA-2013-N-1317] (N and declaratory Order)
	Naming of Drug Products Containing Salt Drug Substances; Guidance for Industry; Availability [Docket No. FDA-2013-D-1566] (N)
06-19-15	Food Allergen Labeling Exemption Petitions and Notifications; Guidance for Industry; Availability [Docket No. FDA-2014-D-0052] (N)
	Size, Shape, and Other Physical Attributes of Generic Tablets and Capsules; Guidance for Industry; Availability [Docket No. FDA-2013-N-1434] (N)
06-22-15	Food Additives Permitted in Feed and Drinking Water of Animals; Gamma-Linolenic Acid Safflower Meal [Docket No. FDA-2010-F-0537] (FR)
06-23-15	Infant Formula: The Addition of Minimum and Maximum Levels of Selenium to Infant Formula and Related Labeling Requirements [Docket No. FDA-2013-N-0067] (FR)
	Medical Devices; Gastroenterology-Urology Devices; Classification of the Vibrator for Climax Control of Premature Ejaculation; Republication [Docket No. FDA-2015-N-1297] (Final Order-Republication)
06-25-15	Veterinary Feed Directive: Correction [Docket No. FDA-2010-N-0155] (FR/C)
	Allowable Excess Volume and Labeled Vial Fill Size in Injectable Drug and Biological Products; Guidance for Industry; Availability [Docket No. FDA-2014-D-0248] (N)
06-26-15	Unique Device Identification: Direct Marking of Devices; Draft Guidance for Industry and Food and Drug Administration Staff; Availability and Request for Comments [Docket No. FDA-2015-D-2245] (N/RFC)
06-29-15	Use of Ozone-Depleting Substances; Request for Comment Concerning Essential-Use Designations [Docket No. FDA-2015-N-1355] (N/RFC)

FAS updates WTO safeguard trigger levels

On June 29, 2015, the Foreign Agricultural Service (FAS), U.S. Department of Agriculture published in the *Federal Register* a [notice of product coverage and trigger levels](#) for safeguard measures provided for in the World Trade Organization (WTO) *Agreement on Agriculture*. The notice lists the updated quantity-based trigger levels for products which may be subject to additional import duties under the safeguard provisions of the *WTO Agreement on Agriculture*. The notice also includes the relevant period applicable for the trigger levels on each of the listed products (See table below).

The WTO agreement permits additional duties to be charged if the price of an individual shipment of imported products falls below the average price for similar

goods imported during the years 1986-88 by a specified percentage. It also permits additional duties to be imposed if the volume of imports of an article exceeds the average of the most recent 3 years for which data are available by 5, 10, or 25 percent, depending on the article. These additional duties may not be imposed on quantities for which minimum or current access commitments were made during the Uruguay Round negotiations, and only one type of safeguard, price or quantity, may be applied at any given time to an article.

QUANTITY-BASED SAFEGUARD TRIGGER		
Product	Trigger level	Period
Beef	276,008 mt	01-01-15 to 12-31-15
Mutton	3,233 mt	
Cream	12,129 liters	
Evaporated or Condensed Milk	1,097,885 kgs	
Nonfat Dry Milk	524,659 kgs	
Dried Whole Milk	3,293,081 kgs	
Dried Cream	662 kgs	
Dried Whey/Buttermilk	34,560 kgs	
Butter	9,414,976 kgs	
Butter Oil and Butter Substitutes	5,840,777 kgs	
Dairy Mixtures	14,384,611 kgs	
Blue Cheese	4,779,080 kgs	
Cheddar Cheese	9,768,173 kgs	
American-Type Cheese	14,668 kgs	
Edam/Gouda Cheese	7,700,542 kgs	
Italian-Type Cheese	18,291,760 kgs	
Swiss Cheese with Eye Formation	26,807,720 kgs	
Gruyere Process Cheese	3,551,763 kgs	
Lowfat Cheese	149,910 kgs	
NSPF Cheese	50,415,571 kgs	
Peanuts	20,493 mt	04-01-14 to 03-31-15
	19,037 mt	04-01-15 to 03-31-16
Peanut Butter/Paste	3,527 mt	01-01-15 to 12-31-15
Raw Cane Sugar	599,416 mt	10-01-14 to 09-30-15
	676,944 mt	10-01-15 to 09-30-16
Refined Sugar and Syrups	198,613 mt	10-01-14 to 09-30-15
	177,579 mt	10-01-15 to 09-30-16
Blended Syrups	60 mt	10-01-14 to 09-30-15
	87 mt	10-01-15 to 09-30-16
Articles Over 65% Sugar	269 mt	10-01-14 to 09-30-15
	385 mt	10-01-15 to 09-30-16
Articles Over 10% Sugar	15,471 mt	10-01-14 to 09-30-15
	20,158 mt	10-01-15 to 09-30-16
Sweetened Cocoa Powder	84 mt	10-01-14 to 09-30-15
	86 mt	10-01-15 to 09-30-16
Chocolate Crumb	11,646,383 kgs	01-01-15 to 12-31-15
Lowfat Chocolate Crumb	478,061 kgs	01-01-15 to 12-31-15
Infant Formula Containing Oligosaccharides	210,818 kgs	01-01-15 to 12-31-15
Mixes and Doughs	170 mt	10-01-14 to 09-30-15
	230 mt	10-01-15 to 09-30-16
Mixed Condiments and Seasonings	653 mt	10-01-14 to 09-30-15
	961 mt	10-01-15 to 09-30-16

QUANTITY-BASED SAFEGUARD TRIGGER		
Product	Trigger level	Period
Ice Cream	2,552,994 liters	01-01-15 to 12-31-15
Animal Feed Containing Milk	53,195 kgs	01-01-15 to 12-31-15
Short Staple Cotton	2,899,397 kgs	09-20-14 to 09-19-15
	2,330,949 kgs	09-20-15 to 09-19-16
Harsh or Rough Cotton	0 kgs	08-01-14 to 07-31-15
	0 kgs	08-01-15 to 07-31-16
Medium Staple Cotton	57,587 kgs	08-01-14 to 07-31-15
	48,783 kgs	08-01-15 to 07-31-16
Extra Long Staple Cotton	860,694 kgs	08-01-14 to 07-31-15
	1,505,611 kgs	08-01-15 to 07-31-16
Cotton Waste	443,246 kgs	09-20-14 to 09-19-15
	793,048 kgs	09-20-15 to 09-19-16
Cotton, Processed, Not Spun	4,035 kgs	09-20-14 to 09-19-15
	2,058 kgs	09-20-15 to 09-19-16

USDA determines FY2016 WTO TRQ for raw cane sugar and certain sugars, syrups and molasses

On June 15, 2015, the Office of the Secretary of the Department of Agriculture (the Secretary) published in the *Federal Register* a [notice](#) announcing the establishment of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2016 (October 1, 2015–September 30, 2016) in-quota aggregate quantity of raw cane sugar at 1,117,195 metric tons raw value (MTRV). The Secretary also announces the establishment of the FY 2016 in-quota aggregate quantity of certain sugars, syrups, and molasses (also referred to as refined sugar) at 132,000 MTRV.

Effective Date: June 15, 2015.

Increase in FY 2015 refined sugar TRQ

On June 15, 2015, the Office of the Secretary of the Department of Agriculture published in the *Federal Register* a [document providing notice](#) of an increase in the fiscal year (FY) 2015 refined sugar tariff rate quota (TRQ) of 20,000 metric tons raw value (MTRV), all of which will be reserved for specialty sugars.

Effective: June 15, 2015.

FSIS publishes notice on international standard-setting activities

On June 11, 2015, the Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) published in the *Federal Register* a [notice](#) [Docket No. FSIS–2015–0010] that informs the public of the sanitary and phytosanitary standard-setting activities of the Codex Alimentarius Commission (Codex), in accordance with section 491 of the *Trade Agreements Act of 1979*, as amended, and the *Uruguay Round Agreements Act*. The notice also provides a list of other standard-setting activities of Codex, including commodity standards, guidelines, codes of practice, and revised texts. The notice, which covers Codex activities during the time periods from June 1, 2014, to May 31, 2015, and June 1, 2015, to May 31, 2016, seeks comments on standards under consideration and recommendations for new standards. FSIS invites interested persons to submit comments on the notice.

US and South Africa issue joint statement on agricultural trade

On June 5, 2015, the U.S. Trade Representative (USTR) [issued a press release](#) which said that the Governments of the United States and South Africa had issued the following Joint Statement:

U.S. and South Africa industry and government officials met in Paris for two days of talks on agricultural and broader trade matters.

U.S. and South African government officials and industries met in Paris on June 4 and 5 to address outstanding agricultural trade issues related to South Africa's AGOA eligibility.

The United States and South Africa are pleased to announce that in joint meetings, the two industries have agreed on the framework to provide for renewed market access for U.S. bone-in chicken into the South African market. The Governments also agreed to a firm set of actions this month to resolve the remaining sanitary issues related to poultry, pork, and beef.

The framework provides for the return of exports to South Africa of U.S. bone-in chicken after the two governments complete necessary implementation steps. The South African government will implement the framework following a public consultation process.

While both sides recognize it may take some time for the South African government to complete its regulatory process, both sides are committed to expedite processes and resume shipments of U.S. chicken as quickly as possible. Both Governments and industries have committed to further engagements on development issues that will enhance production in South Africa as well as participation of Historically Disadvantaged Individuals (HDIs) into the poultry industry.

The South African delegation was led by Ambassador Faizel Ismail and included senior officials of the Departments of Trade and Industry and the Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries. The South African Poultry Association CEO Kevin Lovell was joined by South African poultry producers. The U.S. delegation was led by U.S. Ambassador to South Africa Patrick H. Gaspard, accompanied by senior officials from the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Mike Brown, President of the National Chicken Council, and Jim Sumner, President of the USA Poultry & Egg Export Council represented the U.S. industry.

The Minister of Trade and Industry, Dr. Rob Davies who was in Paris met with the delegations. Minister stated that "the framework agreed by the two industries facilitates South Africa's continued participation in AGOA and is a commendable effort by the poultry industry in the interest of the South African economy."

Ambassador Gaspard stated, "The Paris meetings made significant progress. The United States and South Africa can work together to address trade issues, demonstrating that U.S. trade tools can effectively deliver results for the United States. I am happy with the progress towards a mutually agreed solution that we made, and look forward to our working together to resolve bilateral trade problems."

This agreement will allow the two governments to set a positive path forward for the countries' trade and investment relationship building two-way U.S.-South Africa trade, including under AGOA, and using tools such as the U.S.-South Africa Trade and Investment Framework Agreement (TIFA) to address the outstanding issues.

APHIS and other USDA notices issued

During the past month, the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) and other US Department of Agriculture (USDA) agencies issued the following *Federal Register* notices during the past month which may be of interest to international traders. [USDA=Office of the Secretary, FAS=Foreign Agricultural Service, AMS=Agricultural Marketing Service, FSIS=Food Safety Inspection Service]:

F.R. Date	Subject
06-01-15	APHIS: Importation of Phalaenopsis Spp. Plants for Planting in Approved Growing Media From China to the Continental United States [Docket No. APHIS-2014-0106] (PR)
06-05-15	APHIS: Hot Water Treatment of Oversized Mangoes; Correction [Docket No. APHIS-2015-0006] (N/C)
06-09-15	AMS: Hardwood Lumber and Hardwood Plywood Promotion, Research and Information Order; Referendum Procedures [Document Number AMS-FV-11-0074; PR- B2] (Supp. PR) [Proposal covers exporters but not importers]
	AMS: Hardwood Lumber and Hardwood Plywood Promotion, Research and Information Order [Document Number AMS-FV-11-0074; PR- A2] (Supp. PR) [Proposal covers exporters but not importers]
06-10-15	AMS: Revisions to the Electronic Submission of the Import Request of Shell Eggs [Doc. No. AMS-LPS-14-0055] (PR/RFC)
06-11-15	FSIS: International Standard-Setting Activities [Docket No. FSIS-2015-0010] (N)
06-15-15	USDA: Determination of Total Amounts of Fiscal Year 2016 WTO Tariff-Rate Quotas for Raw Cane Sugar and Certain Sugars, Syrups and Molasses (N)
	USDA Office of Procurement and Property Management (OPPM): Voluntary Labeling Program for Biobased Products (FR)
	USDA OPPM: Guidelines for Designating Biobased Products for Federal Procurement (FR)
06-17-15	FSIS: Codex Alimentarius Commission: Meeting of the Codex Committee on Fresh Fruits and Vegetables [Docket No. FSIS-2015-0014] (N/H) Aug. 6, 2015
	FSIS: Codex Alimentarius Commission: Meeting of the Codex Committee on Spices and Culinary Herbs [Docket No. FSIS-2015-0013] (N/H) Aug. 19, 2015
06-19-15	AMS: National Organic Program: USDA Organic Regulations [Document Number AMS-NOP-15-0009; NOP-15-01] (N of 2015 Sunset Review)
06-24-15	AMS: Cotton Research and Promotion Program: Procedures for Conduct of Sign-up Period [AMS-CN-12-0059] (FR)
06-25-15	AMS: Fruit, Vegetable, and Specialty Crops— Import Regulations; Changes to Reporting Requirements To Add Electronic Form Filing Option [Doc. No. AMS-FV-14-0093; FV15-944/980/999-1 FIR] (FR)

FAS GAIN reports

Below is a partial list of Global Agriculture Information Network (GAIN) reports that were recently issued by the US Foreign Agriculture Service (FAS) in the *Food and Agricultural Import Regulations and Standards* (FAIRS) series as well as other reports related to import or export requirements. These provide valuable information on regulatory standards, export guides, and MRL (maximum residue limits). Information about, and access to, other GAIN reports may be found at the [FAS GAIN reports website](#).

- Canada - [CFIA Consultation on Food Safety Regulations](#)
- Canada - [Proposed Changes to Nutrition Labelling Regulations Published](#)
- Chile - [Chile's New Nutritional Labeling Law](#)
- China - [Amended Food Safety Law of China](#)
- Dominican Republic - [Exporter Guide](#)
- Ethiopia- [Ethiopia's Food and Ag Import Reg's and Standards \(FAIRS\)](#)
- [FSSAI Publishes Guidelies on Product Approvals New Delhi India 6-17-2015](#)
- Germany - [Turnaround in GE labeling policy](#)
- India - [Amendments to Legal Metrology Rules](#)
- [India - FSSAI Publishes Draft FSS \(Food Recall Procedure\) Regulations 2015](#)
- India - [WTO Notified Draft Order on Meat-Poultry Products in Indian Market](#)
- India - [WTO Notified Draft Standards for Food Contaminants](#)
- Indonesia - [New Indonesian Palm Oil Export Levy](#)
- Israel - [The Israeli Law for Enhancement of Competition in the Food Sector](#)
- Netherlands - [Exporter Guide](#)
- Russia - [Draft Amendments to Domestic Veterinary Certification Rules](#)

- Russia - [Russian Food Ban Extended Until August 2016](#)
- Serbia - [Serbia Introduced New Port and Pier Taxes](#)
- Taiwan - [Taiwan GE Labeling Requirements Finalized with July 1 Implementation5](#)
- Taiwan - [Taiwan New Import Tolerance Application Form](#)
- Turkey - [Biosafety Board Publishes List of the Biotech Applications](#)
- Vietnam - [MARD Releases Circular Summarizing Import Procedures](#)
- Vietnam - [MARD Releases Live Seafood Risk Assessment Procedure](#)
- Vietnam - [Revised Guidance on Food Safety Inspection of Plant Products](#)
- Vietnam - [Vietnam Removes Value Added Tax on Animal Feed Inputs and Products](#)

Departments/agencies publish semiannual regulatory agendas

The links below are to the semiannual regulatory agendas published by cabinet departments, certain bureaus and independent agencies in the *Federal Register* this month:

F.R. Date	Department
06-18-15	Department of Agriculture
	Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board
	Department of Commerce
	Consumer Financial Protection Bureau
	Consumer Product Safety Commission
	Department of Defense (see also below)
	Department of Defense, General Services Administration and National Aeronautics and Space Administration [Federal Acquisition Regulation]
	Energy Department
	Environmental Protection Agency
	Federal Communications Commission
	Federal Reserve System
	General Services Administration (see also above)
	Health and Human Services Department
	Homeland Security Department
	Interior Department
	Justice Department
	Labor Department
	National Aeronautics and Space Administration (see also above)
	Nuclear Regulatory Commission
	Regulatory Information Service Center
Securities and Exchange Commission	
Small Business Administration	
Transportation Department	

NRC revises transportation safety requirements

On June 12, 2015, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) published in the *Federal Register* a [final rule](#) [NRC–2008–0198] that amends its regulations for the packaging and transportation of radioactive material. These amendments make conforming changes to the NRC’s regulations based on the International Atomic Energy Agency’s (IAEA) 2009 standards for the international transportation of radioactive material and maintain consistency with the DOT’s regulations. The changes were made in consultation with the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT). In addition, these amendments re-establish restrictions on materials that qualify for the fissile material exemption, clarify requirements, update administrative procedures, and make editorial changes.

This rule is effective July 13, 2015. The incorporation by reference of certain publications listed in the regulation is approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of July 13, 2015

Federal Register documents

The following [Federal Register](#) documents which may be of interest to international traders were published during the past month by various Federal agencies:

F.R. Date	Subject
06-02-15	Energy: Energy Conservation Program for Consumer Products: Test Procedures for Residential Furnaces and Boilers [Docket No. EERE-2012-BT-TP-0024] (RFC/RO) Environmental Protection Agency (EPA): Certain New Chemicals; Receipt and Status Information [EPA-HQ-OPPT-2015-0184; FRL-9927-92] (N)
06-03-15	Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA): Schedules of Controlled Substances: Removal of [¹²³I]lofupane From Schedule II of the Controlled Substances Act [Docket No. DEA-415] (PR) Energy: Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Residential Dehumidifiers [Docket Number EERE-2012-BT-STD-0027] (PR/H) Energy: Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedures for Ceiling Fans [Docket No. EERE-2013-BT-TP-0050] (Supplemental PR) EPA: Alkyl (C₈₋₂₀) Polyglucoside Esters; Exemption From the Requirement of a Tolerance [EPA-HQ-OPP-2014-0678; FRL-9927-19] (FR) EPA: Pesticide Product Registration; Receipt of Applications for New Uses; Correction and Reopening of Comment Period [EPA-HQ-OPP-2015-0022 FRL-9928-24] (N/C/RO)`` EPA: Product Cancellation Order for Certain Pesticide Registrations [EPA-HQ-OPP-2009-1017; FRL-9926-88] (N)
06-05-15	Energy: Energy Conservation Program: Clarification for Energy Conservation Standards and Test Procedures for Fluorescent Lamp Ballasts [Docket No. EERE-2009-BT-TP-0016] (FR) EPA: Aluminum sulfate; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance [EPA-HQ-OPP-2012-0207; FRL-9927-66] (FR) EPA: n-Butyl benzoate; Exemptions from the Requirement of a Tolerance [EPA-HQ-OPP-2014-0265; FRL-9927-65] (FR) EPA: Significant New Use Rules on Certain Chemical Substances [EPA-HQ-OPPT-2015-0220; FRL-9927-67] (FR) National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA): Notice of coordinated Remedy Program Proceeding for the Replacement of Certain Takata Air Bag Inflators [Docket No. NHTSA-2015-0055] (N) National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA): International Trade Data System Test Concerning the Electronic Submission of Certain Data Required for Imports (N/RFC)
06-10-15	Energy: Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Residential Conventional Ovens [Docket Number EERE-2014-BT-STD-0005] (PR) EPA: Significant New Use Rule on Certain Chemical Substances [EPA-HQ-OPPT-2014-0390; FRL-9927-60] (PR) EPA: Notice of Receipt of Requests for Amendments to Terminate Uses in Certain Pesticide Registrations [EPA-HQ-OPP-2015-0317; FRL-9928-01] (N) EPA: Pesticide Product Registration; Receipt of Applications for New Active Ingredients [EPA-HQ-OPP-2015-0021; FRL-9928-22] (N) EPA: Diclofop-methyl; Product Cancellation Order for Certain Pesticide Registrations [EPA-HQ-OPP-2014-0577; FRL-9928-03] (N) State: Determination by the Secretary of State Relating to Iran Sanctions [Public Notice: 9168] (N)
06-11-15	Energy: Determination Regarding Energy Efficiency Improvements in the 2015 International Energy Conservation Code (IECC) [EERE-2014-BT-DET-0030] (N of determination) International Trade Administration (Commerce): Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Interim Procedures for Considering Requests Under the Commercial Availability Provision of the United States—Colombia Trade Promotion Agreement (U.S.-Colombia TPA)

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	International Trade Administration (Commerce): Proposed Information Collection: Comment Request: Procedures for Considering Requests and Comments From the Public for Textile and Apparel Safeguard Actions on Imports From Colombia
06-12-15	Nuclear Regulatory Commission: Revisions to Transportation Safety Requirements and Harmonization With International Atomic Energy Agency Transportation Requirements [NRC-2008-0198] (FR) EPA: Protection of Stratospheric Ozone: The 2016 Critical Use Exemption From the Phaseout of Methyl Bromide [EPA-HQ-OAR-2013-0369; FRL-9922-39-OAR] (PR)
06-15-15	EPA: Sethoxydim; Pesticide Tolerances [EPA-HQ-OPP-2014-0161; FRL-9928-20] (FR) EPA: Di-n-butyl carbonate: Exemption From the Requirement of a Tolerance [EPA-HQ-OPP-2014-0176; FRL-9928-63] (FR) EPA: Receipt of Test Data Under the Toxic Substances Control Act [EPA-HQ-OPPT-2013-0677; FRL-9928-62] (N)
06-16-15	Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS): Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Listing All Chimpanzees as Endangered Species [Docket No. FWS-R9-ES-2010-0086] (FR) EPA: Pesticide Maintenance Fee; Notice of Receipt of Requests to Voluntarily Cancel Certain Pesticide Registrations [EPA-HQ-OPP-2015-0321; FRL-9928-13] (N) Federal Transit Administration: Buy America Handbook: Conducting Pre-Award and Post-Delivery Audits for Rolling Stock Procurements [Docket No. FTA-2015-0020] (N/RFC) State: Issuance of a Presidential Permit to Reconfigure, Expand, Operate, and Maintain a Vehicle and Pedestrian Border Crossing Called "Calexico West" in Calexico, California, at the International Boundary Between the United States and Mexico [Public Notice: 9170] (N).
06-17-15	DEA: Controlled Substances: 2015 Established Aggregate Production Quotas for Three Temporarily Controlled Synthetic Cannabinoids [Docket No. DEA-410F] (Final Order) DEA: Adjusted Aggregate Production Quotas for Difenoxin, Diphenoxylate (for conversion), and Marijuana [Docket No. DEA-411F] (Final Order) EPA: Receipt of Test Data under the Toxic Substances Control Act [EPA-HQ-OPPT-2013-0677; FRL-9928-83] (N) Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA): Parts and Accessories Necessary for Safe Operation: Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards Certification for Commercial Motor Vehicles Operated by United States- Domiciled Motor Carriers [Docket No. FMCSA-2014-0428] (PR)
06-18-15	Energy: Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Room Air Conditioners; Request for Information [Docket Number EERE-2014-BT-STD-0059] (RFI) FMCSA: Incorporation by Reference: North American Standard Out-of-Service Criteria; Hazardous Materials Safety Permits [Docket No. FMCSA-FMCSA-2015-0075] (FR) State: Notification of the Next CAFTA-DR Environmental Affairs Council Meeting [Public Notice: 9171] (N/H)
06-19-15	EPA: Thiram; Pesticide Tolerance [EPA-HQ-OPP-2014-0249; FRL-9928-82] (FR) EPA: Pesticide Product Registration; Receipt of Applications for New Uses [EPA-HQ-OPP-2015-0011-0022; FRL-9928-21] (N)
06-22-15	U.S. Coast Guard: Imposition of Conditions of Entry for Certain Vessels Arriving to the United States From the Republic of the Gambia [Docket No. USCG-2015-0193] (N)
06-23-15	Energy: Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedures for Commercial Pre-rinse Spray Valves [Docket No. EERE-2014-BT-TP-0055] (PR) Energy: Energy Efficiency Program for Consumer Products: Energy Conservation Standards for Fluorescent Lamp Ballasts [Docket No. EERE-2015-BT-STD-0006] (PR) NHTSA: Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards; Electronic Stability Control

F.R. Date	Subject
	Systems for Heavy Vehicles [Docket No. NHTSA-2015-0056] (FR) NHTSA: Hybrid III 10-Year-Old Child Test Dummy; Corrections; Incorporation by Reference [Docket No. NHTSA-2011-0175] Tech. Amendments
06-24-15	EPA: Banda de Lupinus albus doce (BLAD); Proposed Pesticide Tolerance; Technical Correction [EPA-HQ-OPP-2015-0230; FRL-9929-03] (PR) EPA: Registration Review; Dockets Opened for Review and Comment - Pesticides [EPA-HQ-OPP-2015-0385; FRL-9929-21] (N)
06-30-15	Energy: Energy Conservation Program: Test Procedures for Packaged Terminal Air Conditioners and Packaged Terminal Heat Pumps [Docket No. EERE-2012-BT-TP-0032] (FR) EPA: Modification of Significant New Uses of Certain Chemical Substances [EPA-HQ-OPPT-2014-0649; FRL-9928-93] (FR) EPA: Certain New Chemicals; Receipt and Status Information [EPA-HQ-OPPT-2015-0185; FRL-9929-43] (N)

ITA's Enforcement and Compliance revises filing information

On June 25, 2015, The International Trade Administration's Enforcement and Compliance published in the *Federal Register* a [final rule](#) [Docket No.: 150522476-5476-01] to change the room number of the Administrative Protective Order and Dockets Unit (APO/Dockets Unit). The rule also changes the web address of Enforcement and Compliance's electronic filing system, Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS). Finally, the rule changes the web address for the location of the ACCESS Handbook on Electronic Filing. Consistent with this action, the rule makes appropriate conforming changes in the regulations.

On March 2, 2015, the APO/Dockets Unit changed its location from Room 1870 to Room 18022. The rule updates the regulations to reflect this room change. On October 1, 2013, the Import Administration was renamed Enforcement and Compliance. *See Import Administration; Change of Agency Name*, 78 Fed. Reg. 62417 (October 22, 2013). On November 20, 2014, Enforcement and Compliance published the final rule updating the name of the electronic filing system from "IA ACCESS" to "ACCESS." *Enforcement and Compliance; Change of Electronic Filing System Name*, 79 Fed. Reg. 69046 (November 20, 2014). The rule updates the regulations to reflect the web address so that it conforms with the name change. Thus, "<http://iaaccess.trade.gov>" is changed to "<https://access.trade.gov>". In addition, the location of the ACCESS Handbook on Electronic Filing Procedures (ACCESS Handbook) has moved to the ACCESS Web site. Thus, references to the location of the ACCESS Handbook are changed from the web address "<http://www.trade.gov/ia>" to "<https://access.trade.gov>".

Commerce publishes notice of scope rulings

On June 16, 2015, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce published in the *Federal Register* a [notice listing the scope rulings and anticircumvention determinations](#) made between January 1, 2015, and March 31, 2015, inclusive. Commerce intends to publish future lists after the close of the next calendar quarter. Scope rulings were made in the following cases:

- A-588-869: Diffusion-Annealed Nickel-Plated Flat-Rolled Steel Products From Japan
- A-201-805: Circular Welded Non-Alloy Steel Pipe From Mexico

- A-570-967 and C-570-968: Aluminum Extrusions From the People's Republic of China (6 rulings)
- A-570-890: Wooden Bedroom From the People's Republic of China

Antidumping and countervailing duty cases

[See separate *Antidumping Countervailing Duty and Safeguards Investigations, Orders & Reviews* section below.](#)

The Americas - South America

Argentina

Boletin Oficial publications

The following Decrees, Administrative Decisions and Resolutions (Res.) which may be of interest to international traders were published in the *Boletin Oficial de la Republica Argentina* (Official Gazette) or the *Customs Bulletin* during the period covered by this Update [Unofficial translation].

BO Date	Subject
08-06-15	Federal Administration of Public Revenue (AFIP): Gen. Res. Nº 3778 (5 June 2015) Operating allocation for the clearance of goods at the regulated terminals shifts in the metropolitan area.
	National Administration of Medicines, Food and Medical Technology (ANMATM): Disp. Nº 4350/2015 (3 June 2015) Prohibiting the use or commercialization of domestic sanitary products
	ANMATM: Disp. Nº 4351/2015 (3 June 2015) Prohibiting the use or commercialization of food products
	ANMATM: Disp. Nº 4353/2015 (3 June 2015) Prohibiting the use or commercialization of food products
09-06-15	AFIP: Gen. Res. Nº 3776 (3 June 2015) Value criterion of a preventive nature for importations. Amending Gen. Res. Nº 2730. Additional standards.
15-06-15	Decree Nº 1072/2015 (10 June 2015) Exempting from the payment of import duties and related fees products origination in countries participating in the International Fair "VII Expo Productos y Artesanías del Mundo"
17-06-15	Decree 1073/2015 (10 June 2015) Exempting from the payment of import duties and other fees products originating in countries participating in the "Feria Internacional de Villa Gesell".
	ANMATM: Disp. Nº 4657/2015 (11 June 2015) Prohibiting the commercialization of food products
18-06-15	Decree 1102/2015 (11 June 2015) Suspending the exportation for consumption of certain goods for 360 days [7204.10.00, 7204.21.00, 7204.29.00, 7204.30.00, 7204.41.00, 7204.49.00, 7204.50.00, 7404.00.00 and 7602.00.00 if defined in Note 8 a) to Section XV of the NCM].
	Decree 976/2015 (1 June 2015) Exempting from the payment of import duties and other fees products originating in countries participating in the "FITHEP 2015 - Feria Internacional de Tecnología y Artículos para Helados, Panificados, Confituras, Chocolates, Pastas, Pizzas y Artículos para Comercios de Conveniencia".
23-06-15	ANMATM: Disp. Nº 4895/2015 (18 June 2015) prohibiting the use and commercialization of certain medical products
24-06-15	Decree Nº 1146/2015 (17 June 2015) Exempting from the payment of import duties and related fees products origination in countries participating in the event "38° Feria COAS de las Naciones 2015".
	Decree Nº 1147/2015 (17 June 2015) Exempting from the payment of import duties and related fees products origination in countries participating in the

BO Date	Subject
	event "50° Exposición Agrícola, Ganadera, Comercial, Industrial y de Servicios-Expo Tucumán 2015" .
	Decree Nº 1155/2015 (17 June 2015) Exempting from the payment of import duties and related fees products origination in countries participating in the edición 24° del evento "ArteBA 2015" .

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[See separate *Antidumping Countervailing Duty and Safeguards Investigations, Orders & Reviews* section below.](#)

Brazil

MDIC prevents crockery imports with false declarations or origin

On 26 June 2015, The Ministry of Development, Industry and Foreign Trade (MDIC) Foreign Trade Secretariat (Secex) published in the *Official Gazette (Diário Oficial da União)* Edicts No. [50](#) , [51](#) and [52](#) , 2015 which ended investigations to determine false declaration of origin on imports of crockery for table objects. These procedures are performed to identify companies trying to export the subject goods to Brazil without paying the anti-dumping duty imposed on imports of porcelain objects made in China to the table. The duty applied by Camex Resolution No. 3/2014, ranges from US \$ 1.84 to US \$ 5.14 per kilo.

Due to a complaint from the private sector, since October 2014, Secex has been conducting a risk analysis of import permit applications for porcelain objects to the table, classified under headings 69.11 or 69.12 of the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System (HS), in order to identify false declarations of origin to circumvent the anti-dumping duty. In 2015, Secex has performed 31 original investigations of crockery objects manufacturers. It has verified that the company was manufacturer, according to Brazilian standards, in just eight cases. There are still two other investigations of the same products.

CAMEX approves 166 ex-tariff items to encourage US\$ 644 million investment in industry

On 22 June 2015, the *Official Gazette (Diário Oficial da União)* published [CAMEX Resolution No. 54](#) and [Camex Resolution No. 55](#) with a list of 166 ex-tariff items for capital goods and information technology goods and telecommunications, which will reduce the rate of import duty to 2% until 31 December 2016, in the case of capital goods, and until 31 December 2015, in the case of computer goods and telecommunications.

The tariffs are linked to investments in industrial projects of US\$ 644,665,000. The amounts related to the imported equipment are \$ 284 million. With regard to global investments, the main sectors covered were: iron and steel (45%), auto parts (11%), capital goods (7%), naval and nautical (5%), and food (3%).

The reduced tax and equipment will be used in industrial projects in the states of Ceara, Santa Catarina, Pernambuco and Sao Paulo. Imports will be made mainly from Spain (27.01%), US (18.88%), Canada (8.81%), Italy (8.05%) and Germany (7.55%) .

The ex-tariff regime aims to stimulate investments for expansion and restructuring of the national productive sector of goods and services through the temporary

reduction of import duty for capital goods and information technology and telecommunications goods not produced in Brazil. It is up to the ex-tariff Analysis Committee (Caex) to verify the absence of domestic production and the merits of the claims in light of the intended objectives, the investment involved and government development policies. Brazilian manufacturers of industrial machinery and equipment also participate in the national production of analysis process.

Diário Oficial da União publications

The following notices, Ordinances (Portarias), Circulars and Resolutions of interest to international traders were published in the *Diário Oficial da União* (Official Gazette) during the period covered by this Update.

DOU Date	Subject
27-05-15	Secex Ordinance No. 42, of 26 May 2015 - Ends the special procedure of non-preferential origin check with the disqualification of Thailand source for the product "porcelain objects to the table, regardless of their degree of porosity" (NCM 6911.10.10, 6911.10.90, 6911.90.00 and 6912.00.00), declared as produced by Siam Products Manufacturing Co., Ltd.
28-05-15	Secex Ordinance No. 43 of 27 May 2015 -.establishes criteria for quota allocation for imports, determined by CAMEX Resolution No. 50 of May 26, 2015.
01-06-15	Secex Circular No. 36, of 29 May 2015 -. Makes public anti-dumping duties whose coverage periods ending will be the first half of 2016.
05-06-15	Camex Resolution No. 52, of June 03 2015 . Grants temporary reduction in the rate of import duty under Resolution № 08/08 of the MERCOSUR Common Market Group.
08-06-15	Secex Ordinance No. 44, of 05 June 2015 -. Ends the special procedure of non-preferential origin check with disqualification Malaysian origin for the product "porcelain objects to the table, regardless of their degree of porosity" (NCM 6911.10.10, 6911.10.90, 6911.90.00 and 6912.00.00), declared as produced by the company CNF Industries Co.
	Secex Ordinance No. 45, of 05 June 2015 -.Ends the special procedure of non-preferential origin check with disqualification Malaysian origin for the product "porcelain objects to the table, regardless of their degree of porosity" (NCM 6911.10.10, 6911.10.90, 6911.90.00 and 6912.00.00), declared as produced by the company Vector Pristine Industry.
	Secex Ordinance No. 46, of 05 June 2015 -. Ends the special procedure of non-preferential origin check with the qualification of India origin to the product porcelain objects to the table, regardless of their degree porosity (NCM 6911.10.10, 6911.10.90, 6911.90.00 and 6912.00.00), declared as produced by the company Hue Crafts Overseas.
	Secex Ordinance No. 47, of 05 June 2015 - Establishes criteria for allocating quota for imports, determined by CAMEX Resolution No. 52 of June 3, 2015.
18-06-15	Camex Resolution № 53 of 17 June 2015 - Grants temporary reduction in the rate of import duty under Resolution n ° 08/08 of the MERCOSUR Common Market Group.
19-06-15	Secex Ordinance No. 48 of 18 June 2015 - Establishes criteria for quota allocation for imports, determined by CAMEX Resolution No. 53 of June 17, 2015.
	Secex Ordinance No. 49 of 18 June 2015 - Establishes criteria for quota allocation for imports, determined by CAMEX Resolution No. 53 of June 17, 2015
22-06-15	Camex Resolution № 54 of 19 June 2015 Changes to 2% (two percent) the rates of import duty levied on capital goods, the ex-tariff condition
	Camex Resolution № 55 of 19 June 2015 Changes to 2% (two percent) the rates of import duty levied on Informatics and Telecommunications goods, the ex-tariff condition.
	Camex Resolution № 59 of 19 June 2015 - Amending Annex I of CAMEX Resolution n ° 101 of October 29, 2014.

DOU Date	Subject
	Camex Resolution № 60 of 19 June 2015 - Making public the initiation of analysis, the Public Interest Assessment Technical Group - GTIP, the process listed below, concerning imports of rolled silicon steel plans, called magnetic, non-grain oriented
24-06-15	Camex Resolution № 61 of 23 June 2015 - Regulates the reduction in the rate of import duty on Ex-tariff condition to auto no equivalent domestic production under the regime of Auto Parts Not Produced

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[See separate *Antidumping Countervailing Duty and Safeguards Investigations, Orders & Reviews* section below.](#)

Chile

National Customs postings and Diario Oficial

The following documents, which may be of interest to international traders were posted to the National Customs Service (NCS) [website](#) or published in the [Diario Oficial de la República de Chile](#) (Official Gazette) or [Partial list; Unofficial translation].

Date	Subject
04-06-15	Foreign Affairs: Decree Number 12, Of 2015.- Agreement With the Socialist Republic of Vietnam Correcting Annex 4-C (Certificate of Origin (Form Vc)) of the Free Trade Agreement
06-06-15	Foreign Affairs: Decree No. 9 of 2015.- promulgates the amendment of Chapter 15 of the FTA Chile - Australia
08-06-15	Finance: Decree 589 Amending Supreme Decree No. 1,432, 2013, Determining the list of least developed countries, the conditions as indicated, for inclusion and exclusion and operational requirements to be met by the goods for the purposes indicated
11-06-15	NCS: Res. № 3168 amendment to the Compendium of Customs Norms
16-06-15	Finance: Decree № 176.- Apply cuts of customs duties for the import of wheat and wheat flour and meslin (meslin)
20-06-15	NCS: Res. № 3123 Resolution No. 3,123 exempt from 2015.- extended until July 31, 2015, trial run period established in paragraph 2 of resolution No. 5710 of 2014, the Customs of Valparaiso and San Antonio

Classification opinions, advance rulings and classification valuation and origin decisions

The National Customs Service has recently redesigned its website. [Advance Classification Rulings](#) (Resoluciones Anticipadas Clasificación) from 2010 to the present and [Classification Opinions](#) (Dictámenes de Clasificación) from 1993-2009 are available. Post entry [Classification, valuation and origin decisions on claims](#) (fallos de reclamaciones) at the first and second instance levels from 2003 to the present are also available.

Colombia

TPTA information

Information, on the *Colombia-United States Trade Promotion Agreement* including presentations, rules of origin and TRQ information (all in Spanish) may be [found here](#). Sample (non-mandatory) Certificates of Origin are [available here](#).

Tariff Classification Resolutions

Tariff Classification Resolutions issued in 2013 may be found at http://www.dian.gov.co/DIAN/13Normatividad.nsf/pages/Clasificacion_arancelarias_2013. For prior years, please see http://www.dian.gov.co/DIAN/13Normatividad.nsf/pages/Clasificaciones_arancelarias.

MinCIT, MinHacienda and DIAN Documents

The following documents of interest to international traders were posted by the [Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Tourism](#) (MinCIT), [Ministry of Finance](#) (Hacienda) or the [National Directorate of Taxes and Customs](#) (DIAN):

Date	Subject
17-06-15	MinCIT: Decree 1292 of 2015. By which it is partially modified the structure of the Special Administrative Unit of the National Taxes and Customs.
18-06-15	MinCIT: Decree 1300 of 2015. By which the procedure for the declaration of free zones are modified and other provisions.

Peru

Tariff Classification database

A searchable [Tariff Classification Resolution \(ruling\) database](#) (from 2006 through the present) is available. It may be searched by the tariff number, resolution number, or description. The database currently has approximately 7400 resolutions, some with photographs.

SUNAT and *El Peruano* publications

The following documents of interest to international traders were posted during the past month by [SUNAT](#) (National Customs Superintendent and Tax Administration) or in the legal standards section of [El Peruano](#) (the Official Gazette) (dd-mm-yy):

Date	Subject
06-06-15	INDECOPI: Res. № 293-2015/CDS-INDECOPI Revoking Res. № 297-2013/CFD-INDECOPI of 6 Dec. 2013 which decided to impose definitive anti-dumping duties on certain knitted clothing and accessories from China and superseding those rights
07-06-15	SUNAT: Res. № 003-2015-SUNAT/500000 Approve discretion not to determine or punish customs offenses in the Chimbote, Ilo, Mollendo, Paita, Pisco and Salaverry independencias
09-06-15	External Relations: International Convention – Entry into force of the Agreement for the implementation of the development Plan of the border integration zone between Peru and Colombia
	External Relations: Agreement for the Implementation plan or the development of border integration zone between Peru and Colombia

Asia-Pacific

[Please note that material pertaining to the Eurasian Economic Union (EEU or EAEU) is shown under EUROPE.]

Australia

China and Australia sign landmark FTA

The Australian Government [announced](#) that on June 17, 2015, the Australian and Chinese governments signed the long-awaited [China-Australia Free Trade Agreement](#) (ChAFTA) in a ceremony in Canberra. The historic agreement was signed by Australia's Trade Minister Andrew Robb and China's Commerce Minister Gao Hucheng and completed ten years of negotiations and followed the Declaration of Intent signed in November 2014 by Chinese President Xi Jinping and Australian Prime Minister Tony Abbott.

Both countries must now complete their domestic treaty making processes to bring the Agreement into force. In Australia this includes consideration by the Parliament, more information about the steps to entry into force can be found on the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade website.

The Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade website has [comprehensive information on the ChAFTA](#) as well as the full text of the Agreement. The materials include:

- [Fact Sheet: Agriculture and Processed Food](#)
- [Fact Sheet: Resources, Energy and Manufacturing](#)
- [Fact Sheet: Trade in goods - trade rules and facilitation](#)
- [Fact Sheet: Trade in Services](#)
- [Fact Sheet: Financial Services](#)
- [Fact Sheet: Investment](#)
- [Fact Sheet: Investor State Dispute Settlement \(ISDS\)](#)
- [Fact Sheet: Movement of Natural Persons](#)
- [Fact Sheet: Electronic Commerce, Intellectual Property, Competition Policy and Government Procurement](#)
- [China-Australia FTA - Outcomes at a glance](#)
- [Quick Guide: Agriculture and Processed Foods Outcomes](#)
- [Quick Guide: Key Resources, Energy and Manufacturing Outcomes](#)
- [Quick Guide: Key Services Outcomes](#)
- [Quick Guide: Key Investment and Investor-state Dispute Settlement \(ISDS\) Outcomes](#)
- [ChAFTA - Benefits for Australian business](#)
- [ChAFTA - Opening new opportunities for Australian products in China](#)
- [Implementation process and timeline](#)
- [Infographic: China-Australia FTA: The benefits for Australia](#)
- [Economic modelling of Australia's North Asia FTAs](#)

Tony Abbot's announcement may be [seen here](#).

The Chinese government's announcement (in Chinese) [is here](#).

New website – border.gov.au

[Australian Customs and Border Protection Notice No. 2015/22](#) (June 2015) announced that from 1 July 2015, The Australian Customs and Border Protection Service (ACBPS) will integrate with the Department of Immigration and Border Protection (the Department) and the Australian Border Force (ABF) will be established.

To support the integration, a new website will be launched at www.border.gov.au. From this date, internet searches for the immi.gov.au and customs.gov.au homepages will be indefinitely redirected to the new address.

ACBP notices and advices

The following ACBP Notices (ACN) (other than anti-dumping and countervailing duty) and Cargo advices (ACCA) were issued during the period covered by this Update:

Date	Series and No	Title
09-06-15	ACN 2015/21	Amendment of Australian Payments Clearing Association (APCA) Identifier
xx-06-15	ACN 2015/22	New website – border.gov.au
	ACCA 2015/05	ACBPS and DIBP merger - Preparing for 1 July

Australian Gazettes

The following documents were published in the *Government Notices Gazette*, the *Tariff Concessions Gazette* (TC) or other Gazettes as noted (dd-mm-yy):

Date	Gazette	Date	Gazette
03-06-15	TC15-21	10-06-15	TC15-22
17-06-15	TC15-23	24-06-15	TC15-24

Australian Tariff Precedents

The Australian Customs and Border Protection Service (ACBP) [as of 1 July 2015 the Department of Immigration and Border Protection Service] publishes and posts its [Tariff Precedent Files](#). Tariff Precedents are considered statements from Customs made to provide guidance on various classification issues. The latest update is 17 February 2015.

Antidumping and countervailing duty cases

[See separate *Antidumping Countervailing Duty and Safeguards Investigations, Orders & Reviews* section below.](#)

China (including Hong Kong SAR)

EU and China issue joint statement on their mutual recognition agreement for trusted traders' programmes

[See article under *European Union and EFTA*, below](#)

China and Australia sign landmark Free Trade Agreement

[See article under *Australia*, above.](#)

China and South Korea complete Free Trade Agreement

[See article under Korea, below](#)

MOFCOM and GAC notices

The following Ministry of Commerce (MOFCOM) and General Administration of Customs (GAC) notices were posted during the period covered by this Update (mm-dd-yy):

Date	Series, № and Subject
01-06-15	GAC Ann. № 21 – on the adjustment of tariffs on consumer goods (skin care products, suits, short boots, diapers and other consumer products)
	GAC Ann. № 22 - on the expansion of cross-border transport pilot business in Heilongjiang Province trade goods
02-06-15	GAC Ann. № 23 - on the July 1, 2015 commencement under the Hong Kong and Macao CEPA zero-tariff items new goods origin criteria announcement
04-06-15	GAC Ann. № 24 - on regulating clearance paperless electronic payment of tax issues notice
	GAC Ann. № 25 – on overseas business travelers shopping departure tax of customs regulations
08-06-15	GAC Ann. № 26 - on the import of goods originating in South Sudan, the applicable tax rate announcement
	GAC Ann. № 27 – regarding penalty in late payments
11-06-15	GAC Ann. № 28 – On-line publication of commodity classification of polarizing film
26-06-15	GAC Ann. № 30 – Carbon steel fasteners from EU – final review
30-06-15	MOFCOM/GAC, General Armament Department of National Defense Science and Industry Council Bulletin № 20 of 2015 - on the implementation of the temporary export controls on dual-use unmanned aerial vehicles ads
	MOFCOM/GAC Announcement № 21, 2015 - dual-use items and technology import and export license management catalog

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India

Other CBEC and DGFT notifications, circulars and instructions

The following Central Board of Excise and Customs (CBEC) Customs notifications (NT-non tariff, T-tariff), circulars (Cir) and instructions (other than anti-dumping, countervailing duty and safeguard) and Directorate General of Foreign Trade (DGFT) notifications were issued during the period covered by this Update:

Date	Series and №	Subject
09-06-15	Cir. 19/2015-Cus	Revision of Handbook of Procedures (HBP)- Changes/ amendments in the EOU/EHTP/STP/BTP Schemes
10-06-15	37/2015-Cus.(T)	Re: importation of drugs required for National AIDS Control Programme
15-06-15	38/2015-Cus.(T)	Amendments in notification 24/2015-Customs regarding items restricted for export
	61/2015-Cus (NT)	Tariff value for certain commodities
16-06-15	39/2015-Cus (T)	Amends Not. 12/2012-Cus (17-03-12) by substitution of tariff subheadings
17-06-15	62/2015-Cus (NT)	Amendments to the Courier Imports and Exports (Clearance) Regulations, 1998

Date	Series and №	Subject
30-06-15	65/2015-Cus (NT)	Tariff value for certain commodities

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Indonesia

Regulations and other legal documents

The following import or export regulations and other documents were issued by the Ministry of Trade (T), the Ministry of Finance (F) or Customs & Excise (CE) (dd-mm-yy).

Date	Reference and Matter
25-05-15	33/ M-DAG/PER/5/2015 Amendment to the Regulation of the Minister of Trade No. 44 / M-DAG / PER / 7/2014 About Conditions tin exports (T)
	37/ M-DAG/PER/5/2015 Pricing Benchmark Export Processing Results Over Mining Products Subject to Export Duty (T)
	38/M-DAG/PER/5/2015 Pricing Benchmark Export of Agricultural and Forestry Over subjected Duty (T)
27-05-15	Circular of the Director General of Customs and Excise Number SE-06 / BC / 2015 - Guidance Document analysis Customs Compliance in the Context of excisable goods Entrepreneur (CE)
29-05-15	Circular Letter No. SE-07 / BC / 2015 - Technical Guidelines for Customs Procedures Top Entry and Travel Boat (Yacht) Foreigners in the Context of Tomini 2015 Sail and Sail to Anambas and Natuna 2015 (CE)
01-06-15	Finance Decree No. KEP-1167/Km.4 /2015 - Pricing for Calculation of Export Levy - The export price for calculating export duties for product mix and other products (F)
10-06-15	41/M-DAG/PER/6/2015 Change on the Import and Export of Animals and Animal Products (T)
	40/M-DAG/PER/6/2015 Second Amendment to Regulation No. 16/M-DAG/PER/4/2013 On the Import of Horticultural Products (T)
25-06-15	44/M-DAG/PER/6/2015 Pricing Benchmark Export of Agricultural and Forestry Products Up subjected Duty (T)
	43/M-DAG/PER/6/2015 Pricing Benchmark Export Processing Results Over Mining Products Subject to Export Duty (T)

Korea

South Korea and China formally sign FTA

On 1 June 2015, the Ministry of Trade, Industry and Energy (MOTIE) [announced](#) The Republic of Korea (ROK) and China formally signed a bilateral free trade agreement (FTA) in Seoul today, opening a new era of their future partnership. The FTA started in May 2012. Both countries agree that in addition to promoting bilateral trade and investment, the FTA will serve as a platform to pursue cooperation for new growth engines in all directions between the governments and companies of both countries. The ROK government will submit a bill to the National Assembly for approval of the signed FTA and carry out its implementation as soon as possible in order to quickly bring its benefits to the country's people and companies. The FTA will go into effect 60 days after both countries notify each other in writing of the completion of their local procedures for the implementation or on a set date agreed upon by both parties.

According to the Chinese news agency, [Xinhuanet](#), and the [Chinese Ministry of Commerce](#) (MOFCOM), under the FTA, written in Chinese, Korean and English, South Korea will eliminate tariffs on 92 percent of all products from China within 20 years after the implementation, in return for China abolishing tariffs on 91 percent of all South Korean goods. The FTA covers 17 fields such as the trade in goods, the service trade, the investment and rules as well as “trade and economic topics in the 21st century” like e-commerce, competitive policy, government procurement and the environment.

The two countries agreed to resume negotiations about the services sector within two years after the FTA comes into force to seek an opportunity for further liberalization of the sector.

Also, a total of 310 products manufactured in the Kaesong Industrial Complex would be subject to preferential tariffs right after the FTA implementation, allowing more benefits to the inter-Korean industrial park than any other FTA that South Korea has signed.

The industrial zone is located in the DRPK (North Korea) border town of Kaesong, north of the heavily fortified inter-Korean land border. About 120 South Korean companies are running factories there, hiring some 53,000 DPRK workers.

Government asks National Assembly to approve three FTAs

On 8 June 2015, the Ministry of Trade, Industry and Energy (MOTIE) announced that the South Korean government submitted three bills to the National Assembly for approval on the recently signed bilateral free trade agreements (FTAs) with China, Vietnam and New Zealand.

The government will make its best efforts to put the FTAs with these countries into effect as soon as possible to realize their benefits, the MOTIE’s Deputy Trade Minister Woo Taehee said in a press briefing.

Malaysia

Federal Government Gazette

The following documents were published in the [Warta Kerajaan Persekutuan - Federal Government Gazette](#)

Date	Matter
08-06-15	P.U. (A) 110/2015 Customs Duties (Exemption) (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 2015 - Customs Act 1967
	P.U. (A) 111/2015 Customs Duties (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 2015 - Customs Act 1967
	P.U. (A) 112/2015 Customs Duties (Goods of ASEAN Countries Origin) (ASEAN Harmonised Tariff Nomenclature and ASEAN Trade In Goods Agreement) (Amendment) (No. 2) Order 2015 - Customs Act 1967
11-06-15	P.U. (B) 246/2015 Notification of Values of Crude Petroleum Oil Under Section 12 - Customs Act 1967
	<i>[Note: The Government website was temporarily shut down – our coverage will continue in future issues]</i>

Customs rulings

Monthly compendiums of Customs classification rulings (with images where available) are available on the recently redesigned Royal Malaysian Customs Department website. Although the rulings are written in Malay, the product is usually listed in English and there are often English language descriptions and references

to rulings in English from other Customs administrations. The rulings may be found under the topic: [Keputusan Ketetapan Kastam](#).

New Zealand

Alcohol excise and HPA levy changes from 1 July 2015

The annual adjustment to the excise and excise-equivalent duty rates on alcoholic beverages will take place on 1 July 2015. The annual adjustment is based on movements in the consumer prices index less credit services subgroup over the 12-month period to 31 March 2015. The new rates are those set out in the [Excise and Excise-equivalent Duties Table \(Alcoholic Beverages Indexation\) Amendment Order 2015](#). The rates (in New Zealand dollars) are summarised as:

Current excise rate to 30 June 2015	New excise rate from 1 July 2015
42.401 cents per litre	42.472 cents per litre
\$28.273 per litre of alcohol	\$28.320 per litre of alcohol
\$2.2617 per litre	\$2.2655 per litre
\$2.8273 per litre	\$2.8320 per litre
\$51.493 per litre of alcohol	\$51.579 per litre of alcohol

Alcohol products removed from a licensed manufacturing area or imported after midnight on 30 June 2015 will be subject to the new rates. For further information see the [Types of duties, fees & charges](#) section.

The annual adjustment to the Health Promotion Agency (HPA) levy rates on alcoholic beverages will take place on 1 July 2015. The new rates are those set out in the [New Zealand Public Health and Disability \(Health Promotion Agency Levy\) Order 2015](#). The new HPA rates are:

Current HPA rates to 30 June 2015	New HPA rates from 1 July 2015
0.5658 cents per litre	0.5628 cents per litre
1.6553 cents per litre	1.6590 cents per litre
3.0177 cents per litre	3.0015 cents per litre
3.7721 cents per litre	3.7519 cents per litre
6.8297 cents per litre	6.9674 cents per litre
14.5258 cents per litre	14.4058 cents per litre

(Note: some rates increase while others decrease). Alcohol products removed from a licensed manufacturing area or imported after midnight on 30 June 2015 will be subject to the new rates.

New biosecurity levy rates from 1 July 2015

The biosecurity system entry levy is charged by the Ministry for Primary Industries (MPI) for security screening of imported goods. New levy rates come into force on 1 July 2015 and these are set out in the [Biosecurity \(System Entry Levy\) Amendment Order 2015](#). The rates are summarised as follows:

Fee	New rates from 1 July 2015
Biosecurity system entry levy on import entries	NZ\$17.37 (\$19.98 including GST)
Biosecurity system entry levy on inward cargo reports (air and sea)	NZ\$13.15 (\$15.12 including GST)

The entry levy is payable on every entry on which an import entry transaction fee is payable. The inward cargo reports levy is payable on the submission of the Inward Cargo Reports.

Customs collects the fees on behalf of MPI at the same time as the Customs charges, ie, the import entry transaction fee (IETF) and the inward cargo transaction fees. There has been no change to the IETF but the increase in the biosecurity system entry levy brings the total fees for processing an import entry to NZ\$49.24 (GST included).

Further information is available from [MPI](#).

AD/CVD regime: Introducing an automatic termination period in conjunction with a bounded public interest test

The Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) is consulting on introducing an automatic termination period (ATP) into the anti-dumping regime, in addition to a bounded public interest test. As part of the consultation process, MBIE invites submissions from interested parties on a supplementary discussion paper titled [“Introducing a Bounded Public Interest Test and Automatic Termination Period into the Anti-Dumping and Countervailing Duties Regime”](#).

This supplementary discussion paper proposes introducing an automatic termination period (ATP), in addition to a bounded public interest test, into the anti-dumping and countervailing duties regime. A public interest test would allow competition and consumer welfare elements to be considered before an anti-dumping or countervailing duty is imposed. An ATP would provide for the automatic termination of a duty after a set period of time has elapsed.

Together, the above two measures will introduce competition and consumer welfare elements when a decision is made to impose duties and encourage domestic industry to use the limited period when duties are in place to adjust to expected future competition from dumped goods.

This supplementary discussion paper invites you to comment on the possible introduction of an ATP, to be introduced in addition to a bounded public interest test, into the anti-dumping and countervailing duties regime. The discussion paper also invites your feedback on two possible options on the design of a potential ATP. This discussion paper is likely to be of interest to importing firms, domestic producers, consumer representatives, distributors, retailers, and other firms that operate throughout the distribution/selling chain.

Last date for submission is 26 June 2015. Submissions may be made electronically (preferred) or by post. Electronic submissions should be in Adobe Acrobat or Microsoft Word or compatible format and sent as an attachment to: traderem@mbie.govt.nz.

Customs and Excise (Objectionable Publications) Amendment Bill

The [Customs and Excise \(Objectionable Materials\) Amendment Act 2015](#) increased the maximum penalty from 5 years to 10 years imprisonment for knowingly importing, exporting, transporting, shipping, an objectionable publication; or conspiring to remove an objectionable publication from a Customs controlled area.

Motor Spirits: Excise and Levy changes on 1 July 2015

Increase in excise duties of 3 cents: The excise and excise-equivalent duties on motor spirits will increase by 3 cents from 56.524 cents to 59.524 cents on 1 July 2015. [The Customs and Excise \(Budget Measures – Motor Spirits\) Amendment Act 2013](#) provides for this increase in 2015 and is the last of the three increases. Motor spirits removed from a licensed manufacturing area or imported after midnight on 30 June 2014 will be subject to the new rates. Revenue from the excise on motor spirits goes to the National Land Transport Fund.

More information is available from the [Ministry of Transport](#).

Decrease in the Accident Compensation Corporation (ACC) levy of 3 cents: The ACC levy on motor spirits will decrease by 3 cents from 9.9 cents to 6.9 cents on 1 July 2015. The [Accident Compensation \(Motor Vehicle Account Levies\) Regulations 2015](#) provides for this 3 cents decrease. Motor spirits removed from a licensed manufacturing area or imported after midnight on 30 June 2014 will be subject to the new rate.

More information is available from [ACC](#).

Ban on waste tyre exports to China and Vietnam

On 3 June 2015, the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) [advised](#) that the export of waste (end of life) tyres to China and Vietnam is banned. Used tyres being exported for re-use on vehicles are not affected by this ban.

This prohibition on export to these two destinations has arisen due to both countries declaring waste tyres to be hazardous waste and banning their importation. As a signatory to the *Basel Convention on the Transboundary Movement of Hazardous Waste*, New Zealand is required to prohibit the export to these destinations. The Vietnamese Government has granted an exemption for the import of tyres classified as hazardous waste to one specific plant until the end of 2015. Tyres may not be regarded as hazardous waste if they are exported to this plant that has an exemption for scrap material for use (or recovery) as a secondary material for industrial production. In this case, no permit for export of hazardous waste is required from the EPA.

Further information can be found here on the [EPA website](#)

New Zealand Gazette

The following international trade related documents were published in the *New Zealand Gazette* (dd-mm-yy):

Date	Matter
02-06-15	Tariff (Statistical Requirements) Amendment Notice (No. 1) 2015
	Tariff Concession (Advertisement) Notice No. 2015/18
09-06-15	Tariff Concession (Advertisement) Notice No. 2015/19
	Tariff Concession Approvals, Withdrawals and Declines Notice (No. 19) 2015
16-06-15	Tariff Concession (Advertisement) Notice No. 2015/20
	Tariff Concession Approvals, Withdrawals and Declines Notice (No. 20) 2015
18-06-15	Unsafe Goods (Hot Water Bottles) Notice 2015

Philippines

Customs Orders

The following [Customs Administrative Orders \(CAO\)](#), [Customs Memorandum Circulars \(CMC\)](#) (other than IPR recordations, exchange rates, and rice prices) and [Customs Memorandum Orders \(CMO\)](#) were posted to the [Bureau of Customs website](#) [Date is mm/dd/yy]:

Date	Reference	Matter
05-29-15	CMO 13-2015	BOC-PEZA JMO 1-2015A Entitled Clarification on Section 7 of BOC-PEZA JMO 1-2015

Date	Reference	Matter
	CMO 14-2015	Revised Regulations for BOC Accreditation of Philippine Economic Zone Authority (PEZA) Locators
06-05-15	Memorandum	Lack of Updated 2015 List of Specimen Seals and Signatures for Certificates of Origin (Form E) from China under the ASEAN China Free Trade Agreement
06-xx-15	CMO 15-2015	Operation and Sustainment of Program Provided Equipment (PPE) For Detection of weapons of Mass Destruction
06-09-15	CMO 16-2015	Issuance of New BOC Identification Cards (to employees and certain stakeholders)
06-17-15	CMO 18-2015	Guidelines In The Implementation of The Second Pilot Project For The ASEAN Self-Certification
06-23-15	Memorandum	New Security Stamps for Health Certificates for the Export of Animal Products from Argentina
06-29-15	Memorandum	Department Circular No. 2015-0098, entitled "Re-issuance of Registration Amnesty for Non-Compliant Do-It-Yourself and Hobby Items Classified as Household/Urban Hazardous Substances (HUHS) Products"
06-30-15	Memorandum	Revised Regulations for BOC Accreditation of Philippine Economic Zone Authority (PEZA) Locators

Singapore

Notices, circulars, etc.

Date	Reference	Matter
08-06-15	Cir. № 08/2015	New Permit Condition for Unstuffing of Dutiable Goods in LWs and Excise Factories
15-06-15	Notice № 7/2015	Updates: Implementation of Enhanced Singpass in July 2015
22-06-15	Notice № 9/2015	Declaring Agent Account Renewal Exercise

Thailand

Thailand imposes tight controls on export of dual-use goods

The Thai cabinet recently approved a new regulation proposed by the Ministry of Commerce ("MOC") to control the export of dual-use goods in accordance with United Nations Security Council requirements, and to protect Thai exports.

Thailand's development on export regulation regarding dual-use goods has been ongoing since 2008. A Working Group on Preparing an Export Control System of Dual Use Goods had been established on 13 March 2008. In July 2010, the Cabinet approved the establishment of a management system in import/export of Dual Use Goods. In September 2010, the Dual Use Goods Export Management Committee was established to prescribe policies on export, transit, transshipment and re-export of dual-use goods; and to prescribe a list of dual-use goods and export license procedures.

However, the progress has been slow. Only in March 2015, the MOC proposed to the Cabinet to set up a Sub-Committee regarding management of dual-use goods to prescribe policies, measures and to supervise other relevant agencies.

Subsequently, on 2 June 2015, the Cabinet approved in principle a draft MOC notification regulating the dual-use goods ("Notification"). The main contents of the said draft Notification are as follows:

- Goods falling under a list attached to the Notification or goods which are believed or suspected that their end uses or their end users will be relating to weapons of

mass destruction must obtain approval from MOC before being exported out of Thailand

- Goods falling under a second list attached to the Notification e.g. natural graphite, uranium/thorium ore or concentrate, oil, petroleum gas, hydrogen gas, are subject to certain export measures such as:
 - The exporter must register itself with Department of International Trade according to subsequent rules and regulations.
 - The exporter must certify before Department of International Trade that the said exported goods are not dual use goods according to subsequent rules and regulations.

The draft Notification will subsequently be forwarded to the Council of State and then National Legislative Assembly for consideration. It is hoped that the Notification will be finalized and entered into force by 2015. It is likely that the list of dual-use goods under the Notification will be based on the EU's list (i.e. Annex I to Regulation 428/2009).

Regardless of the pace of the development, please note that some dual-use goods are already subject to export regulation under current Thai laws and the Notification is likely not to cover such goods. For example:

- *Control of the Exportation of Arms, Armament and War Implements Act B.E. 2495 (1952)*: Weapons, explosive, ammunitions and tools and implements which may be used for combat or war
- *Atomic Energy for Peace Act B.E. 2504 (1961)*: Uranium, Thorium, Plutonium and by-products
- *Hazardous Substances Act B.E. 2535 (1992)*: hazardous chemical substances that may be used for developing chemical weapons e.g. triethanolamine
- *Pathogens and Animal Toxins Act B.E. 2525 (1982)*: pathogens and animal toxins

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Vietnam

Government documents

The following Government laws, decrees, decisions, notices and other documents related to international trade were posted by the General Department of Vietnam Customs on its [website](#). Translations are automated and unofficial [dd-mm-yy]:

Date	Reference and Matter
01-06-15	Official Letter 4928/TCHQ-TXNK re: VAT on oil and gas activities
02-06-15	Official Letter 5002/TCHQ-GSQL re: List of imported goods to check quality
	Official Letter 5013/TCHQ-TXNK re: exempt goods imported under international agreements
	Document 7260/BTC-TCHQ Ministry of Finance re: procedures for goods carried along when exiting
03-06-15	Official Letter 5022/TCHQ-TXNK re: VAT
04-06-15	Circular 11/2015/TT-BCT of the Ministry of Industry and Trade regulations on transit of the People's Republic of China via the territory of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam
	Document 7362/BTC-TCHQ re: sugar re-exports through the side gate of Lao Cai province
	Official Letter 5113/TCHQ-TXNK – Classification of imported goods

Date	Reference and Matter
	Decision 1553/QĐ-TCHQ – establishment of bonded warehouse
05-06-15	Official Letter 5133/TCHQ-TXNK re: determination of imported goods code
	Official Letter 5157/TCHQ-TXNK re: customs procedure inquiries
	Official Letter 5158/TCHQ-TXNK re: VAT
08-06-15	Decision № 1575/QĐ-TCHQ on the expansion site of customs procedures at the port of export and import goods inland at Di An - Binh Duong
09-06-15	Official Letter 5269/TCHQ-ĐTCBL re: strengthening the fight against cigarette smuggling
	Official Letter 5264/TCHQ-GSQL re: imported scrap
	Official Letter 5259/TCHQ-GSQL re: customs declarations for car, motorcycle import, temporary import Export
	Official Letter 5211/TCHQ-GSQL re: customs procedures, customs supervision at inspection sites of corporations Saigon Newport Company
11-06-15	Document № 7744/BTC-TCHQ of the Ministry of Finance re: classification rubber goods
16-06-15	Official Letter 5477/TCHQ-TXNK re: VAT rate equipment and medical instruments
17-06-15	Official Letter 5494/TCHQ-TXNK General Department of Customs re: VAT anti-fungal shampoo items
18-06-15	Official Letter 5577/TCHQ-TXNK refund coordination import VAT wrongly paid or overpaid
19-06-15	Dispatch 5615/TCHQ/GSQL to confirm eligibility checks, customs control for duty free shops
	Official Letter 5620/TCHQ-VP implementing the guidelines of the Minister of Finance to export litchis
22-06-15	Dispatch 5672/TCHQ-TXNK on the classification P10 LED Modules (3 colors)
	Dispatch 5671/TCHQ-TXNK the implementation of Circular No. 122/2014 / TT-BTC dated 04/27/2014 of the Ministry of Finance
23-06-15	Decision 1761/QĐ-TCHQ promulgated regulations implementing coordinated development tasks partnership Customs - Business in the customs sector
	Official 49/CCHĐH-TH guide to implementation of the Regulation on Customs consultations - Enterprise and stakeholders
	Dispatch 5681/TCHQ Risk Management - risk management to achieve the diversification of declaration
	Dispatch 5743/TCHQ CNTT to apply printing and publishing licenses for goods imported under the module before the Ministry of Health joint circulars guiding national OSS Date effective
	Dispatch 8406/BTC-8406 handle import duty on raw materials
24-06-15	Official Letter 5781/TCHQ-TXNK HS code of goods imports
25-06-15	111/ SY-VP-VP for the duplication of Circular No. 12/2015 / TT-BCT dated 12/6 / 2015 of the Ministry of Industry and Trade provides for the application of the regime of automatic import licensing for certain steel products
	Dispatch 5823/TCHQ- TXNK EPT on gasoline imports for export production

Europe

European Union and EFTA

EU and China issue joint statement on their mutual recognition agreement for trusted traders' programmes

On 29 June 2015, during the 17th EU-China summit in Brussels, the EU and China issued a [joint statement](#) on the mutual recognition of their trusted traders' programmes. The statement said that on 16 May 2014, the EU/China Joint Customs Co-operation Committee (JCCC) decided on mutual recognition of the Authorised Economic Operator Programme (EU) and the Classified Management of Enterprises Program (China) as an important objective to strengthen end-to-end supply chain security for trade in goods.

China has replaced its *Measures on Classified Management of Enterprises* by the *Interim Measures of Customs Administration for Enterprise Credit Management* with effect from 1 December 2014. In this light, the European Commission and the General Administration of Customs of the People's Republic of China state that:

- The joint assessment of the new measures has concluded that the recent Chinese Interim Measures for Enterprise Credit Management are in line with the World Customs Organisation SAFE Framework of Standards and legally compatible with EU customs legislation.
- Prior to the implementation of the decision on mutual recognition, compatibility is still to be jointly confirmed in relation to the practical implementation of the new measures. This confirmation is to address the organisational aspects relating to the certification of enterprises, the IT development requirements, the training for the auditors and the process of monitoring by customs.
- The two sides are to develop the relevant IT programmes and to conduct joint testing to ensure smooth implementation of data exchanges under the mutual recognition decision. This effort should be compatible with the wider IT developments across the spectrum of EU-China customs cooperation.
- The benefits of the respective programmes and of their mutual recognition will be communicated by the two sides to enterprises and to the public.
- The successful completion of the actions outlined above should allow the mutual recognition decision and the related benefits to be implemented in November 2015.

In an [Information Note](#), the European Commission indicated that the mutual recognition agreement that is due to come into force in November 2015 will allow certified companies to benefit from faster controls and reduced administration for customs clearance. Mutual recognition of trusted traders also allows customs to focus their resources on real risk areas, thereby improving supply chain security on both sides. The EU, which launched its AEO programme in 2008, is the first trading partner to enter into such an agreement with China, having already signed similar deals with the USA (2012) and Japan (2011). China introduced similar measures for its own reliable enterprises in 2008, which were replaced by a new legislation from 1 December 2014.

EFTA and Central American States sign Protocol of Accession of Guatemala to the EFTA-Central America FTA

On 22 June 2015, the European Free Trade Association (EFTA) [announced](#) that Ministers from the Member States of EFTA – Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland – and from Costa Rica, Guatemala and Panama signed the *Protocol of Accession of Guatemala to the EFTA-Central American Free Trade Agreement* (FTA) in Schaan, Liechtenstein. Guatemala is the first country to accede to this FTA, which will further enhance the economic ties and promote trade and investment between the EFTA States and Guatemala.

Building on a Joint Declaration on Cooperation signed by the EFTA States and Panama in July 2010, negotiations between EFTA and four Central American States were launched in November 2011 and were concluded with Costa Rica and Panama in December 2012. Negotiations with Guatemala were concluded in November 2014. The negotiations with Honduras are on hold. The EFTA-Central America FTA was signed by the EFTA States, Costa Rica and Panama in June 2013 and entered into force in August 2014 for Costa Rica, Panama, Norway Liechtenstein and Switzerland and September 2014 for Iceland.

The EFTA-Central America FTA has comprehensive coverage, including trade in goods (industrial and agricultural goods, fish and other marine products), rules of

origin, trade facilitation, trade in services, investment, competition, protection of intellectual property rights, government procurement and sustainable development. A Joint Committee supervises the functioning of the FTA. The accession of Guatemala will become effective after completion of the necessary internal procedures by all the Parties.

7th EU-Japan Joint Customs Cooperation Committee (JCCC)

On 10 June 2015, the European Commission Taxation and Customs Union [announced](#) that during the 7th EU-Japan Joint Customs Cooperation Committee, top-level customs officials discussed bilateral cooperation and took an important step towards the creation of an IT system which will support automated data exchange between Japanese and EU customs authorities for the mutual recognition of Authorised Economic Operators by signing the Interface Control Document which constitutes the technical specifications for these exchanges.

Businesses in many countries across the world can get certified as an Authorised Economic Operator, or a trusted trader, in order to facilitate access to simplified customs regimes and be granted more favourable treatment when complying with new security requirements. The EU and Japan have mutually recognised their respective 'trusted trader' programmes in respect of security requirements in 2010, and the Mutual Recognition Agreement has been fully implemented since 2011. The digitalisation of customs procedures is crucial in order to ensure that these programmes function properly and effectively.

The EU and Japan also confirmed their willingness to strengthen cooperation between their customs authorities with the objective of identifying and mitigating threats which may affect international trade routes. Facilitating trade by exploring new mechanisms, such as accelerated trade lanes, to support exporters in both the EU and Japan was also a key priority of the meeting. The objective of such innovations is to provide concrete benefits for businesses trading across borders.

Yemen - EU imposes additional travel bans and asset freezes

On 8 June 2015, the Council of the European Union announced that it proposed to implement UN Security Council Resolution 2216 (2015) of 14 April 2015 and impose travel bans and asset freezes on two additional Yemeni individuals over their actions against Yemen's peace and stability, and impose an arms embargo against those who are subject to these restrictions in respect of Yemen (which also covers the provision of technical and financial assistance related to military activities). These measures take effect on 9 and 10 June respectively pursuant to [Council Implementing Regulation \(EU\) 2015/879](#) and [Council Regulation \(EU\) 2015/878](#). The two additional individuals are Abdulmalik al-Houthi, a Houthi leader, and Ahmed Ali Abdullah Saleh, the son of the former President, Ali Abdullah Saleh. Three individuals have been subject to the asset freeze and travel ban since December 2014 (two other members of the Houthi movement as well as former Yemeni President Ali Saleh).

For additional information, please contact [Ross L. Denton](#) or [Sunny Mann](#), of our London office, who posted the above information on our [Sanctions blog](#), which should be regularly checked for updates.

EU Plant Protection Package enters into force in the EEA

EFTA [announced](#) that on 1 June 2015, an EEA Joint Committee Decision from 2014 to extend EU rules on plant protection products (PPPs) to Iceland, Liechtenstein and Norway entered into force, with the aim of strengthening the enforcement of human health and environmental legislation.

The EEA Joint Committee incorporated the two main legal acts on PPPs into the EEA Agreement last autumn. The first repeals a directive from 1991 and sets out the approval criteria for active substances to be used in PPPs and the approval process for PPPs. The second is a directive establishing a framework for Community action to achieve the sustainable use of pesticides. These two legal acts are part of the new EU framework in the field of plant protection.

The EFTA Secretariat published a feature article last week on the changes introduced by the EU Plant Protection Package. You can read the article [here](#)

Commission tariff classification regulations

No tariff classification regulations were issued by the European Commission during the period covered by this Update.

Amendments to the CN Explanatory Notes

[See separate section below](#) for amendments to the *Explanatory Notes to the Combined Nomenclature of the European Union* that were published in the *Official Journal* during the period covered by this Update.

Binding Tariff Information

The European Community has created the Binding Tariff Information (BTI) system as a tool to assist economic operators to obtain the correct tariff classification for goods they intend to import or export.

Binding Tariff Information is issued on request to economic operators by the customs authorities of the Member States. It is valid throughout the Community, regardless of the Member State which issued it. For information about an existing BTI, you may want to contact the [customs administration of the Member State](#) which issued it. However, remember that, according to the provisions for data protection, there are limitations as to the information an administration can provide. You can search and consult existing BTIs on the [EBTI-database](#).

Official Journal documents

The following documents of interest to international traders (excluding documents relating to day-to-day management of agricultural matters, individual protected designations of origin registrations, approvals or restrictions on specific substances and fishing rights) were published in the *Official Journal of the European Union*:

OJ Date	Subject
02-06-15	Decision No 1 of the EU-Serbia Stabilisation and Association Council of 21 October 2013 adopting its rules of procedure [2015/857]
03-06-15	Summary of European Commission Decisions on authorisations for the placing on the market for the use and/or for use of substances listed in Annex XIV to Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH) (Published pursuant to Article 64(9) of Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006) [2015/C 182/03]
04-06-15	Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/861 of 3 June 2015 concerning the authorisation of potassium iodide, calcium iodate anhydrous and coated granulated calcium iodate anhydrous as feed additives for all animal species Commission Delegated Directive (EU) 2015/863 of 31 March 2015 amending Annex II to Directive 2011/65/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council

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	<p>as regards the list of restricted substances</p> <p>Corrigendum to Council Directive 2005/94/EC of 20 December 2005 on Community measures for the control of avian influenza and repealing Directive 92/40/EEC (OJ L 10, 14.1.2006)</p> <p>Commission Regulation (EU) 2015/845 of 27 May 2015 amending Annexes II and III to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards maximum residue levels for azoxystrobin, chlorantraniliprole, cyantraniliprole, dicamba, difenoconazole, fenpyroximate, fludioxonil, glufosinate-ammonium, imazapic, imazapyr, indoxacarb, isoxaflutole, mandipropamid, penthiopyrad, propiconazole, pyrimethanil, spirotetramat and trinexapac in or on certain products</p>
05-06-15	<p>Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/864 of 4 June 2015 amending Regulation (EC) No 340/2008 on the fees and charges payable to the European Chemicals Agency pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH)</p> <p>Commission Regulation (EU) 2015/846 of 28 May 2015 amending Annexes II and III to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards maximum residue levels for acetamiprid, ametoctradin, amisulbrom, bupirimate, clofentezine, ethephon, ethirimol, fluopicolide, imazapic, propamocarb, pyraclostrobin and tau-fluvalinate in or on certain products</p> <p>Directive (EU) 2015/849 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 May 2015 on the prevention of the use of the financial system for the purposes of money laundering or terrorist financing, amending Regulation (EU) No 648/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council, and repealing Directive 2005/60/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council and Commission Directive 2006/70/EC</p>
06-06-15	<p>Commission Regulation (EU) 2015/870 of 5 June 2015 amending, as regards the trade in species of wild fauna and flora, Regulation (EC) No 865/2006 laying down detailed rules concerning the implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 338/97</p> <p>Commission Decision (EU) 2015/877 of 4 June 2015 amending Decisions 2009/568/EC, 2011/333/EU, 2011/381/EU, 2012/448/EU and 2012/481/EU in order to prolong the validity of the ecological criteria for the award of the EU Ecolabel to certain products (notified under document C(2015) 3641)</p>
09-06-15	<p>Corrigendum to Decision No 1 of the EU-Serbia Stabilisation and Association Council of 21 October 2013 adopting its rules of procedure [2015/857] (OJ L 135, 2.6.2015)</p> <p>Notifications under Article 37 of Regulation (EC) No 562/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council establishing a Community Code on the rules governing the movement of persons across borders (Schengen Borders Code) — The possibility for a Member State to provide by law for an obligation to hold or carry papers and documents pursuant to Article 21(c) [2015/C 191/07]</p>
10-06-15	<p>Commission Decision (EU) 2015/886 of 8 June 2015 amending Decision 2014/312/EU establishing the ecological criteria for the award of the EU Ecolabel for indoor and outdoor paints and varnishes (notified under document C(2015) 3782)</p> <p>Commission Regulation (EU) 2015/868 of 26 May 2015 amending Annexes II, III and V to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards maximum residue levels for 2,4,5-T, barban, binapacryl, bromophos-ethyl, camphechlor (toxaphene), chlorbufam, chloroxuron, chlozolinate, DNOC, di-allate, dinoseb, dinoterb, dioxathion, ethylene oxide, fentin acetate, fentin hydroxide, flucycloxuron, flucythrinate, formothion, mecarbam, methacrifos, monolinuron, phenothrin, propham, pyrazophos, quinalphos, resmethrin, tecnazene and vinclozolin in or on certain products</p>
11-06-15	<p>Council Decision (EU) 2015/890 of 8 June 2015 on the position to be adopted, on behalf of the European Union, within the EEA Joint Committee concerning an amendment to Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) of the EEA Agreement (Novel foods)</p> <p>Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2015/892 of 9 June 2015 concerning the approval of a plan for preventive vaccination against low pathogenic avian</p>

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	<p>influenza in a holding keeping mallard ducks in Portugal and certain measures restricting the movements of such poultry and their products (notified under document C(2015) 3745)</p> <p>Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2015/893 of 9 June 2015 as regards measures to prevent the introduction into and the spread within the Union of <i>Anoplophora glabripennis</i> (Motschulsky) (notified under document C(2015) 3772)</p>
12-06-15	<p>Commission Regulation (EU) 2015/896 of 11 June 2015 amending Annex IV to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards maximum residue levels for <i>Trichoderma polysporum</i> strain IMI 206039, <i>Trichoderma asperellum</i> (formerly <i>T. harzianum</i>) strains ICC012, T25 and TV1, <i>Trichoderma atroviride</i> (formerly <i>T. harzianum</i>) strains IMI 206040 and T11, <i>Trichoderma harzianum</i> strains T-22 and ITEM 908, <i>Trichoderma gamsii</i> (formerly <i>T. viride</i>) strain ICC080, <i>Trichoderma asperellum</i> (strain T34), <i>Trichoderma atroviride</i> strain I-1237, geraniol, thymol, sucrose, ferric sulphate (iron (III) sulphate), ferrous sulphate (iron (II) sulphate) and folic acid in or on certain products</p> <p>Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/897 of 11 June 2015 concerning the authorisation of thiamine hydrochloride and thiamine mononitrate as feed additives for all animal species</p> <p>Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2015/902 of 10 June 2015 on a measure taken by Latvia in accordance with Directive 2006/42/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council to prohibit the placing on the market of a lawnmower manufactured by GGP Italy SpA (notified under document C(2015) 3799)</p> <p>Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2015/903 of 10 June 2015 on a measure taken by Spain in accordance with Directive 2006/42/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council to prohibit the placing on the market of a grass trimmer manufactured by NINGBO SPARK TOOLS Co Ltd China (notified under document C(2015) 3800)</p> <p>Corrigendum to Directive 2014/60/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 May 2014 on the return of cultural objects unlawfully removed from the territory of a Member State and amending Regulation (EU) No 1024/2012 (OJ L 159, 28.5.2014)</p> <p>Corrigendum to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/608 of 14 April 2015 amending Regulation (EC) No 798/2008 as regards the entries for Ukraine and Israel in the list of third countries, the approval of the control programme of Ukraine for <i>Salmonella</i> in laying hens, the veterinary certification requirements concerning Newcastle disease and processing requirements for egg products (OJ L 101, 18.4.2015)</p>
13-06-15	<p>Council Decision (EU) 2015/904 of 17 December 2014 on the signing and provisional application, on behalf of the European Union, of the Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an Association between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria, of the other part, on a Framework Agreement between the European Union and the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria on the general principles for the participation of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria in Union programmes</p> <p>Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an Association between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria, of the other part, on a Framework Agreement between the European Union and the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria on the general principles for the participation of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria in Union programmes</p> <p>Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/908 of 11 June 2015 amending Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 798/2008 as regards the entry for Canada in the list of third countries, territories, zones or compartments from which certain poultry commodities may be imported into or transit through the Union in relation to highly pathogenic avian influenza</p> <p>Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2015/911 of 11 June 2015 amending Annex II to Decision 2007/777/EC as regards the entry for Canada in the list of</p>

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	third countries or parts thereof from which the introduction of meat products and treated stomachs, bladders and intestines into the Union is authorised in relation to highly pathogenic avian influenza (notified under document C(2015) 3790)
16-06-15	Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/917 of 15 June 2015 amending Annex I to Regulation (EU) No 206/2010 laying down lists of third countries, territories or parts thereof authorised for the introduction into the European Union of certain animals and fresh meat and the veterinary certification requirements as regards Bangladesh
	Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2015/919 of 12 June 2015 amending Decision 2009/821/EC as regards the lists of border inspection posts and veterinary units in Traces (notified under document C(2015) 3892)
	Decision No 1/2015 of the EU-EFTA Joint Committee on Simplification of Formalities in Trade in Goods of 11 May 2015 as regards an invitation to the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia to accede to the Convention on the simplification of formalities in trade in goods [2015/920]
	Decision No 1/2015 of the EU-EFTA Joint Committee on Common Transit of 11 May 2015 concerning an invitation to the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia to accede to the Convention on a common transit procedure [2015/921]
17-06-15	Council Decision (EU) 2015/926 of 16 March 2015 on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union within the Association Council set up by the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Tunisia, of the other part, with regard to the adoption of a recommendation on the implementation of the EU-Tunisia Action Plan (2013-2017) implementing the privileged partnership
	Corrigendum to Directive 2014/40/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 3 April 2014 on the approximation of the laws, regulations and administrative provisions of the Member States concerning the manufacture, presentation and sale of tobacco and related products and repealing Directive 2001/37/EC (OJ L 127, 29.4.2014)
18-06-15	Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/931 of 17 June 2015 amending and correcting Regulation (EC) No 1235/2008 laying down detailed rules for implementation of Council Regulation (EC) No 834/2007 as regards the arrangements for imports of organic products from third countries
	Recommendation No 1/2015 of the EU-Tunisia Association Council of 17 March 2015 on the implementation of the EU-Tunisia Action Plan (2013-2017) implementing the privileged partnership within the framework of the European Neighbourhood Policy [2015/935]
	Regulation No 107 of the Economic Commission for Europe of the United Nations (UNECE) — Uniform provisions concerning the approval of category M₂ or M₃ vehicles with regard to their general construction [2015/922]
	Judgment of the Court of 28 January 2015 in Case E-12/14 — EFTA Surveillance Authority v Iceland (Failure by a Contracting Party to fulfil its obligations — Directive 2009/125/EC on ecodesign requirements for energy-related products — Failure to implement) [2015/C 201/06]
	Judgment of the Court of 28 January 2015 in Case E-14/14 — EFTA Surveillance Authority v Iceland (Failure by a Contracting Party to fulfil its obligations — Failure to implement — Directive 2009/48/EC on the safety of toys) [2015/C 201/08]
	Judgment of the Court of 28 January 2015 in Case E-15/14 — EFTA Surveillance Authority v Iceland (Failure by a Contracting Party to fulfil its obligations — Failure to implement — Regulation (EU) No 1007/2011 on textile fibre names and related labelling and marking of the fibre composition of textile products — Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 286/2012) [2015/C 201/09]
19-06-15	Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/943 of 18 June 2015 on emergency measures suspending imports of dried beans from Nigeria and amending Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 669/2009
20-06-15	Information concerning the signature of the Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and Algeria, of the other part, on a Framework Agreement between the European Union and Algeria on the general prin-

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	<p>ciples for the participation of Algeria in Union programmes</p> <p>Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/949 of 19 June 2015 approving the pre-export checks carried out on certain food by certain third countries as regards the presence of certain mycotoxins</p> <p>Information relating to the entry into force of the amendment of Annexes II, V, VII and VIII to the Agreement between the European Community and New Zealand on sanitary measures applicable to trade in live animals and animal products [2015/C 204/01]</p>
23-06-15	<p>Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2015/974 of 17 June 2015 authorising Member States to adopt certain derogations pursuant to Directive 2008/68/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on the inland transport of dangerous goods (notified under document C(2015) 4087)</p> <p>Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2015/975 of 19 June 2015 on a measure taken by Spain in accordance with Directive 2006/42/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council to prohibit the placing on the market of an impact drill imported to Spain by Hidalgo's Group, Spain (notified under document C(2015) 4086)</p> <p>Commission Recommendation (EU) 2015/976 of 19 June 2015 on the monitoring of the presence of tropane alkaloids in food</p> <p>Corrigendum to Directive 2014/68/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 May 2014 on the harmonisation of the laws of the Member States relating to the making available on the market of pressure equipment (OJ L 189, 27.6.2014)</p>
24-06-15	<p>Decision No 3/2014 of the EU-Ukraine Association Council of 15 December 2014 on the delegation of certain powers by the Association Council to the Association Committee in Trade configuration [2015/980]</p> <p>List of competent authorities which are authorised to search directly the data contained in the second generation Schengen Information System pursuant to Article 31(8) of Regulation (EC) No 1987/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Article 46(8) of Council Decision 2007/533/JHA on the establishment, operation and use of the second generation Schengen Information System [2015/C 208/01]</p> <p>List of N.SIS II Offices and the national SIRENE Bureaux [2015/C 208/02]</p>
25-06-15	<p>Council Regulation (EU) 2015/981 of 23 June 2015 amending Regulation (EU) No 1388/2013 opening and providing for the management of autonomous tariff quotas of the Union for certain agricultural and industrial products</p> <p>Council Regulation (EU) 2015/982 of 23 June 2015 amending Regulation (EU) No 1387/2013 suspending the autonomous Common Customs Tariff duties on certain agricultural and industrial products</p> <p>Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/984 of 24 June 2015 approving copper pyrethrin as an existing active substance for use in biocidal products for product-type 21</p> <p>Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/985 of 24 June 2015 approving clothianidin as an existing active substance for use in biocidal products for product-type 18</p> <p>Council Decision (EU) 2015/989 of 15 June 2015 on the position to be taken on behalf of the European Union in the Trade and Sustainable Development Sub-Committee established by the Association Agreement between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Moldova, of the other part, as regards the adoption of the rules of procedure of the Trade and Sustainable Development Sub-Committee and the list of individuals to serve as experts in panel procedures on trade and sustainable development</p> <p>Council Decision (EU) 2015/991 of 19 June 2015 establishing the position to be adopted on behalf of the European Union in the relevant Committees of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe as regards the proposals for amendments to UN Regulations Nos 14, 17, 28, 29, 41, 49, 51, 54, 59, 80, 83, 95, 100, 101, 109, 117, 134 and 135, on a new UN Regulation on electric vehicle safety of category L, and on amendments to the Consolidated Resolution on the Construction of Vehicles (R.E.3)</p> <p>Regulation (EU) 2015/936 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9</p>

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	<p>June 2015 on common rules for imports of textile products from certain third countries not covered by bilateral agreements, protocols or other arrangements, or by other specific Union import rules</p> <p>Regulation (EU) 2015/937 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 June 2015 repealing Council Regulation (EEC) No 3030/93 on common rules for imports of certain textile products from third countries</p> <p>Regulation (EU) 2015/938 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 June 2015 on the safeguard measures provided for in the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Kingdom of Norway</p> <p>Regulation (EU) 2015/939 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 June 2015 on certain procedures for applying the Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Albania, of the other part</p> <p>Regulation (EU) 2015/940 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 June 2015 on certain procedures for applying the Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and Bosnia and Herzegovina, of the other part, and for applying the Interim Agreement on trade and trade-related matters between the European Community, of the one part, and Bosnia and Herzegovina, of the other part</p> <p>Regulation (EU) 2015/941 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 June 2015 on certain procedures for applying the Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, of the other part</p>
26-06-15	<p>Commission Regulation (EU) 2015/1005 of 25 June 2015 amending Regulation (EC) No 1881/2006 as regards maximum levels of lead in certain foodstuffs</p> <p>Commission Regulation (EU) 2015/1006 of 25 June 2015 amending Regulation (EC) No 1881/2006 as regards maximum levels of inorganic arsenic in foodstuffs</p> <p>Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2015/1009 of 24 June 2015 amending Annex I to Decisions 92/260/EEC and 93/195/EEC as regards the entries for Israel, Libya and Syria, Annex II to Decision 93/196/EEC as regards the entry for Israel, Annex I to Decision 93/197/EEC as regards the entries for Israel and Syria and Annex I to Decision 2004/211/EC as regards the entries for Brazil, Israel, Libya and Syria (<i>notified under document C(2015) 4183</i>)</p> <p>Summary of European Union decisions on marketing authorisations in respect of medicinal products from 1 May 2015 to 31 May 2015 (<i>Published pursuant to Article 13 or Article 38 of Regulation (EC) No 726/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council</i>). [2015/C 211/01]</p>
27-06-15	<p>Council Decision (EU) 2015/1010 of 18 November 2014 on the signing and provisional application of a Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an Association between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Lebanon, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Bulgaria and Romania to the European Union</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an Association between the European Community and its Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Lebanon, of the other part, to take account of the accession of the Republic of Bulgaria and Romania to the European Union <p>Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2015/1011 of 24 April 2015 supplementing Regulation (EC) No 273/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council on drug precursors and Council Regulation (EC) No 111/2005 laying down rules for the monitoring of trade between the Union and third countries in drug precursors, and repealing Commission Regulation (EC) No 1277/2005</p> <p>Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2015/1011 of 24 April 2015 supplementing Regulation (EC) No 273/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council on drug precursors and Council Regulation (EC) No 111/2005 laying down rules for the monitoring of trade between the Union and third countries in drug precursors, and repealing Commission Regulation (EC) No 1277/2005</p> <p>Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/1013 of 25 June 2015 laying down rules in respect of Regulation (EC) No 273/2004 of the European Parliament and of the Council on drug precursors and of Council Regulation (EC) No</p>

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	111/2005 laying down rules for the monitoring of trade between the Union and third countries in drug precursors
30-06-15	Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/1020 of 29 June 2015 concerning the authorisation of the preparation of <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> (ATCC PTA-6737) as a feed additive for laying hens and minor poultry species for laying (holder of the authorisation Kemin Europa NV)
	Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2015/1028 of 26 June 2015 amending Implementing Decision 2014/88/EU suspending temporarily imports from Bangladesh of foodstuffs containing or consisting of betel leaves ('Piper betle') as regards its period of application (notified under document C(2015) 4187)
	Council Decision (EU) 2015/997 of 16 June 2008 on the signing on behalf of the European Community of the Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and Bosnia and Herzegovina, of the other part <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and Bosnia and Herzegovina, of the other part
	Council and Commission Decision (EU, Euratom) 2015/998 of 21 April 2015 on the conclusion of the Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and Bosnia and Herzegovina, of the other part
	Information relating to the entry into force of the Stabilisation and Association Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and Bosnia and Herzegovina, of the other part
	Regulation No 110 of the Economic Commission for Europe of the United Nations (UNECE) — Uniform provisions concerning the approval of: I. specific components of motor vehicles using compressed natural gas (CNG) and/or liquefied natural gas (LNG) in their propulsion system; II. vehicles with regard to the installation of specific components of an approved type for the use of compressed natural gas (CNG) and/or liquefied natural gas (LNG) in their propulsion system [2015/999]
	Regulation No 120 of the Economic Commission for Europe of the United Nations (UNECE) — Uniform provisions concerning the approval of internal combustion engines to be installed in agricultural and forestry tractors and in non-road mobile machinery, with regard to the measurement of the net power, net torque and specific fuel consumption [2015/1000]
	Commission notice concerning the date of application of the Regional Convention on pan-Euro-Mediterranean preferential rules of origin or the protocols on rules of origin providing for diagonal cumulation between the Contracting Parties to this Convention [2015/C 214/05]

Restrictive measures established, amended, corrected

During the past month, the following restrictive measures were established, amended or corrected:

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06-06-15	Council Decision (CFSP) 2015/876 of 5 June 2015 amending Decision 2014/119/CFSP concerning restrictive measures directed against certain persons, entities and bodies in view of the situation in Ukraine
	Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/869 of 5 June 2015 implementing Regulation (EU) No 208/2014 concerning restrictive measures directed against certain persons, entities and bodies in view of the situation in Ukraine
09-06-15	Council Decision (CFSP) 2015/882 of 8 June 2015 amending Decision 2014/932/CFSP concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Yemen
	Council Regulation (EU) 2015/878 of 8 June 2015 amending Regulation (EU) No 1352/2014 concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Yemen
	Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/879 of 8 June 2015 implementing

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	Article 15(1) of Regulation (EU) No 1352/2014 concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Yemen
11-06-15	Corrigendum to Council Regulation (EU) 2015/735 of 7 May 2015 concerning restrictive measures in respect of the situation in South Sudan, and repealing Regulation (EU) No 748/2014 (OJ L 117, 8.5.2015)
20-06-15	Council Decision (CFSP) 2015/959 of 19 June 2015 amending Decision 2014/386/CFSP concerning restrictive measures in response to the illegal annexation of Crimea and Sevastopol
22-06-15	Council Decision (CFSP) 2015/971 of 22 June 2015 amending Decision 2014/512/CFSP concerning restrictive measures in view of Russia's actions destabilising the situation in Ukraine
	Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/961 of 22 June 2015 implementing Regulation (EU) No 36/2012 concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Syria
	Council Implementing Decision (CFSP) 2015/973 of 22 June 2015 implementing Decision 2013/255/CFSP concerning restrictive measures against Syria
26-06-15	Council Decision (CFSP) 2015/1008 of 25 June 2015 amending Decision 2010/413/CFSP concerning restrictive measures against Iran
	Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/1001 of 25 June 2015 implementing Regulation (EU) No 267/2012 concerning restrictive measures against Iran

Antidumping and countervailing duty cases

[See separate *Antidumping Countervailing Duty and Safeguards Investigations, Orders & Reviews* section below.](#)

Individual Countries

France

Notices to importers

The following [notices](#) were posted by Directorate General of Customs and Indirect Taxes (For laws and regulations, decrees, etc. please see listings under *Other EU-EFTA Notices - Import-export related measures*, below) :

Release Date	Ref. No. and Subject
28-05-15	2015/28-Notice to importers of acesulfame potassium originating in China
29-05-15	DA № 15-030 Decree amending the Decree of 21 April 2005 amending the Decree of 21 April 2005 laying down measures to be followed by importers, distributors and users of diesel fuel under conditions of employment and from water emulsions in diesel fuel under conditions employment for the purposes of tax control products.
03-06-15	DA № 15-031 Decree amending the Decree of 10 November 2011 establishing for diesel, jet fuel, liquefied petroleum gas and water emulsions in diesel employment conditions to which the application of preferential tax regime established by the Article 265 of the Customs Code for domestic consumption tax
09-06-15	2015/29-Notice to importers of certain crystalline silicon photovoltaic modules from Malaysia and Taiwan
	2015/30-Notice to importers of certain crystalline silicon photovoltaic modules from China
15-06-15	2015/31-Notice to importers of PSC wires and strands from China

United Kingdom

UK issues guidance on Iran

On 8 June 2015, the Department for Business, Innovation & Skills, Export Control Organisation, Foreign & Commonwealth Office and UK Trade & Investment posted [guidance on embargoes and sanctions on Iran](#). The guidance states that EU sanctions and restrictions are in place for trading with Iran. The UK government does not encourage trade with, or investment in, Iran and has withdrawn all commercial support for trade. If a person decides to trade with Iran, he does so at his own risk. The guidance is reproduced below:

Prohibited activities

Sanctions imposed in view of Iran's nuclear and ballistic missile programmes are set out in full in [Council Regulation \(EU\) 267/2012](#).

In summary the following activities are prohibited:

- the sale, supply, transfer or export of the following goods, software and technology:
 - military goods of all kinds
 - dual-use items as listed in Annexes I and II of the Regulation
 - key equipment and technology for the oil and gas industry as listed in Annexes VI and VIA of the Regulation
 - key naval equipment as listed in Annex VIB of the Regulation
 - software for integrating industrial processes as listed in Annex VIIA
 - graphite and raw and semi-finished metals as listed in Annex VIIB
 - newly minted banknotes and coins
- the provision of technical assistance, brokering services and financial assistance related to the above
- the import, purchase or transport from Iran of military goods of all kinds, and of dual-use items listed in Annexes I and II of the Regulation
- the import or purchase of crude oil or petroleum products which are located in or which originated in Iran; and the provision of related financial assistance including insurance and re-insurance
- the purchase, transport or import of natural gas which is located in Iran or which has been exported from Iran, and the provision of related financial assistance or brokering services
- the granting of any loan or financial credit to, the acquisition or extension of a participation in, or the creation of a joint venture with, any Iranian entity or person engaged in:
 - the manufacture of military goods or dual-use items listed in Annex I or II of the Regulation
 - the exploration or production of crude oil and natural gas, the refining of fuels or the liquefaction of natural gas
 - the petrochemical industry
 - uranium mining, uranium enrichment and reprocessing of uranium

Sanctions imposed in view of the human rights situation in Iran are set out in [Council Regulation \(EU\) 264/2012](#).

The following is prohibited:

- the sale, supply, transfer or export of equipment which might be used for internal repression as listed in Annex III of Council Regulation (EU) 264/2012
- the provision of technical assistance, brokering services and financial assistance related to the above

Activities that require a licence

[Council Regulation \(EU\) 267/2012](#) states that the following activities require a licence:

- the sale, supply, transfer or export of dual-use items as listed in Annex III of the Regulation
- the provision of technical assistance, brokering services and financial assistance related to items listed in Annex III of the Regulation
- the making of an investment in an Iranian entity engaged in the manufacture of items listed in Annex III of the Regulation

Note that current UK policy is that we will only grant licences for items listed in Annex III in exceptional circumstances.

Sanctions imposed in view of the human rights situation in Iran are set out in [Council Regulation \(EU\) 264/2012](#). The following requires a licence:

- the sale, supply, transfer or export of equipment which might be used for the monitoring or interception of internet or telephone communications as listed in Annex IV of the Regulation
- the provision of technical assistance, brokering services and financial assistance related to items listed in Annex IV of the Regulation
- the provision of telecommunication or internet monitoring or interception services of any kind to, or for the direct or indirect benefit of, Iran's government, public bodies, corporations and agencies or any person or entity acting on their behalf or at their direction

Financial sanctions may still be relevant to your transaction, including the authorisation and notification requirements. It is your responsibility to ensure you comply with financial sanctions. For more information see the HM Treasury guidance relating to [nuclear proliferation](#) and [human rights violations](#).

End-use controls

If your items are not listed specifically as a result of specific sanctions regulations, you may still need a licence under so-called 'end-use controls'. This aspect of export controls covers licensing of items that might potentially be used in a Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) programme or military goods.

These controls are outlined in Article 4 of [Council Regulation 428/2009 \(the EU Dual-Use Regulation\)](#) and in the [Export Control Order 2008](#).

For more information on end-use controls, see the guide on [WMD End-Use Control](#) and [Military End-Use Control](#).

The [Iran List](#) provides a listing of organisations in Iran of potential concern.

If you have any concerns about exporting to an end-user in Iran, you should consider seeking advice from the [ECO End-User Advice Service](#).

Apply for an export licence to Iran

Many of the restrictions against Iran are prohibitions. That means that there is a complete ban on supply to Iran. Licences will not normally be issued where there is a prohibition in place.

Exporters can apply for an export licence for their goods or for other transactions subject to control.

The government will consider all applications on a case-by-case basis in line with the provisions of the [Consolidated EU and National Arms Export Licensing Criteria](#).

Read the guide on [Assessment of export licence applications: criteria and policy](#).

The guidance also discussed the current negotiations.

The E3+3 (UK, France, Germany, Russia, China and US) and Iran are engaged in intensive negotiations to reach a comprehensive agreement on Iran's nuclear programme. This was made possible by the agreement in November 2013 of a [Joint Plan of Action](#). Under this agreement Iran and the E3+3 committed to a number of measures in order to create the time and space for a comprehensive negotiation.

On 2 April 2015, the E3+3 and Iran agreed the main parameters of a comprehensive deal on Iran's nuclear programme. Diplomats and technical experts from all sides will continue negotiations to finalise the detail within these agreed parameters by 30 June 2015.

If a comprehensive deal is agreed by 30 June, and Iran takes all the agreed actions on its nuclear programme - verified by the International Atomic Energy Agency – then Iran will receive phased sanctions relief, including comprehensive economic and financial sanctions relief.

HMRC and BIS updates

The following Public Notices, [Customs Information Papers](#) (CIPs) and BIS documents were issued by HM Revenue & Customs and the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills (BIS):

Date	Ref. No. and Subject
08-06-15	CIP 23 (2015): change of address for the submission of Article 239 and 220 (2) (b) claims
09-06-15	CIP 24 (2015): new email address for Community System Provider and Import Control System policy queries
10-06-15	CIP 25 (2015): new Economic Operator Registration and Identification (EORI) email address for policy queries
16-06-15	CIP 26 (2015): import and export requirements for certain Combined Nomenclature codes

ECO Notices to Exporters

The following [Notices to Exporters](#) were issued by the Export Control Organisation (ECO):

Date	Notice No. and Subject
26-06-15	Notice to Exporters 2015/18: dual use export control policy review – online questionnaire

Other EU-EFTA Notices

Import-export related measures

The following import, export or antibribery measures were published in the on-line editions of the official gazettes of the countries shown during the period covered by this Update. [This is a partial listing, unofficial translations.] *The date shown may be the signature date, release date or publication date, depending on local practice.

Date*	Measure
France	
11-06-15	Agriculture, Food & Industry: Decree of 2 June 2015 amending the Decree of 18 May 2009 establishing the list of border veterinary and phytosanitary control Economy: Decree of 1 June 2015 amending the Order of 19 October 2006 on

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	the use of processing aids in the manufacture of certain foodstuffs
17-06-15	Finance & Public Accounts: Decree of 8 June 2015 adopted under Article 265 septies of the Customs Code
	Finance & public Accounts: Decree of 8 June 2015 adopted under Article 265 octies of the Customs Code
19-06-15	Social Affairs, health and Women's Rights : Decision of 4 May 2015 extending the decision of 31 October 2014 laying down special conditions of manufacture, placing on the market, export, distribution and use of medical devices HBS and GRAFTYS GRAFTYS QUICKSET set the market by the company GRAFTYS
21-06-15	Decree No 2015-696 of 19 June 2015 concerning the publication of the Political Dialogue and Cooperation Agreement between the European Community and its Member States on the one hand, and the Republics of Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua and Panama, on the other (together an annex), signed in Rome on 15 December 2003
27-06-15	Law 2015-735 of June 25, 2015 authorizing the ratification of a Partnership and Cooperation Agreement establishing a partnership between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and Turkmenistan, of the other part
Iceland	
01-06-15	№ 490/2015 Regulation on the allocation of open tariff quotas on frjóeggjum and egg yolks.
08-06-15	Law № 27/2015 Law on Amendments to the Foreign Exchange Act, no. 87/1992, as amended (the rules on capital controls, elimination of exemptions, etc.).
09-06-15	№ 509/2015 Regulation amending Regulation no. 822/2004 on the creation and equipment of vehicles
10-06-15	№ 512/2015 Regulation on dropout Regulation no. 283/2011 on the entry into force of Commission Regulation (EC) no. 1151/2009 imposing special conditions on the import of sunflower oil originating in or consigned from Ukraine, due to risk of contamination with mineral oil and repealing Decision 2008/433 / EC.
22-06-15	№ 543/2015 respecting the protection of cultural objects.
	№ 544/2015 Regulation on plant protection products.
30-06-15	Law № 33/2015 Amendments to the Income Tax Act, the Act on Withholding Tax, the Act on Withholding Tax on Capital Gains, laws on financial administration tax, the Customs Act, the excise tax on vehicles, fuel, etc., the Act on the agricultural, legislation on VAT and the law on social security , as amended (harmonization and simplification).
	№ 569/2015 No. 569/2015 Regulation on (2) amending Regulation. 907/2014 on the entry into force of Commission Regulation (EU) No. 206/2010 on the list of third countries, territories or parts thereof, from which allowed the introduction of certain animals and fresh meat to the European Union, and requirements for health certificates for animals and animal products.
	№ 577/2015 Regulation on (2) amending Regulation. 1139/2014 on the allocation of tariff quotas for imports of agricultural products according to Annexes IVA and IVB to Customs. 30/06/2015
Ireland (Eire)	
29-05-15	S.I. No. 208/2015 - European Union (Control of Major Accident Hazards Involving Dangerous Substances) (Revocation) Regulations 2015.
	S.I. No. 209/2015 - Chemicals Act (Control of Major Accident Hazards Involving Dangerous Substances) Regulations 2015..
05-06-15	S.I. No. 228/2015 - European Communities (Pesticide Residues) (Amendment) (No.2) Regulations 2015.
	S.I. No. 230/2015 - European Union (Identification of Equidae) (Amendment) Regulations 2015
09-06-15	S.I. No. 233/2015 - European Union (Properties of Waste which Render it Hazardous) Regulations 2015.
19-06-15	S.I. No. 250/2015 - European Union (Special Conditions Governing the Import of Certain Food from Certain Third Countries Due to Contamination Risk by Aflatoxins) Regulations 2015.
	S.I. No. 251/2015 - European Union (FLEGT Licensing Scheme for Imports of

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	Timber) Regulations 2015.
23-06-15	S.I. No. 261/2015 - European Communities (Marketing of Honey) (Amendment) Regulations 2015.
Luxembourg	
04-06-15	Mem. A № 97 Agreement on Stabilization and Association Agreement between the European Communities and their Member States, on the one hand, and Bosnia and Herzegovina of the other part, signed in Luxembourg on 16 June 2008 - Entry into Force; List of States Parties.
16-06-15	Mem. A № 109 Grand-Ducal Decree of 27 April 2015 publishing the Regulations concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods (RID), Appendix C to the Convention concerning International Carriage by Rail (COTIF), signed in Vilnius on 3 June 1999 and approved by the law of 15 June 2006, including amendments in force at 1 January 2015
	Mem. A № 110 Applies the new European standards to Luxembourg: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • non-electric • electric • telecommunications
18-06-15	Mem. A № 114 Grand Ducal Regulation of 14 June 2015 amending the Grand-Ducal Regulation of 9 September 2002 on the transportation of alcohol as well as trade and storage of excisable products.
	Mem. A № 114 Convention establishing a Customs Cooperation Council and Annex, done at Brussels on 15 December 1950 - Communication of Israel on the Palestinian membership application.
26-06-15	Mem. A № 115 Law of 19 June 2015 approving the Comprehensive Framework Agreement on Partnership and Cooperation between the European Union and its Member States, on the one hand, and the Republic of the Philippines, on the other hand, signed in Phnom Penh (Cambodia) July 11, 2012
	Mem. A № 116 Law of 19 June 2015 approving the Comprehensive Framework Agreement on Partnership and Cooperation between the European Union and its Member States, on the one hand, and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam, on the other hand, signed in Brussels June 27, 2012
29-06-15	Mem. A № 117 Law of 19 June 2015 approving the Comprehensive Framework Agreement on Partnership and Cooperation between the European Union and its Member States, on the one hand, and Mongolia, on the other hand, signed in Ulan Bator (Mongolia) April 30, 2013
	Mem. A № 118 Law of 19 June 2015 approving the Partnership and Cooperation Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, on the one hand, and the Republic of Iraq, on the other hand, signed in Brussels on 11 May 2012
30-06-15	Mem. A № 122 Grand Ducal Regulation of 25 June 2015 amending the Grand Ducal Regulation of 17 December 2014 subjecting to license the export and transit of, technical assistance and brokering related to certain goods to Russia.
Malta	
05-06-15	№ 176 of 2015 - Low-Powered Vehicles and Pedal Cycles (Amendment) Regulations, 2015 - Government Gazette of Malta No. 19,436 – 05.06.2015
	№ 178 of 2015 - Registration and Licensing of Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Regulations, 2015 - Government Gazette of Malta No. 19,436 – 05.06.2015
	№ 182 of 2015 - Exemption of Duty in terms of article 23 (Amendment No. 2) Order, 2015 - Government Gazette of Malta No. 19,425 – 05.06.2015
12-06-15	№ 190 of 2015 - Making Available on the Market of Pyrotechnic Articles Regulations, 2015 Government Gazette of Malta No. 19,440 – 12.06.2015
	№ 191 of 2015 - Safety of Toys (Amendment) Regulations, 2015 Government Gazette of Malta No. 19,440 – 12.06.2015
	№ 192 of 2015 - Animal Health Requirements governing Trade in and Imports into the Community of Animals, Semen, Ova and Embryos not subject to Animal Health Requirements laid down in Specific Community Acts Rules, 2015 Government Gazette of Malta No. 19,440 – 12.06.2015
19-06-15	№ 204 of 2015 - Value Added Tax (Refund to Non-residents) (Amendment) Regulations, 2015 Government Gazette of Malta No. 19,443 – 19.06.2015

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Norway	
01-06-15	FOR-2015-05-29-553 Ministry of Justice Commencement of Act 29 May 2015 no. 36 on changes to Fire and Explosion Act, the Customs Act and the Penal Code of 2005 (precursors for explosives, etc.)
02-06-15	FOR-2015-05-29-560 Ministry Regulation amending the Regulation on technical requirements and approval of vehicles, parts and equipment (Vehicle Regulations)
05-06-15	FOR-2015-06-01-579 Industry and Fisheries Ministry Regulation amending the Regulation on the control of exports of fish and fish products and regulations on coordinated collection of tax on fish exports
	FOR-2015-06-05-582 Ministry of Justice Regulations on the treatment of criminal cases when Norwegian vessels participating in a Frontex-operation
09-06-15	FOR-2015-06-01-587 Ministry of Health Regulation amending the Regulation on maximum levels for drug residues in foodstuffs of animal origin
	FOR-2015-06-02-588 Ministry of Justice Regulations relating to handling of precursors for explosives
	FOR-2015-06-04-590 Ministry of Justice Regulation amending the Regulation on pyrotechnic articles
12-06-15	FOR-2015-06-03-607 Agriculture and Food Regulations on the quality of milk and milk products
	FOR-2015-06-04-610 Climate and Environment Ministry Regulation amending the Regulation on the restriction of use of hazardous chemicals and other products (Product Regulations)
	FOR-2015-06-12-622 Industry and Fisheries Ministry Regulation amending the Regulation on 7 April 2006 no. 402 on public procurement and regulation of 7 April 2006 no. 403 on the procurement procedures in the utility sectors (water, energy, transport and postal services)
16-06-15	FOR-2015-06-12-630 Labour and Social Affairs, Ministry of Justice, Climate and Environment Ministry Regulation amending the Regulation on the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH)
	FOR-2015-06-12-631 Labour and Social Affairs, Ministry of Justice, Agriculture and Food, Climate and Environment Ministry Regulation amending the Regulation on classification, labeling and packaging of substances and mixtures (CLP)
18-06-15	FOR-2015-06-12-645 Labour and Social Affairs, Climate and Environment Ministry Regulation amending the Regulation on biocides (Biocide)
	FOR-2015-06-15-651 Ministry of Transport Regulation amending the Regulation on approval of car and trailer for car
19-06-15	LOV-2015-06-19-46 Finance Law on amendments to Law 19 May 1933 No. 11 on Excise Duties
	LOV-2015-06-19-47 Finance Law on amendments to the Law of 19 June 1959 No. 2 on tax relating to motor vehicles and boats
	LOV-2015-06-19-54 Finance Law on amendments to the Act 17 June 2005 no. 67 on the payment and collection of taxes and duties (Tax Payment Act)
	LOV-2015-06-19-55 Finance Law on amendments to Law 21 December 2007 no. 119 on customs and movement of goods (Customs Act)
	FOR-2015-06-12-654 Ministry of Transport Regulation amending the Regulation on approval of car and trailer for car
	FOR-2015-06-12-655 Ministry of Health Regulation amending the Regulation on nutrition and health claims made on foods
	FOR-2015-06-15-656 Ministry of Transport Regulation amending the Regulation on approval of car and trailer for car
22-06-15	FOR-2015-06-17-672 Agriculture and Food Regulation amending the Regulation on the import and transit of poultry and certain poultry products from third countries and regulations on imports of cooked meat, meat products, treated stomachs, bladders and intestines from third countries
23-06-15	FOR-2015-06-12-682 Ministry of Health Regulation amending the Regulation on food supplements
	FOR-2015-06-12-683 Ministry of Health Regulation amending the Regulation on the addition of vitamins, minerals and certain other substances to foods
	FOR-2015-06-17-689 Agriculture and Food Regulation amending the Regulation

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	on imports from third countries of certain live animals, bees, bumblebees and fresh meat of certain animals
	FOR-2015-06-18-690 Agriculture and Food Regulations on the extension of the validity of authorization certificates for pesticides
24-06-15	FOR-2015-06-15-706 Ministry of Health Regulation amending the Regulation on feed additives
	FOR-2015-06-19-714 Ministry of Health Regulations prohibiting the import of dried beans from Nigeria
	FOR-2015-06-19-716 Climate and Environment Ministry Regulations on alien species
25-06-15	FOR-2015-06-22-728 Climate and Environment Ministry Regulations amending the REACH Regulation (approval for use of diarsen trioxide)
26-06-15	FOR-2015-06-18-745 Agriculture and Food Regulation amending the Regulation on betting in price compensation for milk and tariffs for manufacturing cream and production value of butter
	FOR-2015-06-22-749 MPE Regulation amending the Regulation on ecodesign of energy related products (økodesignforskriften)
	FOR-2015-06-22-753 Agriculture and Food Regulations on the transitional rules for the movement of dogs, cats and ferrets between Norway and the EU
30-06-15	FOR-2015-06-18-762 Finance Regulation amending the Customs Regulations
	FOR-2015-06-22-763 Agriculture and Food, Ministry of Health Regulations amending the TSE Regulation and the Regulation on animal health conditions for imports and exports of semen, ova and embryos of certain animal species
	FOR-2015-06-25-767 Ministry of Health Regulation amending the Regulation on the manufacture and import of medicines
	FOR-2015-06-26-774 Ministry of Justice Regulation amending the Regulation on handling of hazardous substances
Poland	
01-06-15	№ 751 Regulation of the Minister of Finance dated 19 May 2015. Amending the regulation on periodic evaluations and reviews business customs officers
02-06-15	№ 754 Regulation of the Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development of 6 May 2015. On the control of African swine fever
	№ 758 Announcement of the President of the Council of Ministers of 8 May 2015. On the uniform text of the Council of Ministers on the Pomeranian Special Economic Zone
05-06-15	№ 760 Announcement of the President of the Council of Ministers of 8 May 2015. On the uniform text of the Council of Ministers on the Krakow Special Economic Zone
09-06-15	№ 768 Regulation of the Minister of Finance dated 13 May 2015. On the model form cash payment and transfer orders on account of the customs authority
	№ 792 Regulation of the Minister of Finance dated 22 May 2015. On the revision of a free zone in Szczecin
12-06-15	№ 798 Regulation of the Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development dated 29 May 2015. Amending Regulation on detailed requirements for the commercial quality of juices and nectars
15-06-15	№ 806 Proclamation of the Marshal of the Polish Sejm of 15 May 2015. On the publication of the consolidated text of the Law on microorganisms and genetically modified organisms
16-06-15	№ 829 Regulation of the Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development dated 19 May 2015. Amending the Regulation on technical efficiency requirements for equipment intended for use in plant protection products
18-06-15	№ 844 Statement of the Minister of Finance dated 28 May 2015. On the publication of the consolidated text of the Regulation of the Minister of Finance on the jurisdiction of the customs authorities
22-06-15	№ 854 Statement of the Minister of Economy of 26 May 2015. On the publication of the consolidated text of the Regulation of the Minister of Economy on detailed requirements for aerosol products
	№ 856 Statement of the Minister of Finance dated 15 May 2015. On the publication of the consolidated text of the Regulation of the Minister of Finance on the specimen forms used in customs matters

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	№ 858 Proclamation of the Marshal of the Polish Sejm of 27 May 2015. On the announcement of the uniform text of the Act - the Customs Law
24-06-15	№ 869 Regulation of the Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development dated 2 June 2015. Amending Regulation on detailed veterinary requirements applicable to semen sheep, goats and equine species, ova and embryos of the ovine, caprine, equine and porcine
25-06-15	№ 882 Government announcement on 26 March 2015. On the entry into force of amendments to Annexes A and B to the European Agreement concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road (ADR), done at Geneva on 30 September 1957.
26-06-15	№ 889 Regulation of the Minister of Finance dated 22 June 2015. Amending Regulation amending the Regulation on jurisdiction of customs offices and customs chambers in the field of excise duties
30-06-15	№ 916 Ordinance of the Minister of Finance dated 25 June 2015. Amending Regulation on customs offices in which operations are carried out under customs legislation, depending on the type of goods or customs procedures
Spain	
01-06-15	Foreign Affairs: Agreement for the mutual recognition of test punches portable firearms and Regulation Annexes I and II, made in Brussels on 1 July 1969, Decisions adopted by the Permanent International Commission for the testing of portable firearms in their XXXII Plenary Session of May 20, 2014 (XXXII- Decisions 27-28 and XXXII-30-43) (BOE-A-2015-6012)
12-06-15	Health: Order SSI / 1091/2015, of June 2, amending certain substances included in Annex I of Royal Decree 2829/1977, of 6 October, by which regulates substances and preparations psychotropic medicines as well as control and inspection of its manufacturing, distribution, prescribing and dispensing. (BOE-A-2015-6496)
22-06-15	Foreign Affairs: Agreement on joint procurement of medical countermeasures, done at Luxembourg on June 20, 2014 (BOE-A-2015-6873)
26-06-15	Foreign Affairs: Provisional application of the Protocol amending the Euro-Mediterranean Aviation Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, on the one hand, and the Government of the State of Israel, on the other, to take account of the accession to the European Union of the Republic of Croatia, done at Brussels on February 19, 2015. (BOE-A-2015-7089)
27-06-15	Foreign Affairs: Provisional application of the Protocol to the Agreement on Cooperation and Customs Union between the European Community and its Member States on the one part, and the Republic of San Marino, on the other, concerning the participation of the Republic of Croatia as a result of contracting party accession to the European Union, signed in Brussels on October 29, 2013. (BOE-A-2015-7121)
29-06-15	Foreign Affairs: Provisional application of the Protocol to the Euro-Mediterranean Association Agreement between the European Community and its Member States, on the one hand and the Lebanese Republic on the other, to take account of the accession to the European Union of the Czech Republic, the Republic of Estonia, the Republic of Cyprus, the Republic of Latvia, the Republic of Lithuania, the Republic of Hungary, Malta, the Republic of Poland, the Republic of Slovenia and the Slovak Republic, signed in Brussels on April 1, 2015. (BOE-A-2015-7184)
Switzerland	
	Ordinance of the Swiss Agency for Therapeutic Products concerning the prescription of the Pharmacopoeia and the recognition of other pharmacopoeias (RS 812.214.11)
02-06-15	Agreement of 15 April 1994 establishing the World Trade Organization. Ministerial Decision: Memorandum of Understanding on the provisions relating to the administration of tariff quotas for agricultural products, as defined in s. 2 of the Agreement on Agriculture (RS 0.632.20)
	Agreement of 15 April 1994 establishing the World Trade Organization. Ministerial Decision: Public stockholding for food security purposes (RS 0.632.20)
09-06-15	Ordinance of the FDF on goods benefiting from customs relief according to their use (Ordinance on customs relief, OADou) (RS 631.012)

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	DFI Ordinance on controlling the import and transit of animals and animal products (Ordinance on controls, OITE) (RS 916.443.106)
	Ordinance of the OSAv establishing measures to prevent the introduction of African swine fever present in certain Member States of the European Union (RS 916.443.107)
16-06-15	Ordinance on the import of agricultural products (Ordinance on agricultural imports, OIAgr) (RS 916.01)
	Ordinance on the import of agricultural products (Ordinance on agricultural imports, OIAgr) (RS 916.01)
	Ordinance of the FOAG on fixing periods and deadlines as well as permission to parts of the tariff quota of fresh vegetables, fresh fruit and fresh cut flowers (Ordinance authorizing imports on the OIELFP) (RS 916.121.100)
	Ordinance on the circulation of phytosanitary products (Ordinance on Plant Protection Products, OPPh) (RS 916.161)
	Order on reporting agricultural products of production methods banned in Switzerland (Agricultural Ordinance statement OAgrD) (RS 916.51)
23-06-15	DFI Ordinance on controlling the flow of protected fauna and flora species (CITES controls Ordinance) (RS 453.1)
	DFI Ordinance on the repeal and amendment of orders in relation to the entry into force of the Ordinance on chemicals of June 5, 2015 (RS 813.112.12)
	Ordinance on the placing on the market and use of biocidal products (Ordinance on Biocidal Products, OBP) (RS 813.12)
	Ordinance of the FOAG on phytosanitary temporary measures (OMPT) (RS 916.202.1)
30-06-15	Ordinance of the FDF on contributions rates to the export of agricultural commodities (RS 632.111.723.1)
	DFI Ordinance on controlling the import and transit of animals and animal products (Ordinance on controls, OITE) (RS 916.443.106)
	Ordinance of the Federal Supervisory Authority for Financial Markets on the fight against money laundering and terrorist financing in the financial sector (FINMA Ordinance on money laundering, MLO-FINMA) (RS 955.033.0)
	Agreement of 17 November 2010 between the Swiss Confederation and New Zealand on sanitary measures applicable to trade in live animals and animal products. Decision o 1/2015 of 26 May 2015 the Joint Administrative Committee for amendment of Appendices I, II, III, IV, V and VII (RS 0.916.443.961.41)
United Kingdom	
01-06-15	SR 2015/259 - The Human Medicines (Amendment) (No. 2) Regulations 2015
03-06-15	SI 2015/1348 - The Honey (England) Regulations 2015
	SR 2015/261 - The Honey Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015
08-06-15	SI 2015/1350 - The Agricultural or Forestry Tractors (Emission of Gaseous and Particulate Pollutants) and Tractor etc (EC Type-Approval) (Amendment) Regulations 2015
09-06-15	SR 2015/265 - The Classification, Labelling and Packaging of Chemicals (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015
10-06-15	SI 2015/1360 - The Hazardous Waste (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2015
	SI 2015/1359 - The Planning (Hazardous Substances) (Amendment) Regulations 2015
30-06-15	SR 2015/282 - The Non-Commercial Movement of Pet Animals (Amendment) Order (Northern Ireland) 2015

Restrictive measures established, amended, corrected

The following restrictive measures (grouped by country) were established, amended or corrected and published in the national official journals or agency websites during the period covered by this Update. [This is a partial listing, unofficial translations.] *The date shown may be the signature date, release date or publication date, depending on local practice.

Date*	Restrictive Measure
Liechtenstein	
05-06-15	№ 151 Decree of 2 June 2015 concerning the amendment of the Regulation on measures against individuals and entities with links to the grouping "Al Qaeda"
	№ 152 Decree of 2 June 2015 concerning the amendment of the Regulation on measures against Syria
11-06-15	№ 153 Ordinance of 9 June 2015 concerning amendment of the ordinance on measures against certain individuals from the Ukraine
19-06-15	№ 159 Ordinance of 16 June 2015 concerning the amendment of the Regulation on measures against Yemen
25-06-15	№ 168 Ordinance of 23 June 2015 concerning the amendment of the ordinance on measures against persons and organizations with ties to the grouping "Al Qaeda"
Luxembourg	
04-06-15	<p>Mem. A № 96:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grand Ducal regulation of 31 May 2015 subjecting to license the export and transit of certain goods and the provision of technical assistance and brokering services to Belarus. • Grand Ducal regulation of 31 May 2015 subjecting to license the export and transit of certain goods and the provision of technical assistance and brokering services to the Central African Republic. • Grand Ducal regulation of 31 May 2015 subjecting to license the export and transit of certain goods and the provision of technical assistance and brokering services to the Democratic Republic of Congo • Grand Ducal regulation of 31 May 2015 subjecting to license the export and transit of certain goods to Côte d'Ivoire. • Grand Ducal regulation of 31 May 2015 subjecting to license the export and transit of certain goods and the provision of technical assistance to Eritrea. • Grand Ducal regulation of 31 May 2015 subjecting to license the export and transit of certain goods and the provision of support services to Liberia. • Grand Ducal regulation of 31 May 2015 subjecting to license the export and transit of certain goods and the provision of technical assistance and brokering services to South Sudan. • Grand Ducal regulation of 31 May 2015 subjecting to license the export and transit of certain goods and the provision of technical assistance and brokering services to Sudan. • Grand Ducal regulation of 31 May 2015 amending the Grand Ducal Regulation of 17 December 2014 subjecting to license the import, export and transit of certain goods to Syria. • Grand Ducal regulation of 31 May 2015 subjecting to license the export and transit of certain goods and the provision of technical assistance and brokering services to Zimbabwe.
Norway	
19-06-15	FOR-2015-06-19-663 Foreign Affairs Regulations on sanctions against certain persons and actors in Yemen
Switzerland	
09-06-15	Ordinance on Measures against persons and entities associated with Usama bin Laden, the group "Al Qaeda" and the Taliban (RS.946.203)
23-06-15	Ordinance instituting measures against certain individuals from Ukraine (RS 946.231.176.7)
	Ordinance on Measures against Yemen (RS 946.231.179.8)
30-06-15	Ordinance on measures against Syria (946.231.172.7)
United Kingdom	
09-06-15	SI 2015/1361 - The South Sudan (European Union Financial Sanctions) (No. 2) Regulations 2015
17-06-15	SI 2015/1383 - The Iraq (Sanctions) (Overseas Territories) Order 2015
	SI 2015/1382 - The Democratic Republic of the Congo (Sanctions) (Overseas Territories) Order 2015
	SI 2015/1381 - The Yemen (Sanctions) (Overseas Territories) (No.2) Order 2015
	SI 2015/1380 - The Central African Republic (Sanctions) (Overseas Territories)

Date*	Restrictive Measure
	(Amendment) Order 2015

Non EU-EFTA European Countries

Ukraine

Legislation (laws, resolutions, orders, etc.)

The following Ukrainian Laws (*Закон України*), Resolutions (*Постанова*), Presidential Decrees (*Указ Президента*), Decrees of the Cabinet of Ministers (*Розпорядження Кабінету Міністрів України*), Regulations (*Положення*), Agency Orders (*Наказ*) and other pieces of legislation were posted on the Parliamentary (*Верховної Ради*) website during the period of coverage of this Update:

Date	Subject
28-05-15	Issues Interdepartmental Commission on Military-Technical Cooperation and Export Control - Decree of the President of Ukraine of 28.05.2015 № 297/2015
03-06-15	On adopting a draft Law of Ukraine on amendments to some legislative acts of Ukraine in connection with the adoption of the Law of Ukraine "On the National Anti-Corruption Bureau of Ukraine" - Resolution of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine from 03.06.2015 № 506-VIII
04-06-15	On approval of calculating price range (profitability) and the median of the range for the purposes of transfer pricing - Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine; Resolution, Procedure from 04.06.2015 № 381
	On approval of the Second Protocol between the Government of Ukraine and the Government of the Republic of Poland amending the Agreement between the Government of Ukraine and the Government of the Republic of Poland on local border traffic, signed March 28, 2008 in. Kiev - Resolution of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine from 04.06.2015 № 365

CEFTA

The [CEFTA Trade Portal](#) was created by the CEFTA 2006 signatories with the support of Germany and Albania. It provides general information for each member country (Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Macedonia, Moldova, Montenegro, Serbia and Kosovo), links to government websites and detailed information for each country in each of the following areas:

- Customs
- Licensing
- Sanitary, Phytosanitary & Veterinary Regulation
- Technical Requirements
- Border Police Control
- Trade Regime
- Public Procurement

Eurasian Economic Union (EAEU or EEU)

Decisions and recommendations of the Eurasian Economic Commission

The following Eurasian Economic Commission (EEC) decisions and recommendations have been posted in the documents section of the [new Eurasian Economic Commission documentation page](#).

Publication Date	Title
Council (Совет) of the Eurasian Economic Commission	
02-06-15	Decision No 23 (28-05-15)
	Decision No 24 (28-05-15)
	Disposition No 25 (28-05-15)
	Decision No 26 (28-05-15)
	Decision No 27 (28-05-15)
	Decision No 28 (23-04-15)
	Decision No 29 (23-04-15)
	Decision No 30 (23-04-15)
	Decision No 31 (23-04-15)
Decision No 32 (28-05-15)	
03-06-15	Decision No 21 (23-04-15)
04-06-15	Decision No 33
	Decision No 34 (28-05-15)
16-06-15	Decision No 35 (23-04-15) On amending Resolution of the Commission of the Customs Union No. 130 dated November 27, 2009
25-06-15	Decision No 36 (28-04-15)
	Decision No 37 (28-05-15)
Council Regulations/Orders	
02-06-15	Disposition No 9 (28-05-15)
	Disposition No 10 (28-04-15)
	Disposition No 11 (28-05-15)
16-06-15	Disposition No 12 (23-04-15)
Board (Коллегии) of the Eurasian Economic Commission	
02-06-15	Decision № 60 (02-06-15) On amendments to some decisions of the Board of Eurasian Economic Commission in relation to the structure and format of electronic copies of customs documents
03-06-15	Decision № 61 (05-05-15) On Amendments to the list of categories of goods in respect of which are set longer than the Customs Code of the Customs Union, the deadline for temporary import
	Decision № 62 (05-05-15) On Amendments to the Regulations on the procedure of filling in the declaration of goods
10-06-15	Decision № 63 (09-06-15) On the method of analysis, optimization, harmonization and descriptions of general processes in the framework of the Eurasian Economic Union
	Decision № 64 (09-06-15) On Amendments to the single commodity nomenclature of foreign economic activity of the Eurasian Economic Union and the Common Customs Tariff of the Eurasian Economic Union in respect of certain goods intended for unmanned aerial vehicles
	Decision № 65 (09-06-15) On Amendments to the list of sensitive products for which the decision to change the import duty is taken by the Council of the Eurasian Economic Commission
16-06-15	Decision No 66 (16-06-15)
17-06-15	Decision No 67 (16-06-15)
Board Распоряжение	
08-06-15	№ 50 (02-06-15) On the projects of acts of the Council of the Eurasian Economic Commission to amend the single commodity nomenclature of foreign economic activity of the Eurasian Economic Union and the Common Customs Tariff of the Eurasian Economic Union in respect of certain goods, in accordance with Russia's obligations under the WTO and on the enforcement of the relevant acts of the Eurasian Economic Commission
15-06-15	Disposition No. 51 (09-06-15)
	Disposition No. 52 (09-06-15)
16-06-15	Disposition No 53 (16-06-15)

Publication Date	Title
	Disposition No 54 (16-06-15)
	Disposition No 55 (16-06-15)
	Disposition No 56 (16-06-15)
	Disposition No 57 (16-06-15)
Council and Board Recommendations	
25-06-15	Council Recommendation No 2 (28-05-15)
03-06-15	Board Recommendation № 12 (25 May 2015) On the participation of representatives of the Eurasian Economic Commission in international events (consultations) on matters governed by international treaties, the right-hand of the Eurasian Economic Union

Preliminary classification decisions issued by the Customs Authorities of the States

The Commission of the Customs Union has posted a table which provides a collection of [preliminary decisions of the Customs authorities](#) of Russia, Belarus and Kazakhstan which involve the tariff classification of goods as of 19 June 2015. The tables list the tariff codes, a description, rationale (GRIs) for the decision and country that issued the decision.

Belarus

Preliminary decisions on tariff classification

The State Customs Committee maintains a [searchable database of preliminary decisions on the tariff classification of goods](#) (*База данных товаров, в отношении которых принято предварительное решение о классификации*). The database has been updated through May 2015. It may be searched by tariff code or description (in Russian).

Russian Federation

Legislation (acts, resolutions, orders, etc.)

The following Russian Federation (RF) Acts, Government Resolutions/Decrees (Постановление Правительства) (GR), Federal Customs Service (FCS) Orders and other pieces of legislation were published in the [Rossiyskaya Gazeta](#) or the Official Portal for Legal Information ([Официальный интернет-портал правовой информации](#)) during the period of coverage of this *Update*:

R.G. Date of Publication	Subject
04-06-15	Order of the Government of the Russian Federation №1020-r dated June 4, 2015 Regarding the closure of sea cargo and passenger permanent multilateral border crossing point across the state border of the Russian Federation in the Bay of Slavyanka (Primorye)

Preliminary decisions on tariff classification

The Federal Customs Service (FCS) has a [searchable on-line database of preliminary decisions on tariff classification](#). The database has been updated through 13 May 2015. It may be searched by tariff code, description (in Russian) or note number.

Africa

South Africa

South African Customs and Excise Act Amendments of Rules and Tariff Schedules

Publication Date	Publication Details	Subject	Implementation Date
19-06-15	GG 38878 R.512	Amendment of rules under section 19A - Substitution of DA260 Accounts for Other Fermented Beverages <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Notice R.512 • DA260 Excise Account for Other Fermented Beverages (SOS) • DA260 Excise Account for Other Fermented Beverages (OS) • DA260 Excise Account for Other Fermented Beverages (SVM) 	With effect from 14:59 25-02-15
19-06-15	GG 38891 R.533	Part 1 of Schedule No. 1 - Substitution of tariff subheadings 1001.91 and 1001.00, as well as 1101.00.10 and 1101.00.90, to increase the rate of customs duty on wheat and wheaten flour from 46,1c/kg to 80.01c/kg and from 69,2c/kg to 120,02c/kg respectively, in terms of the existing variable tariff formula - ITAC Minute M02/2015 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Notice R.533 	19-06-15

Morocco

Safeguard investigation on paper roll and paper ream launched

The WTO [announced](#) that on 10 June 2015, Morocco notified the WTO's Committee on Safeguards that it initiated on 10 June 2015 a safeguard investigation on paper roll and paper ream.

In the notification, Morocco indicated as follows (original text in French):

- All interested parties have a period of 30 days from the date of initiation of the investigation to come forward as an interested party to make comments on that investigation, contacting the Ministry by fax or e-mail

The contact point is as follows:

Ministère Délégué auprès du Ministre de l'Industrie, du Commerce, de l'Investissement et de l'Économie Numérique chargé du Commerce Extérieur
Direction de la Politique des Échanges Commerciaux / Division de la Défense Commerciale

Parcelle 14, Business center, aile nord bd Riad, Hay Riad, PB 610, Rabat Chellah, Maroc.

TEL : (212) 537 70.18.46 Fax: (212) 537.72.71.50

E-mail: ddc@mce.gov.ma

Further information is available in [G/SG/N/6/MAR/9](#).

A safeguard investigation seeks to determine whether increased imports of a product are causing, or is threatening to cause, serious injury to a domestic industry. During a safeguard investigation, importers, exporters and other interested parties may present evidence and views and respond to the presentations of other parties. A WTO member may take a safeguard action (i.e. restrict imports of a product temporarily) only if

the increased imports of the product are found to be causing, or threatening to cause, serious injury.

Trade compliance enforcement actions - import, export, IPR, FCPA

The links below will take you to official press releases and summaries of administrative and judicial trade compliance enforcement actions (arrests, indictments, penalties, seizures, convictions, debarments, etc.) involving U.S. and foreign import, export, FCPA/anti-bribery, IPR border enforcement and related matters. Child pornography, controlled substance and currency related seizures and arrests will not be listed, unless connected to trade violations. [Foreign government cases are preceded by the letter (F) in parenthesis].

[Agency abbreviations: US agencies - APHIS= Animal & Plant Health Inspection Service; ATF=Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives; BIS= Bureau of Industry and Security, Office of Export Enforcement (Commerce); CBP=US Customs and Border Protection; CPSC=Consumer Product Safety Commission; DDTC= State Dep't Directorate of Defense Trade Controls; DOJ=Department of Justice, including US Attorneys; DEA=Drug Enforcement Administration; DoD=Dep't of Defense components [NCIS, DCIS, CID, etc.]; FBI=Federal Bureau of Investigation; FDA= US Food and Drug Administration; FRB= Federal Reserve Board; FTC= Federal Trade Commission; FWS= US Fish & Wildlife Service; GSA= General services Administration; HSI=US Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Homeland Security Investigations; NOAA=National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; OFAC=Office of Foreign Assets Control (Treasury); SEC=Securities and Exchange Commission; USCG= US Coast Guard; USPIS=Postal Inspection Service; USDA= US Department of Agriculture; ; DSS= Diplomatic Security Service. Local agencies - PD = Police departments; Non-US agencies - CBSA= Canada Border Services Agency; RCMP= Royal Canadian Mounted Police; SAT=Mexican Customs.]

Date of Release	Subject
06-04-15	Defendants Charged with Conspiracy to Engage in Wire Fraud, Identity Theft, and Misuse of Automated Export System (DOJ, USSS, BIS, Native American, State & Local)
	\$1.3 million in stolen funds returned to Philippines (DOJ, ICE, Philippine officials)
06-05-15	CBP Discovers Invasive Beetles in Chickpea Shipment (CBP, USDA)
06-10-15	In the Matter of: Luis Armando Collins-Avila- Order Denying Export Privileges (BIS)
	Philadelphia CBP Intercepts Two Destructive Insect Species New to the United States (CBP, USDA)
	Bay Area man sentenced to 15 months in counterfeit DVD scheme (ICE, DOJ)
	Chicago-area business owner arrested for selling unlicensed sports merchandise (ICE, Local Sheriff)
06-11-15	New Jersey man admits smuggling \$65 million in sensitive electronics to Russian military, security services (DOJ, ICE, BIS, FBI, local PDs)
06-12-15	Increased Firearm Seizures On New York's Northern Border (CBP)
	CBP Officers at Miami Seaport Seize Counterfeit Watches Worth \$2.7 million (CBP)
06-15-15	Former Chief Executive Officer of Oil Services Company Pleads Guilty to Foreign Bribery Charge (FBI, DOJ, Colombia, Philippines, Panama and UK officials)
06-16-15	Bank Settles Potential Liability for Apparent Violations of the Global Terrorism Sanctions Regulations [\$28,800] (OFAC)
06-17-15	Joint Operation Seizes Critical Counterfeit Beauty Personal Care Products (CBP, French Customs)
06-18-15	ICE repatriates famous artwork stolen from Brazil (DOJ, ICE, State DEp't)
06-19-15	Technologies Corporation Settles Potential Civil Liability for Alleged Violations of Executive Order 13382 and/or the Weapons of Mass Destruction Proliferators Sanctions Regulations [\$391,950] (OFAC)
	Italian police block 410 websites selling high-fashion fakes
	HSI operation nets more than \$180,000 in fake NHL goods during 2015 Stanley

Date of Release	Subject
	Cup Final and Chicago Blackhawks victory celebration (ICE)
06-23-15	In the Matter of: Armin Shir Mohammadi; Order Denying Export Privileges (BIS) US, China unite to fight intellectual property theft (China Customs, National IPR CC)
06-29-15	California man pleads guilty in Houston to trafficking misbranded, counterfeit prescription drugs (DOJ, ICE, FDA)
06-30-15	ICE takes down website selling Chinese counterfeit hair appliances for top dollar (ICE, DOJ, FRB) Operation FLYAWAY cracks down on wildlife trafficking (ICE, CBP, FWS, NOAA, WCO)

Newsletters, Reports, Articles, Etc.

Baker & McKenzie Global VAT/GST Newsletter

Baker & McKenzie's [February 2014 Global VAT/GST](#) Newsletter provides a quick update into important developments in the field of VAT/GST across the globe. In order to maximize the effectiveness of this newsletter to you, most articles are brief and are designed to flag topics that are likely to affect multi-national businesses. Contacts for the Global VAT/GST Group are:

- [Jan Snel \(Steering Committee, Global VAT Group\)](#)
- [Nicole Looks \(Chair, EMEA VAT Group\)](#)
- [Eugene Lim \(Chair, APAC VAT Group\)](#)
- [Jorge Narvaez Hasfura \(Chair, Latin America VAT Group\)](#)
- [Pat Powers \(Chair, North America VAT Group\)](#)
- [Roger van de Berg \(General Editor\)](#)

Publications, Alerts, Newsletters

The following Baker & McKenzie publications, client alerts, legal alerts or newsletters released during the period of coverage of this *Update* may be of interest to you:

Subject
International Trade, Tax and Anti-corruption
Global International Trade Compliance Update Newsletter – June 2015
Thailand Trade & Commerce Client Alert: Thailand imposes tight controls on export of dual-use goods
Kyiv Employment & Migration Client Alert: Law of Ukraine "On Prevention of Corruption" has come into effect (Eng.); Почав діяти Закон України "Про запобігання корупції" (Ukr.); Начал действовать Закон Украины "О предотвращении коррупции" (Russ.)
Other Practices
Buenos Aires Alert: New National Civil and Commercial Code (Eng.); Nuevo Código Civil y Comercial de la Nación (Span.)
Buenos Aires Labor Newsletter May 2015 (Eng.) Boletín Mensual (Span.)
Turkey Intellectual Property: Turkish Constitutional Court continues to cancel provisions of Trademark Decree
Europe Pharmaceuticals & Healthcare Newsletter June 2015
Kyiv Employment & Migration Client Alert: Court practice on dismissal of corporate officers (Eng.); Судова практика щодо звільнення посадових осіб (Ukr.); Судебная практика.

Subject
касающаяся увольнения должностных лиц (Russ.)
Kyiv Real Estate and Construction Client Alert: Exercising Ownership Rights in Multi-Apartment Building has been Improved (Eng.); Удосконалено правове регулювання здійснення права власності у багатоквартирному будинку (Ukr.); Усовершенствовано правовое регулирование осуществления права собственности в многоквартирном доме (Russ.)
Kyiv Employment & Migration Client Alert: Liability of corporate officials for damages caused to the company: important changes in legislation (Eng.); Відповідальність посадових осіб за збитки підприємства: важливі зміни в законодавстві (Ukr.); Ответственность должностных лиц за убытки предприятию: важные изменения в законодательстве (Russ.)

Webinars, Meetings, Seminars, Etc.

2015 International Trade Compliance Webinar Series

If you missed any webinars in our 2015 International Trade Compliance Webinar Series, or would like to see them again, you may view them or download only the Presentation used, by clicking [on this link](#) or on the specific linked title or Presentation below. Our 2015 series was entitled, “*New Developments in Global Trade for 2015.*”

Original Date	Topic
Jan. 27, 2015	US Export Control Reform Speakers: Sylwia Lis (Washington, DC) and Paul Amberg (Chicago)
Feb. 17, 2015	Intercompany Pricing and Customs Valuation (Canada, EU and US) Speakers: Paul Burns (Toronto), William Outman (San Francisco), Holly Files (Washington, DC), and Nicole Looks (Frankfurt)
Mar. 17, 2015	Developments in Importing into EU Speakers: Jenny Revis (London) and Vanessa Dersch (Frankfurt)
Apr. 21, 2015	Developments in Importing into LATAM Speakers: Adriana Ibarra (Mexico City) and Esteban Roppolo (Buenos Aires)
May 19, 2015	FCPA and Antibribery Developments US, Asia and LATAM Speakers: John McKenzie (San Francisco), Mini vandePol (Hong Kong) and Esther Flesch (Sao Paulo)
June 23, 2015	Export Control Developments in Asia Speakers: Eugene Lim (Singapore), Daisuke Tatsuno (Tokyo), Meng Yew (Malaysia), and Anne Petterd (Australia)

2014 International Trade Compliance Webinar Series

Global Trade and the Global Supply Chain: Key Issues for 2014

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- [FCPA Enforcement Trends – US, EU and Asia](#) - [Original broadcast: January 14] Presentation only

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Credits:

Unless otherwise indicated, all information is taken from official international organization or government websites, or their newsletters or press releases.

Source documents may be accessed by clicking on the blue hypertext links.

- [Voluntary Self-Disclosures in Export Compliance Cases in the US, EU and China](#) - [Original broadcast: February 11, 2014] [Presentation only](#)
- [Customs Valuation Issues and Updates – US, Mexico, EU and China](#) - [Original broadcast: March 11, 2014] [Presentation only](#)
- [Country of Origin Rules for Marking and Government Procurement Purposes – US, EU and China](#) - [Original Broadcast: April 15, 2014] [Presentation](#).
- [Product-Related Environmental Restrictions and Compliance - EU, Russia/CIS and China](#) - [Original broadcast: May 20, 2014] [Presentation only](#).
- [The Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement \(CETA\), The Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership \(TTIP\) and The Trans-Pacific Partnership \(TPP\)](#) - [Original broadcast: June 17, 2014] [Presentation only](#).
- [Import and Export of Used and/or Refurbished Goods in Asia](#) - [Original broadcast: July 22, 2014] [Presentation only](#).

2014 EU Anti-Bribery, Trade and Customs Webinar Series

Our EU Compliance, International Trade and Customs Groups brought together their considerable local knowledge and on the ground experience to deliver their third webinar series in 2014. The series covered a range of customs, export control, trade sanctions and anti-bribery and corruption topics.

This series was centred around several key EU Customs topics, which have been identified to help companies review and boost their local compliance procedures. Our panel of speakers provided a practical overview of each of the topics listed below, using both examples of recent cases and case studies. If you missed any webinars in this series, or would like to see them again, you may view them or download only the Presentation used, by clicking [on this link](#) or on the specific linked title or Presentation below:

- [Union Customs Code: What to expect from the draft Implementing Provisions and how to take part in the negotiations](#). Guest speaker: Jim Repper from HM Revenue & Customs [Original date: February 27] [Presentation only](#)
- [Anti-Bribery and Corruption: Insight into SFO/ DOJ and update on the introduction of Deferred Prosecutions Agreements \(DPAs\) in the UK and lessons learnt from DPAs in the US](#) [Original date: March 27:] [Presentation only](#)
- [EU Trade Sanctions Update](#) [Original date: April 10] [Presentation only](#)
- [How to conduct M&A due diligence in the areas of International Trade and Anti-Bribery and Corruption](#) [Original date: May 8] [Presentation only](#)
- [Customs: How to classify and value your products](#) [Original date: June 26] [Presentation only](#)
- [US and EU Russian Sanctions Update](#) [Original date: September 17]
- [Customs: How to determine the origin of your products](#) [Original date: September 25] [Presentation only](#)
- [Fundamentals and Pitfalls of EU Export Controls](#) [Original date: October 23] [Presentation only](#)
- [Investigations and Voluntary Disclosures in International Trade and Anti-Bribery and Corruption](#) [Original date: November 27] [Presentation only](#)
- [Anti-Bribery and Corruption: Key Developments](#) [Original date: December 11] [Presentation only](#)

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Recorded Webinars:

- [Southeast Asia M&A: Seizing Opportunities Today](#)
- [Successfully Implementing a Cross-Border Transaction](#)
- [Brazil M&A: Seizing Opportunities Today](#)
- [China M&A: Seizing Opportunities Today](#)
- [Winning Strategies in Cross-Border Deals: Tips for Success](#)
- [Joint Ventures: Tackling the Unique Challenges in a Cross-Border JV](#)
- [India M&A: Seizing Opportunities Today](#)
- [Compliance: Navigating the Regulatory Minefield in a Cross-Border Transaction](#)
- [Technology & IP: Winning Strategies in Cross-Border Deal Making](#)
- [Planning Ahead for a Successful Post-Acquisition Integration](#)
- [Africa M&A: Seizing Opportunities Today](#)
- [Middle East M&A: Seizing Opportunities Today](#)

For more information, please contact [Kathy Heffley](#) or [Chad Cole](#).

2014 Eye on China Webinar Series

China is the world's second largest economy and one of its fastest growing. Multinational corporations need to be aware of the emerging opportunities and pitfalls created by China's ever-changing laws and regulations. This year, in this series of 60-minute webinars, our award-winning China and North American teams focused on the most significant concerns facing MNCs in China today and provided actionable solutions.

The following 2014 webinars were recorded so that you may play them or download the presentations at your convenience.

- [New Curbs on Hiring Contingent Workers - Presentation](#)
- [Hot Topics in China Disputes - Presentation](#)
- [Protecting Your Inventions and Trade Secrets – Presentation](#)
- [Navigating the Shanghai Pilot Free Trade Zone – Presentation](#)
- China Supply Chain Compliance (Not yet available)
- Increase in China Antitrust Enforcement – Why and How to be Prepared (Not yet available)
- Effective E-Commerce Strategies in China

- [China Wages War on Pollution](#)

For more information, please contact [Michal Cenek](#).

View 2013 International Trade Compliance Webinar Series on-line

Our [2013 International Trade Compliance Webinar Series](#) focused on “*Globalization of the Supply Chain: Trade Regulation and Developments.*” If you missed any webinars in this series, or would like to see them again, you may view them or download only the PowerPoint used, by clicking on the link above or title below:

- [Russia’s Accession to the WTO](#) - [Original broadcast January 15] [PowerPoint only](#)
- [US, EU and Swiss Trade Sanctions Enforcement Cases and Trends](#) - [Original broadcast: February 12, 2013] [PowerPoint only](#)
- [Trans-Pacific Partnership and Other Trade Agreement Developments](#) - [Original broadcast March 12, 2013] [PowerPoint only](#)
- [Increased Customs Scrutiny and Enforcement Activity in Latin America](#) - [Original broadcast April 23, 2013] [PowerPoint only](#)
- [Post-Election US Trade Policy](#) - [Original broadcast June 4, 2013] [PowerPoint only](#)
- [FCPA and Anti-Bribery Cases and Trends in the US, China and Russia](#) - [Original broadcast June 18, 2013] [PowerPoint only](#)
- [Customs Valuation and Transfer Pricing: Developments in the US, Canada, EU and China](#) - [Original broadcast July 23, 2013] [PowerPoint only](#)

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










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All webinars were scheduled to run for 90 minutes. Our panel of speakers provided a practical overview of each of the topics listed below, using both examples of re-cent cases and case studies.






























- [EU Trade Sanctions](#) [Original broadcast: March 21] [PowerPoint only](#)
- [Anti-Bribery and Corruption : M&A Due Diligence](#) [Original broadcast: April 18] [PowerPoint only](#)
- [May 23: Third Party Supply Chain Risks \(Customs, Export Controls and Anti-Bribery\)](#) [Original broadcast: May 23] [PowerPoint only](#)
- [June 20: Customs Valuation: Focus on Intercompany Transactions](#) [Original broadcast: June 20] [PowerPoint only](#)
- [Import and Export Controls for Encryption Items](#) [Original broadcast: September 5] [PowerPoint only](#)
- [Customs Tariff Classification Update](#) [Original broadcast: September 19] [PowerPoint only](#)
- [Fundamentals and Pitfalls in EU Export Controls](#) [Original broadcast: October 24] [PowerPoint only](#)
- [Customs: Free Trade Agreements / Origin](#) [Original broadcast: November 21] [PowerPoint only](#)
- [Anti-Bribery and Corruption: Key Developments](#) [Original broadcast : December 12] [PowerPoint only](#)

WTO TBT Notifications

Member countries of the World Trade Organization (WTO) are required under the *Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade* (TBT Agreement) to report to the WTO all proposed technical regulations that could affect trade with other Member countries. The WTO Secretariat distributes this information in the form of “notifications” to all Member countries. This chart summarizes notifications in English posted by the WTO during the past month. If you are interested in obtaining copies of any of these notifications, please contact stuart.seidel@bakermckenzie.com who will try to obtain the text. Some notifications are only available in the official language of the country publishing the notification. *Note: All dates are given as mm/dd/yyyy; National flags are not scaled for relative comparison.*

Country	Notification	Date Issued	Final Date for Comments	Merchandise Covered
 Brazil	BRA/401/Add.3	6/1/2015	Not given	Wooden baby cribs (HS 9403.50)
 Brazil	BRA/639	6/4/2015	6/29/2015	Prepared or preserved fish (HS 1604)
 Brazil	BRA/396/Add.7	6/9/2015	Not given	Festive or other entertainment articles, including conjuring tricks and novelty jokes (HS 9505)
 Brazil	BRA/640	6/19/2015	8/17/2015	Register of in vitro diagnosis products used on HIV self-testing
 Canada	CAN/448	6/2/2015	6/30/2015	Food intended for human consumption
 Canada	CAN/449	6/11/2015	8/26/2015	Radiocommunications
 Canada	CAN/450	6/11/2015	8/26/2015	Radiocommunications
 Canada	CAN/451	6/19/2015	7/28/2015	All prepackaged products sold in Canada
 Canada	CAN/452	6/24/2015	9/3/2015	Human drugs and biologics
 Canada	CAN/453	6/24/2015	Not given	Motor Vehicles Safety Act
 Canada	CAN/454	6/25/2015	9/4/2015	Water supplied on board conveyances
 Chile	CHL/301	5/29/2015	7/29/2015	Flexible metallic conduits
 Chile	CHL/302	5/29/2015	7/29/2015	Domestic direct gas-fired tumble dryers of types B22D and B23D, of nominal heat input not exceeding 6 kW.
 Chile	CHL/303	5/29/2015	7/29/2015	Domestic direct gas-fired tumble dryers of types B22D and B23D, of nominal heat input not exceeding 6 kW.
 Chile	CHL/304	6/2/2015	8/2/2015	Televisions
 Chile	CHL/305	6/2/2015	8/2/2015	Clothes dryers
 Chile	CHL/306	6/2/2015	8/2/2015	Dishwashers
 Chile	CHL/307	6/23/2015	8/23/2015	Frozen food
 Chile	CHL/308	6/23/2015	8/23/2015	Butter and drinking water
 China	CHN/1078	6/1/2015	8/1/2015	Power take-off of fire fighting vehicles
 China	CHN/1079	6/1/2015	7/30/2015	Rescue fire fighting vehicles
 China	CHN/1080	6/1/2015	8/1/2015	Aerial fire vehicles
 China	CHN/1081	6/1/2015	8/1/2015	Road transport vehicles (HS 87)

Country	Notification	Date Issued	Final Date for Comments	Merchandise Covered
 China	CHN/1082	6/1/2015	8/1/2015	Gelatinous nitroglycerine explosive (HS 3603)
 China	CHN/1083	6/1/2015	8/1/2015	Products covered: (1) Common electric detonator (2) Coal mine permitted electric detonator (3) Seismograph electric blasting cap (HS 36)
 China	CHN/1084	6/2/2015	8/2/2015	Household refrigerators (HS 8415)
 China	CHN/1085	6/2/2015	8/2/2015	Submersible pumps for deep well (HS 8413)
 China	CHN/1086	6/2/2015	8/2/2015	Sanitary wares
 China	CHN/1087	6/2/2015	8/2/2015	Waste submersible motor-pumps (HS 8413)
 China	CHN/1088	6/2/2015	8/2/2015	Small-size submersible motor-pumps (HS 8413)
 China	CHN/783/Add.1	6/2/2015	Not given	Pressure vessels
 China	CHN/1089	6/25/2015	8/25/2015	Projectors (HS 8528)
 China	CHN/1090	6/25/2015	8/25/2015	Computer monitors
 Colombia	COL/151/Add.1	6/1/2015	Not given	Soap and soap containing products (3401, 3402, 3405.40)
 Czech Republic	CZE/184	6/23/2015	8/11/2015	Animal feeding stuffs
 Ecuador	ECU/266/Add.1	5/29/2015	Not given	Asphalt cements (HS 2714.90.00.10, 2714.90.00.20, 2714.90.00.30 and 2714.90.00.90)
 Ecuador	ECU/16/Add.4	6/1/2015	Not given	Fire extinguishers (HS 8424)
 Ecuador	ECU/102/Add.2	6/1/2015	Not given	Protective headgear (HS 6506.10.00, 6506.91.00 and 6506.99.00)
 Ecuador	ECU/120/Add.3	6/1/2015	Not given	Injection-moulding machines (HS 8477.10; 8477.30; 8477.40; 8477.80)
 Ecuador	ECU/135/Add.3	6/2/2015	Not given	Audio-frequency electric amplifiers (HS 8518.40 and 8518.50)
 Ecuador	ECU/140/Add.3	6/1/2015	Not given	Carpets and other textile floor coverings (HS 5701.10.00, 5701.90.00, 5702.10.00, 5702.20.00, 5702.31.00, 5702.32.00, 5702.39.00, 5702.41.00, 5702.42.00, 5702.49.00, 5702.50.00, 5702.91.00, 5702.92.00, 5702.99.00, 5703.10.00, 5703.20.00, 5703.30.00, 5703.90.00, 5704.10.00, and 5704.90.00)
 Ecuador	ECU/182/Add.3	6/23/2015	Not given	Printing ink sets (HS 3215.19.00)
 Egypt	EGY/77/Corr.1	6/1/2015	Not given	Energy efficiency of household electrical appliances
 Egypt	EGY/78/Corr.1	6/1/2015	Not given	Halal products
 Egypt	EGY/83	5/29/2015	7/29/2015	Energy efficiency of household electrical appliances
 Egypt	EGY/70/Corr.1	6/11/2015	Not given	Toys
 European Union	EU/285	6/16/2015	8/16/2015	Cosmetics
 European Union	EU/286	6/16/2015	8/16/2015	Cosmetics
 European Union	EU/287	6/16/2015	8/16/2015	Cosmetics

Country	Notification	Date Issued	Final Date for Comments	Merchandise Covered
 European Union	EU/288	6/16/2015	8/16/2015	Cosmetics
 European Union	EU/289	6/19/2015	8/19/2015	Chemicals
 European Union	EU/290	6/19/2015	8/19/2015	Tobacco products
 European Union	EU/291	6/19/2015	8/19/2015	Food
 European Union	EU/292	6/19/2015	8/19/2015	Food
 European Union	EU/293	6/19/2015	8/19/2015	Food
 European Union	EU/294	6/26/2015	8/26/2015	Paints containing cadmium (HS 3209)
 European Union	EU/295	6/29/2015	8/26/2015	Food
 European Union	EU/296	6/29/2015	8/26/2015	Food
 European Union	EU/297	6/29/2015	8/25/2015	Tobacco Products
 India	IND/48	6/19/2015	8/19/2015	Steel and steel products
 Indonesia	IDN/77/Add.2	6/24/2015	Not given	Palm Oil
 Indonesia	IDN/101	6/24/2015	8/24/2015	Food
 Japan	JPN/489	6/2/2015	8/2/2015	Organic plants
 Kenya	KEN/444	6/10/2015	7/3/2015	Radioactive chemical elements and radioactive isotopes (including the fissile or fertile chemical elements and isotopes) and their compounds; mixtures and residues containing these products. (HS 2844)
 Kenya	KEN/445	6/19/2015	8/16/2015	Prepared binders for foundry moulds or cores; chemical products and preparations of the chemical or allied industries (including those consisting of mixtures of natural products), not elsewhere specified or included (HS 3824)
 Korea, Republic of	KOR/587	6/17/2015	8/17/2015	Pharmaceuticals
 Korea, Republic of	KOR/588	6/17/2015	8/17/2015	Pharmaceuticals
 Korea, Republic of	KOR/589	6/18/2015	8/18/2015	Pharmaceuticals
 Kuwait	KWT/272	6/1/2015	8/1/2015	Road and rail tankers with level gauging - Part 1: Metrological and technical requirements
 Kuwait	KWT/273	6/23/2015	8/24/2015	Meat and meat products
 Kuwait	KWT/274	6/25/2015	8/25/2015	Cosmetics
 Kuwait	KWT/275	6/25/2015	8/25/2015	Biscuits
 Mexico	MEX/271/Add.2	6/2/2015	Not given	Electrical products (ICS 03.120.20 and 29.020)
 Mexico	MEX/117/Add.1	6/17/2015	Not given	Fishing vessels
 Mexico	MEX/198/Add.4	6/17/2015	Not given	Toys and school items
 Mexico	MEX/270/Add.2	6/17/2015	Not given	Petrol-fuelled motor vehicles
 Mexico	MEX/289	6/19/2015	Not given	Life jackets (HS 6307.20.01)
 Oman	OMN/207	6/2/2015	8/2/2015	Lubricating oils for internal combustion engines API classifications

Country	Notification	Date Issued	Final Date for Comments	Merchandise Covered
 Pakistan	PAK/70	6/2/2015	8/2/2015	Mild steel utility oil pressure stove
 Pakistan	PAK/71	6/3/2015	8/3/2015	Non-pressure oil stoves
 Pakistan	PAK/72	6/3/2015	8/3/2015	Oil pressure stoves (brass type)
 Pakistan	PAK/73	6/3/2015	8/3/2015	Building and sanitary pipes in asbestos-cement
 Pakistan	PAK/74	6/3/2015	8/3/2015	Asbestos cement corrugated sheets and fittings for roofing and cladding
 Pakistan	PAK/75	6/3/2015	8/3/2015	Asbestos cement pipe fitting for building and sanitary purpose
 Pakistan	PAK/76	6/4/2015	8/4/2015	Asbestos cement pressure pipe
 Pakistan	PAK/77	6/4/2015	8/4/2015	Product in fibre reinforced cement (asbestos cement flat sheets)
 Pakistan	PAK/78	6/4/2015	8/4/2015	Portland-blast furnace cement (not exceeding 65% blast furnace slag) PS:1631 (UDC 666.943.26:691.542)
 Pakistan	PAK/79	6/4/2015	8/4/2015	Reciprocating internal combustion engine performance
 Pakistan	PAK/80	6/4/2015	8/4/2015	Single and twin blade plastic bounded disposable razors
 Paraguay	PRY/82	6/19/2015	8/19/2015	Melons (Cucumis melo L.)
 Paraguay	PRY/83	6/19/2015	Not given	Strawberries (Fragaria spp.)
 Saudi Arabia	SAU/848	6/2/2015	8/2/2015	Lighting products
 Saudi Arabia	SAU/849	6/9/2015	8/9/2015	Motor vehicles
 Suriname	SUR/1	6/5/2015	Not given	Bread and banquet
 Sweden	SWE/130	6/18/2015	9/19/2015	Vessels, piping and installations
 Taiwan Economy	TPKM/205	6/5/2015	8/5/2015	Suitcases (HS/CCCN 4202.11.00.00.5, 4202.12.00.10.2, 4202.12.00.20.0, 4202.19.00.00.7). The HS/CCCN codes are for reference only and the scope will be the rimmed-frame or fixed-shape suitcases with wheels or dragger.
 Taiwan Economy	TPKM/206	6/19/2015	8/19/2015	Fluorescent, hot cathode (HS 853931)
 Taiwan Economy	TPKM/207	6/19/2015	7/29/2015	Edible oils and fats, meat products, dairy products, seafood products, lunch box, food additives, materials of genetically modified foods, soybeans, wheat, maize (corn), wheat flour, starches, food grade salts, sugars, tea leaves, prepackaged tea drinks or soybean products
 Taiwan Economy	TPKM/168/Rev.1/Add.1	6/29/2015	Not given by country	Prepackaged food, food additives and unpackaged food containing ingredients of genetically modified organisms
 Thailand	THA/435/Add.1	6/23/2015	Not given	Feeding Bottle and Liquid Milk Container for Infants and Young Children
 Turkey	TUR/64	6/19/2015	8/30/2015	Sports foods
 Uganda	UGA/489	6/16/2015	8/16/2015	Products of the chemical industry in general
 Uganda	UGA/490	6/16/2015	8/16/2015	Cosmetics, toiletries

Country	Notification	Date Issued	Final Date for Comments	Merchandise Covered
 Uganda	UGA/491	6/16/2015	8/16/2015	Shampoos (HS 330510)
 Ukraine	UKR/37/Add.1	6/8/2015	Not given	Non-automatic measuring apparatus
 United Arab Emirates	ARE/260	6/18/2015	8/18/2015	Prepared Meat-Poultry Sausage
 United Arab Emirates	ARE/261	6/18/2015	8/18/2015	Biscuits
 United Arab Emirates	ARE/262	6/19/2015	8/19/2015	Caffeinated beverages
 United Kingdom	GBR/25	6/17/2015	Not given	Scotch whisky – 220830; Single malt whisky – 220830 30 00; Blended malt whisky, in containers holding 2 litres or less – 220830 41 00; Blended malt whisky, in containers holding more than 2 litres – 220830 49 00; Single grain whisky and blended grain whisky, in containers holding 2 litres or less – 220830 61 00; Single grain whisky and blended grain whisky and blended grain whisky, in containers holding more than 2 litres – 220830 69 00. Whiskies (HS: 220830)
 United States	USA/996	6/5/2015	8/3/2015	Residential dehumidifiers
 United States	USA/931/Add.1	6/8/2015	Not given	Ceiling fans
 United States	USA/973/Add.1	6/8/2015	Not given	Residential furnaces and boilers (HS 840310, 8416)
 United States	USA/932/Add.3	6/9/2015	Not given	Fluorescent lamp ballasts (HS 853931)
 United States	USA/997	6/9/2015	7/6/2015	Chemical substances
 United States	USA/998	6/16/2015	8/10/2015	Residential conventional ovens (HS 851430)
 United States	USA/999	6/16/2015	7/27/2015	Renewable fuel standards
 United States	USA/1000	6/16/2015	7/10/2015	Chemical substances
 United States	USA/867/Add.1	6/19/2015	Not given	Radiofrequency equipment
 United States	USA/1001	6/24/2015	8/3/2015	Commercial motor vehicles
 United States	USA/1002	6/24/2015	8/17/2015	Transponder equipment
 United States	USA/132/Add.6	6/26/2015	Not given	Anthropomorphic test devices (HS 8703)
 United States	USA/705/Add.2	6/26/2015	Not given	Heavy vehicles
 United States	USA/813/Add.1	6/26/2015	Not given	Infant formula
 United States	USA/1003	6/25/2015	9/8/2015	Prerinse spray valves
 Viet Nam	VNM/63	6/5/2015	8/5/2015	Accreditation
 Viet Nam	VNM/64	6/5/2015	Not given	Construction materials
 Viet Nam	VNM/65	6/18/2015	8/19/2015	Motorcycles and mopeds

CBSA Advance Rulings

The following table lists [advance rulings](#) posted by the Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA). In September of 2014, the CBSA enhanced the Advance Ruling ([Tariff Classification](#) and [Origin](#)) and [National Customs Ruling](#) programs by publishing ruling letters in their entirety, with the applicant's consent, on the CBSA Web site.

It is important to note that rulings are binding only between the CBSA and the applicant. While posted rulings are for reference purposes only, they provide meaningful guidance and help other importers in complying with Canada's trade legislation. Click on the "Merchandise" listing to see full text of the posted ruling.

Date	TRS Number	Merchandise	Tariff Classification and Basis
01-16-15	268755	Martello Armonioso Espresso Capsule	0901.21.00.20 [GIR 1]
	268754	Martello Decaffeinato Espresso Capsule	0901.22.00.00 [GIR 1]
	268655	Butcher's Best Cheddar Smokie	1601.00.90.10 [GIR 1,6; Chap. 16 LN 1]
01-26-15	269073	Swanson Skillet Meals Family Size Chicken Stir Fry	1902.30.50.90 [GIR 3(b)]
02-02-15	269173	Chai Tea Latte K-Cups	2101.20.00.90 [GIR 1,6; EN to GIR 2(b)(X) and 21.01 (4)(b)]
02-16-15	269171	Agrilite Polyurethane boots	6401.10.20.00 [GIR 1]
02-17-15	269100	Dashing Diva Temporary Nail Tattoos	4908.90.00.00 [GIR 1,6; EN 49.08]
	268990	Plush Stuffed Animal Night Light	9503.00.90.51 [GIR 1,6; Chap.95 Legal Note;EN 95.03]
03-02-15	269532	Aquaculture Feed Barge, Steinsvik Seafarm Feeder 300B	8905.90.90.00 [GIR 1; EN 89.05]
03-03-15	269515	Estes-Cox model rocket engines	3601.00.00.00 [GIR 3(a), 6, Canadian Rule 1; EN 36.01]
	269469	Chattermitts	8517.62.00.90 [GIR 3(c)]
	269448	Sunbeam Warm Mist Humidifier	8516.79.90.00 [GIR 1, 6; EN 85.16(E)]
03-31-15	269817	Zega Pro2	8714.10.00.00 [GIR 1, 6; EN 87.14]
04-23-15	269815	Zega Pro Topcase with Rapid Trap	8714.10.00.00 [GIR 1, 6; EN 87.14]




CBP Rulings: Downloads and Searches

Because US Customs and Border Protection issues several thousand rulings a year, it is not practical to list each ruling. However, rulings are made available for downloading in self extracting files approximately every two weeks at: http://www.cbp.gov/xp/cgov/trade/legal/rulings/downloadable_rulings/. In addition, almost all rulings issued by US Customs or US Customs and Border Protection from 1993 to the present and many issued before 1993 are available for search and downloading using the CROSS search engine at <http://rulings.cbp.gov>.

CBP Rulings: Revocations or Modifications

The following table summarizes proposals made or actions taken that were published in the weekly *Customs Bulletin and Decisions* during the past month by US Customs and Border Protection pursuant to 19 U.S.C. §1625(c) to revoke or modify binding rulings or treatment previously accorded to substantially identical merchandise.

Published in CBP Bulletin (P) Proposed (A) Action	Product(s) or Issue(s)	Ruling(s) to be Modified (M) or Revoked (R)	Old Classification or Position	New Ruling	New Classification or Position	Comments Due (C) or Effective Date (E)
(P) 06-10-15	Eligibility of certain automotive parts for a partial duty exemption under subheadings 9802.00.60 and 9802.00.50 of the HTSUS.	NY M87369 (M)	Ineligible for a partial duty exemption under 9802.00.60 but work on metal insert is	HQ H263570	Ineligible for a partial duty exemption under 9802.00.60 and Chinese processing is an "intermediate operation" which makes the products ineligible for	(C) 07-10-15

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			an alteration, so 9802.00.5060 applies		a partial duty exemp- tion under subheading 9802.00.50.	
	Tariff classification of tires for all-terrain vehicles (ATVs)	HQ 966112 (R)	4011.10.10 or 4011.10.50	HQ H220277	4011.69.00 [GRI 1] 	
	Tariff classification of certain footwear	NY N252090 (M)	6402.99.90	HQ H260547	6403.99.90 [GRI 1]	
	Tariff classification of a certain unfinished duvet cover	NY K83054 (R)	6302.32.2060	HQ H181679	6307.90.98 [GRI 1 and Note 7(e) to Sec- tion XI]	
	Tariff classification of a balance ball chair	NY N009306 (R)	9401.80.4045	HQ H193658	9506.91.0030 [GRI 3(a)] 	
	Tariff classification of planters made from coco- nut fibers (coir).	NY N020080 (R) NY N010591 (R)	5305.00.00 1404.90.90	HQ H122355	9602.00.50 [GRI 1]	
	Tariff classification of showerheads.	NY R01416 (R) NY F87785 (R)	7418.20.10	HQ H092556 HQ H092558	7419.99.50 [GRI 1]	
	Tariff classification of a certain grader system	HQ 961522 (R)	8423.20.00	HQ H242605	8423.30.00 [GRI 1 and 6]	
	Tariff classification of cable locks from China	NY N113938 (M) NY N077520 (M)	8301.10.5000 8301.10.4000	HQ H168717	8301.10.20 [GRI 1] 	
(A) 06-10-15	Tariff classification of certain footwear	NY N161242 (R)	6402.99.27	HQ H185722	6402.99.31 [GRI 1]	(E) 08-10-15
	Tariff classification of a rain boot	NY N234957 (R)	6401.92.90	HQ H237685	6405.90.90 [GRI 1, 3(b) and 6]	
(P) 06-24-15	Tariff classification of electronic learning devic- es for children	NY I84192 (R) NY E84480 (R) NY F85877 (R) NY J84806 (R) NY L85697 (R) NY L86633 (R) NY E86264 (M)	9503.90.0080 9503.90.0045 9503.50.0020 9503.90.0045 9503.90.0080 9503.90.0080 9503.90.0080 9503.70.0000	HQ H039058	8543.70.96 [GRI 1]	(C) 07-24-15
	Tariff classification of a laser light ring	NY N008876 (R)	8513.10.2000	HQ H241332	7117.90.60 [GRI 3(a) and GRI 6]	
	Tariff classification of doll pens	NY N134676 (R) NY H81777 (R) NY H82260 (R) NY I87007 (R) NY J81101 (R)	9608.10.0000	HQ H149977	9503.00.00 [GRI 3(b)]	
	Tariff classification of coated fabric	NY N216578 (R)	5903.20.2500	HQ H256889	3921.13.1500 [GRI 1 and GRI 6]	
	Tariff classification of baked crème desserts	NY N015908 (R) NY N015868 (M)	1901.90	HQ H233583	1905.90.90 [GRI 1 and GRI 6]	
(A) 06-24-15	Tariff classification of certain two-piece umbrel- las	NY N242418 (R) NY N242443 (R)	6601.91.00	HQ H248132	6601.10.00 [GRI 1]	(E) 08-24-15

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	Tariff classification of a multi-channel measurement device	NY N184613 (R)	9033.00.00	HQ H244110	9031.80.80 [GRI 1]	

European Classification Regulations

No Classification Regulations were published in the *Official Journal* during the period covered by this *International Trade Compliance Update*.

Amendments to the CN Explanatory Notes

The table below shows amendments to the explanatory notes to the *Combined Nomenclature of the European Union* that were published in the *Official Journal* during the period covered by this *International Trade Compliance Update*.

Official Journal	CN code or page	Description of Articles
30-06-15 2015/C 214/04	Page 53	the following paragraph is inserted after the existing text under 'General': 'Pasteurisation is not admissible in this Chapter, with the exception of: — dried fruits and nuts of this Chapter; — provisionally preserved fruits and nuts of heading 0812; — frozen fruits and nuts of heading 0811. Sterilised fruits and nuts are excluded from this Chapter (heading 2008 in general).'

Section 337 Actions

In the United States, section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930 as amended (19 U.S.C. §1337) provides *in rem* relief from unfair practices in import trade, including unfair methods of competition in the importation of articles, importation and sale in the United States of articles which infringe US patents, registered trademarks, copyrights or mask works. Listed below are 337 actions published during the past month by the US International Trade Commission, the independent United States agency charged with enforcement of section 337.

Ref. Number	Commodity	Action
337-TA-897	Certain optical disc drives, components thereof, and products containing the same	Notice of Commission determination to review in part an initial determination terminating the investigation in its entirety based on complainant's lack of standing and on review to affirm with modified reasoning; termination of the investigation
337-TA-914	Certain Sulfentrazone, Sulfentrazone compositions, and processes for making Sulfentrazone	Commission's determination not to review in part a final initial determination finding no violation, and, on review, to set aside findings on one issue and correct a typographical error; termination of the investigation
337-TA-918	Certain toner cartridges and components	Commission determination to review in part an initial determination granting complainant's motion for summary determination of violation of section 337 and, on review, to modify certain portions of the initial determination; request for written submissions on remedy, the public interest, and bonding
337-TA-958	Certain automated teller machines and point of sale devices and associated software	Institution of an investigation based on a complaint filed on behalf of Global Cash Access, Inc. alleging patent infringement, false

Ref. Number	Commodity	Action
	thereof	advertising
337-TA-959	Certain electric skin care devices, brushes and chargers therefor, and kits containing the same	Institution of an investigation based on a complaint filed on behalf of Pacific Bioscience Laboratories, Inc., alleging patent infringement, trade dress infringement

In addition to the above actions, the ITC has published notices indicating that it has received complaints filed on behalf of the following companies alleging violations of §337 with regard to the listed commodities and soliciting comments on any public interest issues raised by the complaints:

Ref. No	Commodity	Complaint filed on behalf of:
DN 3070	Certain toner supply containers and components thereof	Canon Inc., Canon U.S.A., Inc. and Canon Virginia, Inc.
DN 3071	Certain lip balm products, containers for lip balm, and components thereof	eos Products, LLC and The Kind Group LLC
DN 3072	Certain resealable packages with slider devices	Reynolds Presto Products Inc.

Antidumping, Countervailing Duty and Safeguards Investigations, Orders & Reviews

In order to assist our clients in planning, we are listing antidumping, countervailing duty and safeguards notices published or posted during the past month from the US, Canada, Mexico, the EU, Australia, India, Brazil, and occasionally other countries. (Click on blue text for link to official document.)

Key: AD, ADD=antidumping, antidumping duty, CVD=countervailing duty or subsidy; LTFV=less than fair value.



United States Department of Commerce, International Trade Administration (ITA)

Case No	Merchandise/Country	Action
A-602-807 A-351-842 A-570-022 A-560-828 A-471-807	Certain uncoated paper from Australia, Brazil, China, Indonesia, and Portugal	Postponement of preliminary determinations of ADD investigations
A-570-890	Wooden bedroom furniture from China	Notice of initiation of changed circumstances review, and consideration of revocation of the ADD order in part
C-570-913	Certain new pneumatic off-the-road tires from China	Corrected notice of decision of the court of international trade not in harmony and corrected notice of amended final determination
A-533-823	Silicomanganese from India	Preliminary results of ADD administrative review; 2013- 2014
A-583-848	Certain stilbenic optical brightening agents from Taiwan	Preliminary results of ADD administrative review; 2013-2014
A-570-831	Fresh garlic from China	Preliminary intent to rescind the new shipper review of Jinxiang Kaihua Imp & Exp Co., Ltd.
A-570-832	Pure magnesium from China	Notice of court decision not in harmony with final results of ADD administrative review and notice of amended final results of the 2009-2010 ADD administrative review
A-570-964	Seamless refined copper pipe and tube from China	Final results of ADD administrative review; 2012 - 2013
A-489-501	Welded carbon steel standard pipe and tube	Preliminary results of ADD administrative review; 2013-2014


United States Department of Commerce, International Trade Administration (ITA)

Case No	Merchandise/Country	Action
	products from Turkey	
A-570-967	Aluminum extrusions from China	Preliminary results of ADD administrative review; 2013-2014
A-570-851	Certain preserved mushrooms from China	Final results of ADD new shipper review; 2013-2014
A-570-851	Certain preserved mushrooms from China	Final results of ADD administrative review; 2013-2014; and partial rescission of review
C-570-938	Citric acid and certain citrate salts from China	Preliminary results of CVD administrative review; 2013
A-122-853	Citric acid and certain citrate salts from Canada	Preliminary results of ADD administrative review; 2013-2014
A-570-937	Citric acid and certain citrate salts from China	Preliminary results of ADD administrative review; 2013-2014
A-570-900	Diamond sawblades and parts thereof from China	Final results of ADD administrative review; 2012-2013
A-421-811	Purified carboxymethylcellulose from the Netherlands	Preliminary results of ADD administrative review; 2013-2014
C-570-968	Aluminum extrusions from China	Preliminary results, preliminary intent to rescind, in part, and partial rescission of CVD administrative review; 2013
C-570-913	Certain new pneumatic off-the-road tires from China	Rescission of the CVD administrative review; 2013
A-520-804	Certain steel nails from the United Arab Emirates	Final results of ADD administrative review; 2013-2014
A-570-952	Narrow woven ribbon with woven selvage from China	Preliminary results of administrative review; 2013-2014
A-570-878	Saccharin from China	Revocation of the ADD order
C-552-813	Certain steel wire garment hangers from Vietnam	Rescission of CVD administrative review; 2014
A-580-809	Circular welded non-alloy steel pipe from S. Korea	Final results of ADD administrative review; 2012-2013
A-570-891	Hand trucks and certain parts thereof from China	Final results of ADD administrative review and rescission of review in part; 2012-2013
A-570-924	Polyethylene terephthalate film, sheet, and strip from China	Final results of ADD administrative review and final determination of no shipments; 2012-2013
A-475-818	Certain pasta from Italy	Initiation and preliminary results of ADD changed circumstances review
A-201-838	Seamless refined copper pipe and tube from Mexico	Final results of ADD administrative review; 2012-2013
A-570-831	Fresh garlic from China	Final results and partial rescission of the 19 th ADD administrative review; 2012-2013
A-557-816	Certain steel nails from Malaysia	Amended final determination of sales at LTFV
A-570-891	Hand trucks and certain parts thereof from China	Notice of amended final results of ADD administrative review pursuant to settlement
A-570-891	Hand trucks and certain parts thereof from China	Notice of amended final results of ADD administrative review pursuant to settlement; 2010-2011
A-274-806	Melamine from Trinidad and Tobago	Affirmative preliminary determination of sales at LTFV and postponement of final determination
A-570-890	Wooden bedroom furniture from China	ADD: Final results and final rescission, in part, of administrative review and final results of new shipper review; 2013
A-570-016	Certain passenger vehicle and light truck tires from China	Final determination of sales at LTFV and final affirmative determination of critical circumstances, in part
C-570-017	Certain passenger vehicle and light truck tires from China	CVD: Final affirmative determination, and final affirmative critical circumstances determination, in part
A-201-837 A-570-954	Certain magnesia carbon bricks from China and Mexico	Notice of court decision not in harmony with final scope ruling and notice of amended final scope ruling pursuant to court decision


United States Department of Commerce, International Trade Administration (ITA)

Case No	Merchandise/Country	Action
C-570-955		
A-570-020	Melamine from China	Preliminary determination of sales at LTFV
A-602-808	Silicomanganese from Australia	Postponement of preliminary determination of ADD investigation
A-201-830	Carbon and certain alloy steel wire rod from Mexico	Amended final results of ADD administrative review; 2012-2013
A-580-867	Large power transformers from S. Korea	Second amended final results of ADD administrative review; 2012-2013
A-570-893	Certain frozen warmwater shrimp from China	Rescission of ADD administrative review; 2014-2015
A-475-818	Certain pasta from Italy	Notice of preliminary results of ADD changed circumstances review
A-122-853 A-570-937 C-570-938	Citric acid and certain citrate salts from Canada and China	Continuation of the ADD orders on Canada and China, and continuation of the CVD order on China
A-570-891	Hand trucks and certain parts thereof from China	Rescission of ADD administrative review; 2013-2014
A-405-803	Purified carboxymethylcellulose from Finland	Final results of ADD administrative review; 2013-2014
A-570-888	Floor-standing, metal-top ironing tables and certain parts thereof from China	Notice of court decision not in harmony with final results and notice of amended final results of the antidumping duty administrative review; 2008-2009
A-570-007	Barium chloride from China	Final results of expedited fourth sunset review of the ADD order
A-552-801	Certain frozen fish fillets from Vietnam	Rescission of ADD new shipper reviews; 2013-2014
C-560-829	Certain uncoated paper from Indonesia	Preliminary affirmative CVD determination and alignment of final determination with final AD determination
C-570-023	Certain uncoated paper from China	Preliminary affirmative CVD determination and alignment of final determination with final ADD determination
C-570-027 C-533-864 C-475-833 C-580-879 C-583-857	Certain corrosion-resistant steel products from China, India, Italy, S. Korea, and Taiwan	Initiation of CVD investigations
A-570-831	Fresh garlic from China	Preliminary results of the changed circumstances review of Jining Yongjia Trade Co., Ltd. and Jinxiang County Shanfu Frozen Co., Ltd.
A-475-832 A-533-863 A-570-026 A-580-878 A-583-856	Certain corrosion-resistant steel products from Italy, India, China, S. Korea, and Taiwan	Initiation of LTFV investigations


United States International Trade Commission (USITC)

Case No	Merchandise/Country	Action
701-TA-473 731-TA-1173	Certain potassium phosphate salts from China	(Review) Institution of five-year reviews
701-TA-465 731-TA-1161	Certain steel grating from China	(Review) Institution of five-year reviews
731-TA-1070B	Certain tissue paper products from China	(Second Review) Institution of a five-year review
701-TA-514 731-TA-1250	53-foot domestic dry containers from China	(Final) Determinations that the establishment of an industry in the U.S. is not materially retarded by reason of imports of the subject


United States International Trade Commission (USITC)

Case No	Merchandise/Country	Action
		merchandise that have been found by Commerce to be sold in the U.S. at LTFV, and that have been found by Commerce to be subsidized by the Government of China.
701-TA-534-538 731-TA-1274-1278	Certain corrosion-resistant steel products from China, India, Italy, Korea, and Taiwan	(Preliminary) Institution of ADD and CVD investigations and scheduling of preliminary phase investigations
701-TA-516-519	Certain steel nails from Korea, Malaysia, Oman, and Taiwan	(Final) Termination of investigations
701-TA-524-525 731-TA-1260-1261	Certain welded line pipe from Korea and Turkey	(Final) Scheduling of the final phase of CVD and ADD investigations
AA1921-167	Pressure sensitive plastic tape from Italy	(Fourth Review) Notice of Commission determination to conduct a full five-year review
701-TA-456 731-TA-1151-1152	Citric acid and certain citrate salts from Canada and China	(Review) Determination that revocation of the CVD order and the ADD orders would be likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of material injury to an industry in the U.S. within a reasonably foreseeable time.


Canadian International Trade Tribunal (CITT)

Ref. Number	Merchandise/Country	Action
PB-2014-001	Concrete reinforcing bar originating in, or exported from, China, Korea and Turkey	Public hearing scheduled
RR-2014-004	Certain whole potatoes imported from the United States of America, for use or consumption in the province of British Columbia	Public hearing scheduled
RR-2014-005	Greenhouse bell peppers originating in, or exported from, the Netherlands	Public hearing scheduled
RR-2014-006	Refined sugar originating in, or exported from, USA, Denmark, Germany, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom,. Subsidizing of refined sugar originating in or exported from the EU	Public hearing scheduled
PI-2015-001	Dumping and subsidizing: Certain hot-rolled carbon steel plate and high-strength low-alloy steel plate originating in or exported from India and the Russian Federation	Notice of commencement of preliminary injury inquiry
NQ-2014-002	Oil country tubular goods originating in or exported from Chinese Taipei, India, Indonesia, Philippines, S. Korea, Thailand, Turkey, Ukraine and Vietnam	Finding, reasons and corrigendum issued; finds that the volumes of subsidized goods are negligible. As such, the CITT terminates its inquiry regarding the subsidizing of the subject goods; finds that the dumping of subject goods has not caused injury but is threatening to cause injury to the domestic industry.
RR-2014-004	Certain whole potatoes imported from the United States of America, for use or consumption in the province of British Columbia	Order issued to an importer to produce required information


Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA)

Ref. Number	Merchandise/Country	Action
RR-2014-005	Greenhouse bell peppers originating in, or exported from, the Netherlands	President of CBSA has determined that the expiry of the finding is likely to result in the continuation or resumption of dumping of the subject goods.


Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA)

Ref. Number	Merchandise/Country	Action
AD-1405	Certain photovoltaic modules and laminates originating in, or exported from, China	President of CBSA has made final determinations of dumping and subsidy


NAFTA Panels

Ref. Number	Merchandise/Country	Action
None		


Mexico - Ministry of Economy

Ref. Number	Merchandise/Country	Action
E.A. 09/14	Epoxidized soybean oil, originating in Argentina, regardless of country of origin.	Preliminary Resolution AD investigation
E.A. 12/14	Hot rolled steel coils, originating in Germany, China and France, regardless of country of origin	Preliminary Resolution AD investigation
E.A. 11/14	Children's bicycles, originating in China, regardless of country of origin.	Preliminary Resolution AD investigation
E.A. 26/13	Cold-rolled steel originating in China regardless of the country of origin	Final resolution of the AD investigation


European Union

Ref. Number	Merchandise/Country	Action
(EU) 2015/865	Certain pre- and post-stressing wires and wire strands of non-alloy steel (PSC wires and strands) originating in China	Commission Implementing Regulation imposing a definitive ADD following an expiry review
(EU) 2015/866	Crystalline silicon photovoltaic modules and key components (i.e. cells) originating in or consigned China	Commission Implementing Regulation withdrawing the acceptance of the undertaking for three exporting producers under Implementing Decision 2013/707/EU confirming the acceptance of an undertaking offered in connection with the AD and anti-subsidy proceedings for the period of application of definitive measures
2015/C 189/02	Sodium cyclamate originating in or exported from China and Indonesia	Notice of initiation of an expiry review of the AD measures
2015/C 194/04	Certain molybdenum wires originating in, or exported from, China	Notice of initiation of an expiry review of the AD measures
2015/C 199/02	Certain cargo-scanning systems originating in or exported from China	Notice of the expiry of certain AD measures 17.6.2015
2015/C 199/03	Certain continuous filament glass fibre products originating in or exported from China	Notice of the impending expiry of certain AD measures 16.3.2016
2015/C 212/06	Tungsten carbide, tungsten carbide simply mixed with metallic powder and fused tungsten carbide originating in or exported from China	Notice of the impending expiry of certain AD measures 25.3.2016
2015/C 212/08	High fatigue performance steel concrete reinforcement bars originating in China	Corrigendum to notice of initiation of an AD proceeding (OJ C 143, 30.4.2015)

**European Union**

Ref. Number	Merchandise/Country	Action
(EU) 2015/1019	Certain stainless steel wires originating in India	Commission Implementing Regulation amending Council Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1106/2013 imposing a definitive ADD and collecting definitively the provisional duty imposed - amending Council Implementing Regulation (EU) No 861/2013 imposing a definitive CVD and collecting definitively the provisional duty and repealing Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/49

**Australian Anti-Dumping Commission**

Ref. №	Merchandise/Country	Action
2015/69	Zinc Coated (Galvanised) Steel from China	Initiation of an Anti-Circumvention Inquiry
2015/70	Zinc Coated (Galvanised) Steel and Aluminium Zinc Coated Steel from China	Termination Report 193A
2015/71	Silicon Metal from China	Findings in relation to a dumping and subsidisation investigation

**China Ministry of Commerce (MOFCOM)**

Ref. Number	Merchandise/Country from China	Action
18.2015	Carbon steel fasteners originating in the EU	Final review of ADD

**Government of India Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue)**

Reference	Merchandise/Country	Action
25/2015-Cus (ADD)	Poly vinyl chloride paste resin, originating in, or exported from, China, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Russia, Taiwan and Thailand	Extends the validity of notification No. 66/2011-Customs, dated 26 July for a further period of one year.
26/2015-Cus (ADD)	Poly vinyl chloride paste resin also called as emulsion PVC resin originating in, or exported from European Union	Extends the validity of notification No. 70/2010-Customs, dated 25 June for a further period of one year
27/2015-Cus (ADD)	Acrylic fibre, originating in or exported from Korea RP and Thailand	Levies definitive ADD on imports for a period of five years
28/2015-Cus (ADD)	Hot rolled flat products of stainless steel of ASTM Grade 304 with all its variants originating in, or exported from China, Korea and Malaysia	Levies definitive ADD on imports for a period of five years
29/2015-Cus (ADD)	Vitamin E, originating in or exported from China	Levies definitive ADD on imports for a period of five years.
30/2015-Cus (ADD)	Nylon tyre cord fabric, originating in or exported from China	Levies definitive ADD on imports for a period of five years



Argentina Ministry of Economy and Public Finance

Ref. Number	Merchandise/Country	Action
Res. 370/2015	Polyester fibers and yarns originating in China	Opening of expiration of term review
Res. 436/2015	Ceramic sanitary ware originating in the Brazil and Uruguay	Opening of expiration of term review
Res. 410/2015	Porcelain insulators originating in Brazil, China and Colombia	Assessment of definitive ADD



Brazil Ministry of Development, Industry and Trade

Reference	Merchandise/Country	Action
Secex Cir. № 37	Polyvinyl chloride, not mixed with other substances, obtained by suspension process - PVC -S from Mexico	Makes public the update of the reference price
Secex Cir. № 38	Flat low carbon steel and low alloy from conventional or continuous casting, (plates), originating in China	Start anticumvention review to ascertain the existence of commercial practices aimed at thwarting the effectiveness of anti-dumping measures in force
Secex Cir. № 39	Polyethylene terephthalate originating in China, Chinese Taipei, India and Indonesia.	Starts investigation to ascertain the existence of dumping
Secex Cir. № 40	Unwrought magnesium metal originating in China	Final decision to use the United States as a country substitute for purposes of calculating the normal value of the PRC in the ADD review
Camex Res. № 56	Basic refractory magnesia originating in China and Mexico	Clarifies the tariff items in the basic magnesia refractory ADD applied to the object through CAMEX Resolution № 107 of December 18, 2013, they can be classified.
Camex Res. № 57	Elastomeric rubber tubes, from Germany, UAE, Israel, Italy and Malaysia.	Apply definitive ADD for a period of five (5) years
Camex Res. № 58	Disposable syringes commonly used originating in China.	Extending definitive ADD for a period of five (5) years

Opportunity to Request Administrative Review

In a June 1, 2015 *Federal Register* [notice](#), the US Department of Commerce announced that it will receive requests to conduct administrative reviews of various antidumping (AD) and countervailing duty (CVD) orders and findings with June anniversary dates:

AD/CVD Proceedings - Country/ Merchandise	Case No.	Period
Antidumping Duty Proceedings		
Japan: Carbon and Alloy Seamless Standard, Line, and Pressure Pipe, (Over 4 1/2 Inches)	A-588-850	6/1/14-5/31/15
Carbon and Alloy Seamless Standard, Line and Pressure Pipe, (Under 4 1/2 Inches)	A-588-851	6/1/14-5/31/15
Mexico: Prestressed Concrete Steel Rail Tie Wire	A-201-843	12/12/13-5/31/15
Spain: Chlorinated Isocyanurates	A-469-814	6/1/14-5/31/15
Taiwan: Helical Spring Lock Washers	A-583-820	6/1/14-5/31/15
P.R. of China: Artist Canvas	A-570-899	6/1/14-5/31/15
Chlorinated Isocyanurates	A-570-898	6/1/14-5/31/15
Furfuryl Alcohol	A-570-835	6/1/14-5/31/15
High Pressure Steel Cylinders	A-570-977	6/1/14-5/31/15
Polyester Staple Fiber	A-570-905	6/1/14-5/31/15

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AD/CVD Proceedings - Country/ Merchandise	Case No.	Period
Prestressed Concrete Steel Rail Tie Wire	A-570-990	12/12/13-5/31/15
Prestressed Concrete Steel Wire Strand	A-570-945	6/1/14-5/31/15
Silicon Metal	A-570-806	6/1/14-5/31/15
Tapered Roller Bearings	A-570-601	6/1/14-5/31/15
Countervailing Duty Proceedings		
P.R. of China: High Pressure Steel Cylinders	C-570-978	1/1/14-12/31/14
Suspension Agreements		
None.		

Initiation of Sunset Reviews

In a June 1, 2015, *Federal Register* [notice](#), the US Department of Commerce advised that it was automatically initiating a five-year (“Sunset”) review of the anti-dumping and countervailing duty orders listed below.

AD/CVD DOC Case No.	ITC Case No.	Country	Merchandise
Antidumping Duty Proceedings			
A-570-962	731-TA-1173	PRC	Potassium Phosphate Salts (1 st Review)
A-570-947	731-TA-1161	PRC	Steel Grating (1 st Review)
A-570-894	731-TA-1070B	PRC	Tissue Paper Products (2 nd Review)
Countervailing Duty Proceedings			
C-570-963	701-TA-473	PRC	Potassium Phosphate Salts (1 st Review)
C-570-948	701-TA-465	PRC	Steel Grating (1 st Review)

Advance Notification of Sunset Reviews

In a June 1, 2015, *Federal Register* [notice](#), the US Department of Commerce advised that the following cases were scheduled for five-year (“Sunset”) reviews for July.

AD/CVD Proceedings - Merchandise/Country	Case No.
Antidumping Duty Proceedings	
Woven Electric Blankets from China	A-570-951 (1 st Review)
Countervailing Duty Proceedings	
None	
Suspended Investigations	
None	

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