

The Applicable Statute and Regulations

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the statute are references to the provisions effective January 1, 1995, the effective date of the amendments made to the Tariff Act of 1930 (the Act) by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act. In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Department of Commerce (the Department) regulations are references to the provisions codified at 19 CFR part 351 (1998).

Extension of Time Limits for Preliminary Results

The Department has received a request to conduct an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on certain fresh cut flowers from Ecuador. On April 24, 1998, the Department initiated this administrative review covering the period March 1, 1997 through February 28, 1998.

Owing to certain issues surrounding this case, it is not practicable to complete this review within the time limits mandated by section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act (see Memorandum from Richard Moreland to Robert LaRussa, Re: Extension of Time Limit for Administrative Review of Fresh Cut Flowers from Ecuador, November 24, 1998). Therefore, in accordance with that section, the Department is extending the time limits for the issuance of the preliminary results of review to March 30, 1999. The Department intends to issue the final results of review 120 days after the publication of the preliminary results. This extension of the time limit is in accordance with section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act.

Dated: November 24, 1998.

Richard W. Moreland,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION**

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Notice of Antidumping Duty Order: Certain Preserved Mushrooms from Chile

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 2, 1998.

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The Applicable Statute

Unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended ("the Act"), are references to the provisions effective January 1, 1995, the effective date of the amendments made to the Act by the Uruguay Round Agreements Act ("URAA"). In addition, unless otherwise indicated, all citations to the Department of Commerce ("Department") regulations are to the regulations at 19 CFR part 351, (1998).

Scope of Order

The products covered by this order are certain preserved mushrooms whether imported whole, sliced, diced, or as stems and pieces. The preserved mushrooms covered by this order are the species *Agaricus bisporus* and *Agaricus bitorquis*. "Preserved mushrooms" refer to mushrooms that have been prepared or preserved by cleaning, blanching, and sometimes slicing or cutting. These mushrooms are then packed and heated in containers including but not limited to cans or glass jars in a suitable liquid medium, including but not limited to water, brine, butter or butter sauce. Preserved mushrooms may be imported whole, sliced, diced, or as stems and pieces. Included within the scope of the order are "brined" mushrooms, which are presalted and packed in a heavy salt solution to provisionally preserve them for further processing.

Excluded from the scope of the order are the following: (1) All other species of mushroom, including straw mushrooms; (2) all fresh and chilled mushrooms, including "refrigerated" or "quick blanched mushrooms"; (3) dried mushrooms; (4) frozen mushrooms; and (5) "marinated," "acidified" or "pickled" mushrooms, which are prepared or preserved by means of vinegar or acetic acid, but may contain oil or other additives.

The merchandise subject to this order is classifiable under subheadings 2003.1000.27, 2003.1000.31, 2003.1000.37, 2003.1000.43, 2003.1000.47, 2003.1000.53, and 0711.90.4000 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States ("HTS"). Although the HTS subheadings are provided for convenience and Customs purposes, the written description of the merchandise under investigation is dispositive.

Antidumping Duty Order

On November 25, 1998, in accordance with section 735(d) of the Act, the U.S. International Trade Commission (ITC) notified the Department that a U.S. industry is materially injured by reason of imports of certain preserved mushrooms from Chile, pursuant to section 735(b)(1)(A) of the Act. Therefore, in accordance with section 736(a)(1) of the Act, the Department will direct the United States Customs Service to assess, upon further advice by the Department, antidumping duties equal to the amount by which the normal value of the merchandise exceeds the export price and constructed export price of the merchandise for all relevant entries of certain preserved mushrooms from Chile. These antidumping duties will be assessed on all unliquidated entries of certain preserved mushrooms from Chile entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after August 5, 1998, the date on which the Department published its preliminary determination notice in the **Federal Register** (63 FR 41786).

On or after the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, Customs officers must require, at the same time as importers would normally deposit estimated duties, the cash deposits listed below for the subject merchandise. The All Others rate applies to all exporters of subject merchandise not specifically listed below.

The weighted-average dumping margins are as follows:

Exporter/manufacturer	Weighted-average margin percentage
Nature's Farm Products (Chile) S.A.	148.51
All Others	148.51

This notice constitutes the antidumping duty order with respect to certain preserved mushrooms from Chile, pursuant to section 736(a) of the Act. Interested parties may contact the Central Records Unit, Room B-099 of the Main Commerce Building, for copies of an updated list of antidumping duty orders currently in effect.

This order is published in accordance with section 736(a) of the Act.

Dated: November 19, 1998.

Holly Kuga,

Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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