

Proclamation 5646 of May 4, 1987

**To Modify Duty-Free Treatment Under the Generalized System of Preferences, the Caribbean Basin Economic Recovery Act, and the United States-Israel Free Trade Implementation Act, To Enable the Monitoring of Textile Agreements and for Other Purposes**

*By the President of the United States of America*  
*A Proclamation*

1. On July 31, 1986, under the authority of section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956 (7 U.S.C. 1854), the United States accepted the Protocol Extending the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles. The Protocol expands the product coverage of the Arrangement to include certain vegetable fiber and silk-blend textiles and textile products that previously had not been under the Arrangement. The United States also concluded a bilateral agreement, the Agreement Relating to Trade in Cotton, Wool, Man-made Fibers, Silk-blend and Other Vegetable Fiber Textile and Textile Products, with Hong Kong. Effective August 1, 1986, the Agreement extended the coverage of an earlier bilateral agreement with Hong Kong to include certain vegetable fiber and silk-blend textiles and textile products.
2. Section 503(c)(1) of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended (the Trade Act) (19 U.S.C. 2463(c)(1)), provides that textile and apparel articles "subject to textile agreements" are not eligible for tariff preferences under the Generalized System of Preferences (GSP). Therefore, I have determined that certain vegetable fiber and silk-blend textiles and textile products now subject to textile agreements should be removed from the list of articles eligible for GSP benefits. Annex I to this Proclamation modifies the Tariff Schedules of the United States (TSUS) (19 U.S.C. 1202) to implement this change in tariff treatment for articles covered by the listed TSUS item numbers. Furthermore, TSUS items 372.60 and 372.65 now contain certain articles that are subject, and other articles that are not subject, to textile agreements. Accordingly, as indicated in Annex II to this Proclamation, I am acting to modify the TSUS to remove from eligibility under the GSP those articles that have become subject to textile agreements, and to make certain conforming changes in the TSUS.
3. I have determined that the TSUS incorrectly indicates duty-free treatment for articles eligible for entry under certain items in schedule 8 of the TSUS that are otherwise subject to duty under the Agreement on the Establishment of a Free Trade Area Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Israel (the Israel Agreement) and under the Caribbean Basin Economic Recovery Act (CBERA) (19 U.S.C. 2701). Therefore, I am acting as indicated in Annex III to this Proclamation to delete the Israel and CBERA duty-free designations in the Rates of Duty Special column corresponding to these items.
4. I have determined that general headnote 3(e)(vii) of the TSUS should be modified as indicated in Annex IV to this Proclamation in order to reflect section 235 of the Trade and Tariff Act of 1984, amending section 213(a) of the CBERA. In addition, I have determined that general headnote 3(e)(vii)

should be further modified to correct certain clerical errors in that headnote and to include language that conforms more closely with the underlying text of section 213(b) of the CBERA.

5. I have determined, on the basis of Customs classification practice and after taking into account new statistical information, that certain modifications are necessary in the TSUS to reflect properly the eligibility for GSP benefits of certain articles from certain beneficiary developing countries. Accordingly, I am acting to modify the TSUS as indicated in Annex V to this Proclamation.

6. In Proclamation 5452 of March 31, 1986, I removed from the list of articles eligible for benefits of the GSP certain mixtures containing ethanol. Through technical error, certain conforming changes and the staged reductions in duty for certain chemicals the product of Israel were omitted. Accordingly, I have determined it is appropriate to modify two chemical items in the Appendix to the TSUS to ensure that appropriate duty treatment for such chemicals is continued. I have further determined that it is necessary to provide for the continuation of scheduled staged reductions in duty for the chemicals that are the product of Israel under the Israel Agreement. Accordingly, I am modifying the TSUS as indicated in Annex VI to this Proclamation.

7. Section 4(b) of the United States-Israel Free Trade Area Implementation Act of 1985 (19 U.S.C. 2112 note) authorizes the President to proclaim the modification of any duty that I determine is required or appropriate to carry out the Israel Agreement in order to "maintain the general level of reciprocal and mutually advantageous concessions with respect to Israel." I have determined that, due to an inadvertence of both parties to the Israel Agreement, the contemplated duty reduction has not been properly implemented with respect to ornamented, knit, swimming suits and other swimwear of man-made fibers, for women, girls, or infants, provided for in TSUS item 384.19. Accordingly, I have determined that the TSUS should be modified to correct this inadvertence and to make certain conforming changes in the TSUS as indicated in Annex VII to this Proclamation.

8. In order to provide for the continuation of duty-free treatment for certain Canadian automotive products that are currently eligible for such treatment under the Automotive Products Trade Act of 1965 (19 U.S.C. 2001 *et seq.*), consistent with the changes to the TSUS that resulted from the enactment of the Trade and Tariff Act of 1984, I have determined it is necessary to modify the article description of TSUS item 685.55, as indicated in Annex VIII to this Proclamation.

9. I have determined it is necessary to modify the TSUS as indicated in Annex IX to this Proclamation in order to correct clerical errors in the designation of a beneficiary country for purposes of the GSP and the CBERA.

10. I have determined it is necessary to modify two items in the Appendix to the TSUS as indicated in Annex X to this Proclamation to ensure that appropriate duty treatment is accorded these items in the Rates of Duty Special column.

11. I have determined it is necessary to modify the TSUS as indicated in Annex XI to this Proclamation in order to correct an error in Proclamation 5291 of December 28, 1984.

12. Section 604 of the Trade Act confers authority upon the President to embody in the TSUS the substance of the relevant provisions of that Act, of other acts affecting import treatment, and of actions taken thereunder.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RONALD REAGAN, President of the United States of America, acting under the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the statutes of the United States, including but not limited to section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, the Automotive Products Trade Act of 1965, Title V and section 604 of the Trade Act of 1974, sections 211, 213, and 218 of the Caribbean Basin Economic Recovery Act, and sections 4 and 8(b)(2) of the United States-Israel Free Trade Area Implementation Act of 1985, do proclaim that:

(1) The TSUS are modified as set forth in the Annexes to this Proclamation.

(2) The modifications to the TSUS made by the Annexes to this Proclamation are effective on the dates set forth in the Annexes, except that the modifications made by section A of Annex II to this Proclamation with respect to articles eligible for benefits of the GSP is effective with respect to articles both: (i) imported on or after January 1, 1976, and (ii) entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after August 1, 1986.

(3) Prior proclamations and Executive orders are superseded to the extent inconsistent with this Proclamation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 4th day of May, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and eighty-seven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and eleventh.

RONALD REAGAN

#### ANNEX I

The TSUS are modified as follows:

(a) *Effective with respect to articles both: (i) imported on or after January 1, 1976, and (ii) entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after August 1, 1986.*

For the following items, the symbol "A" in parentheses following the rate of duty "Free" is deleted from the Rates of Duty Special column:

308.80	356.40	370.17	702.95
308.90	363.02	370.19	704.75
355.04	365.29	702.08	704.80
355.20	365.84	702.14	706.37
355.42	365.91	702.85	
355.55	366.84	702.90	

(b) *Effective with respect to articles both: (i) imported on or after January 1, 1976, and (ii) entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after August 1, 1986, and before the close of December 31, 1986.*

For the following items, the symbol "A" in parentheses following the rate of duty "Free" is deleted from the Rates of Duty Special column:

703.80	703.85
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#### ANNEX II

Notes:

1. Bracketed matter is included to assist in the understanding of ordered modifications.
2. The following items, with or without preceding superior descriptions, supersede matter now in the TSUS. The items and superior descriptions are set forth in columnar form, and material in such columns is inserted in the columns of the TSUS designated "Item".

"Articles", "Rates of Duty 1", "Rates of Duty Special", and "Rates of Duty 2", respectively.

Subject to the above notes, the TSUS are modified as follows:

Section A. *Effective as to articles entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after August 1, 1986.*

1. Headnote 9 of schedule 3 is deleted and the following substituted in lieu thereof:

"9. The term "subject to textile agreements", wherever it appears in this schedule or in schedule 7, refers to textiles and textile articles—

(a) in chief value of vegetable fibers, wool, man-made fibers, or silk, or blends thereof in which those fibers, in the aggregate, exceed in value each other single component thereof, provided, in the case of apparel in chief value of silk, the silk content is less than 70 percent by weight, and in the case of other articles in chief value of silk, the silk content is less than 85 percent by weight; or

(b) in which either the cotton content or the man-made fiber content equals or exceeds 50 percent by weight of all component fibers thereof; or

(c) in which the wool content exceeds 17 percent by weight of all component fibers thereof; or

(d) in which either the silk (except as provided for in (a) above) or the non-cotton vegetable fiber content equals or exceeds 50 percent by weight of all component fibers thereof; or

(e) containing blends of silk (except as provided for in (a) above), vegetable fibers, wool, or man-made fibers, which fibers, in the aggregate, amount to 50 percent or more by weight of all component fibers thereof."

2. Items 372.60 and 372.65 are superseded and the following new items and superior headings are inserted in lieu thereof:

	[Mufflers, . . .]				
	[Other . . .]				
	[Of silk:]				
	[Not knit:]				
	[Weighing . . .]				
	"Valued over \$5 per dozen:				
372.61	Containing 70 percent or more by weight of silk.....	8% ad val.	Free (A, E) 5.6% ad val. (I)	60% ad val.	
372.63	Other.....	8% ad val.	Free (E*) 5.6% ad val. (I)	60% ad val.	
	Other:				
372.66	Containing 70 percent or more by weight of silk.....	9.3% ad val.	Free (A, E) 6.5% ad val. (I)	65% ad val.	
372.68	Other.....	9.3% ad val.	Free (E*) 6.5% ad val. (I)	65% ad val."	

Section B. *Effective with respect to articles entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after January 1, 1987.*

For each of the following items created by section A of this Annex the rate of duty in the Rates of Duty 1 column is deleted and the following rate of duty is inserted in lieu thereof:

372.61	6.9% ad val.
372.63	6.9% ad val.
372.66	8% ad val.

372.68 8% ad val.

Section C. *Effective with respect to articles the product of Israel which are entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after the dates set forth in the following tabulation.*

For each of the following items created by section A of this Annex the rate of duty in the Rates of Duty Special column that is followed by the symbol "I" in parentheses is deleted and the following rate of duty is inserted on the date specified in lieu thereof followed by the symbol "I" in parentheses:

	January 1, 1987	January 1, 1988	January 1, 1989	January 1, 1990	January 1, 1992	January 1, 1995
372.61	4.1% ad val.	3.5% ad val.	2.8% ad val.	2.1% ad val.	0.7% ad val.	Free
372.63	4.1% ad val.	3.5% ad val.	2.8% ad val.	2.1% ad val.	0.7% ad val.	Free
372.66	4.8% ad val.	4% ad val.	3.2% ad val.	2.4% ad val.	0.8% ad val.	Free
372.68	4.8% ad val.	4% ad val.	3.2% ad val.	2.4% ad val.	0.8% ad val.	Free

## ANNEX III

The TSUS are modified as follows:

Section A. *Effective as to articles entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after January 1, 1984, and on or before August 31, 1985.*

General headnote 3(g)(iii) of the TSUS is modified by:

- (a) in subdivision (F) deleting "apply; or" and inserting "apply;" in lieu thereof;
- (b) redesignating subdivision (G) as subdivision (H); and
- (c) inserting after subdivision (F) the following: "(G) the articles provided for in schedule 8 which are enumerated in subdivisions (A) through (F) above; or".

Section B. *Effective with respect to articles entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after September 1, 1985.*

For each of the following items the rate of duty "Free" and the symbol "E" in parentheses is deleted from the Rates of Duty Special column:

804.10	806.30	869.10
804.20	807.00	870.50
806.20	869.00	870.55

For each of the following items the rate of duty "Free" and the symbol "I" in parentheses is deleted from the Rates of Duty Special column:

804.10	806.20	807.00
804.20	806.30	869.10

## ANNEX IV

The TSUS are modified as follows:

*Effective as to articles entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after September 1, 1965.*

General headnote 3(e)(vii) of the TSUS is modified by:

- (a) adding at the end of subdivision (B) the following:
 

"(4) Notwithstanding section 311 of the Tariff Act of 1930 (19 U.S.C. 1311), the products of a beneficiary country which are imported directly from such country into Puerto Rico may be entered under bond for processing or manufacturing in Puerto Rico. No duty shall be imposed on the withdrawal from warehouse of the product of such processing or manufacturing if, at the time of such withdrawal, such product meets the requirements of subdivision (e)(vii)(B)(1)(ii) above.";
- (b) in the first sentence of subdivision (C), deleting "are those designated" and inserting "are those proclaimed" in lieu thereof;
- (c) in subdivision (D)(2), deleting the "the CBERA; or" and inserting "the CBERA;" in lieu thereof;

(d) in subdivision (D)(3), deleting "of this headnote." and inserting "of this headnote; or" in lieu thereof; and

(e) adding at the end of subdivision (D)(3) the following:

"(4) footwear, handbags, luggage, flat goods, work gloves, and leather wearing apparel not designated, at the time of the effective date of the CBERA, as eligible articles for purposes of the GSP."

#### ANNEX V

The TSUS are modified as follows:

Section A. *Effective with respect to articles both: (i) imported on or after January 1, 1976, and (ii) entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after March 30, 1984 and on or before August 31, 1985.*

1. For item 406.12 the designation "A" is inserted in the column entitled "GSP" in the TSUS for such item.

2. For item 406.37 the article description is modified by deleting therefrom the chemical "1,2-Dihydro-2,2,4-trimethylquinoline polymer;"

Section B. *Effective with respect to articles both: (i) imported on or after January 1, 1976, and (ii) entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after September 1, 1985.*

For item 406.12 a rate of duty of "Free" followed by the symbol "A" in parentheses is inserted in the Rates of Duty Special column.

Section C. *Effective with respect to articles both: (i) imported on or after January 1, 1976, and (ii) entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after July 1, 1986.*

1. General headnote 3(e)(v)(D) to the TSUS is modified by:

(a) deleting therefrom "688.30. . . Costa Rica" and inserting in lieu thereof "688.30. . . Republic of Korea"; and

(b) by deleting therefrom "470.85. . . Mexico"; and

2. For item 470.85 the rate of duty "Free" followed by the symbol "A\*" in parentheses in the Rates of Duty Special column is modified by deleting the symbol "A\*" and by inserting the symbol "A" in lieu thereof.

#### ANNEX VI

The TSUS are modified as follows:

Section A. *Effective as to articles entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after March 31, 1986.*

Part 1B of the Appendix to the TSUS is modified by:

(a) deleting from the article description of item 906.52 the item number "432.25" and inserting "432.28" in lieu thereof; and

(b) deleting from the article description of item 907.13 the phrase "item 407.16" and inserting "items 407.17 and 407.19" in lieu thereof.

Section B. *Effective as to articles the product of Israel which entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after January 1, 1989.*

For each of the items 407.11, 407.13, 407.17, 407.19, 413.52, 413.54, 432.26, and 432.28 the rate of duty in the Rates of Duty Special column that is followed by the symbol "I" in parentheses is deleted and the rate of duty "Free" is inserted in lieu thereof followed by the symbol "I" in parentheses.

#### ANNEX VII

##### Notes:

1. Bracketed matter is included to assist in the understanding of ordered modifications.
2. The following items, with or without preceding superior descriptions, supersede matter now in the TSUS. The items and superior descriptions are set forth in columnar form, and material in such columns is inserted in the columns of the TSUS designated "Item", "Articles", "Rates of Duty 1", "Rates of Duty Special", and "Rates of Duty 2", respectively.

Subject to the above notes, the TSUS are modified as follows:

Section A. *Effective as to articles entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after September 1, 1985.*

1. Subpart F of part 6 of schedule 3 of the TSUS is modified by inserting in numerical sequence the following new item and rates of duty:

	[Women's, . . . ]			
	[Of man-made fibers:]			
	[Knit:]			
"384.17	Swimming suits and other swimwear.....	34.2% ad val.	Free (I)	90% ad val."

2. Conforming change: Delete from the article description for item 384.19 the phrase "swimming suits and other swimwear";.

Section B. *Effective as to articles entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after the dates set forth in the following tabulation.*

For item 384.17 created by section A of this Annex the rate of duty in the Rates of Duty 1 column is stricken and the following rate of duty is inserted in lieu thereof on the date specified:

January 1, 1986	January 1, 1987
32.1% ad val.	30% ad val.

#### ANNEX VIII

The TSUS are modified as follows:

*Effective as to articles entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after January 1, 1985.*

For item 685.55 the article description is modified by deleting therefrom the phrase "items 685.11 to 685.50," and inserting "items 684.92 to 685.49" in lieu thereof.

#### ANNEX IX

The TSUS are modified as follows:

Section A. *Effective with respect to articles both: (i) imported on or after January 1, 1976, and (ii) entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after March 1, 1987.*

General headnote (e)(v)(A) to the TSUS is modified by:

- (a) deleting, in the list of independent countries, "Aruba"; and
- (b) inserting in alphabetical sequence, in the list of non-independent countries and territories, "Aruba".
- (c) deleting, in the list of non-independent countries and territories, "Saint Christopher-Nevis";
- (d) inserting in alphabetical sequence, in the list of independent countries, "Saint Christopher and Nevis"; and
- (e) deleting, in the list of member countries of the Caribbean Common Market (CARICOM), "Saint Christopher-Nevis", and inserting in lieu thereof "Saint Christopher and Nevis".

Section B. *Effective with respect to articles entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after March 1, 1987.*

General headnote 3(e)(vii)(A) is modified by deleting "Saint Christopher-Nevis" and inserting in lieu thereof "Saint Christopher and Nevis".

#### ANNEX X

The TSUS are modified as follows:

Section A. *Effective with respect to articles both: (i) imported on or after January 1, 1976, and (ii) entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after July 1, 1986.*

For item 903.15 the rate of duty "No Change" followed by the symbol "A\*" in parentheses in the Rates of Duty Special column is modified by deleting the symbol "A\*" and by inserting the symbol "A" in lieu thereof.

Section B. *Effective with respect to articles entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after January 1, 1987.*

For item 907.22 the rate of duty "No Change" followed by the symbol "D" in parentheses in the Rates of Duty Special column is modified by deleting the symbol "D".

#### ANNEX XI

The TSUS are modified as follows:

*Effective with respect to articles entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after April 29, 1985.*

The superior heading to items 680.46 through 681.24 is modified by deleting "motor vehicles and bicycles" and inserting "motor vehicles, aircraft, and bicycles" in lieu thereof.

### Proclamation 5647 of May 4, 1987

## Asian/Pacific American Heritage Week, 1987

*By the President of the United States of America*

### *A Proclamation*

Like all Americans, those of Asian and Pacific descent share twin heritages—the rich cultural legacy of the lands of their forebears and the liberty that is the birthright of every American. Drawing on the values and traditions of their homelands and the promise of this land of opportunity, Asian and Pacific Americans have long helped build and strengthen our Nation. They have also gallantly defended our country and our freedom in time of war.

Through the years, many of the indelible contributions by Asian and Pacific Americans to our land have come from immigrants. These quiet heroes and heroines have known oppression and poverty in their native lands and have courageously struggled to reach the United States and make a new life for themselves and their children. Their story is America's story, and their spirit is America's spirit.

Every American can be profoundly grateful for the achievements of Asian and Pacific Americans. Their hard work, creativity, and intelligence have inspired their fellow citizens and added new dimensions to our national life.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RONALD REAGAN, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the United States, do hereby proclaim the week beginning May 3, 1987, as Asian/Pacific American Heritage Week. I call upon the people of the United States to observe this week with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this fourth day of May, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and eighty-seven, and of the