

**Proclamation 6152 of June 29, 1990****To Modify Duty-Free Treatment Under the Generalized System of Preferences and for Other Purposes**

*By the President of the United States of America*

*A Proclamation*

1. Pursuant to Title V of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended (the 1974 Act) (19 U.S.C. 2461 *et seq.*), the President may designate specified articles provided for in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTS) as eligible for preferential tariff treatment under the Generalized System of Preferences (GSP) when imported from designated beneficiary developing countries.

2. Pursuant to section 504(c) of the 1974 Act (19 U.S.C. 2464(c)), beneficiary developing countries, except those designated as least-developed beneficiary developing countries pursuant to section 504(c)(6) of the 1974 Act, are subject to limitations on the preferential treatment afforded under the GSP. Pursuant to section 504(c)(5) of the 1974 Act, a country that is no longer treated as a beneficiary developing country with respect to an eligible article may be redesignated as a beneficiary developing country with respect to such article if imports of such article from such country did not exceed the limitations in section 504(c)(1) (after application of paragraph (c)(2)) during the preceding calendar year.

3. Pursuant to section 504(c)(5) of the 1974 Act, I have determined that Brazil should be redesignated as a beneficiary developing country with respect to specified previously designated eligible articles. Brazil has been previously excluded from benefits of the GSP with respect to such eligible articles pursuant to section 504(c)(1) of the 1974 Act.

4. Section 503(c)(1) of the 1974 Act (19 U.S.C. 2463(c)(1)) provides that the President may not designate certain specified categories of import-sensitive articles as eligible articles under the GSP. Section 503(c)(1)(A) of the 1974 Act provides that textile and apparel articles that are subject to textile agreements are import-sensitive. Pursuant to sections 504(a) and 604 of the 1974 Act (19 U.S.C. 2464(a) and 2483), I am acting to modify the HTS to remove from eligibility under the GSP those articles that have become subject to textile agreements and to make certain conforming changes in the HTS.

5. Pursuant to section 504(f) of the 1974 Act (19 U.S.C. 2464(f)), in Proclamation No. 5805 of April 29, 1988 (53 FR 15785), the President terminated the preferential tariff treatment under the GSP for articles eligible for such treatment that are imported from Bahrain. In light of revised statistics provided by the World Bank on the per capita gross national product of Bahrain for calendar year 1985, I have determined that the previous determination in Proclamation No. 5805 that the per capita gross national product of Bahrain for calendar year 1985 exceeded the applicable limit under section 504(f) of the 1974 Act was erroneous, and the restrictions of section 504(f)(1) of the 1974 Act are therefore inapplicable to Bahrain. I have further determined, pursuant to sections 502(a) and (c) of the 1974 Act (19 U.S.C. 2462(a) and (c)), and having due regard for the eligibility criteria set forth therein, that it is appropriate to designate Bahrain as a beneficiary developing country

for purposes of the GSP. Pursuant to section 502(a)(1) of the 1974 Act (19 U.S.C. 2462(a)(1)), I have notified the House of Representatives and the Senate of this designation.

6. Pursuant to section 201(b) of the United States-Canada Free-Trade Agreement Implementation Act of 1988 (the Implementation Act) (Public Law 100-449, 102 Stat. 1851, 1855), the President in Proclamation No. 6142 of May 25, 1990 (55 FR 21835), implemented an accelerated schedule of duty elimination under the United States-Canada Free-Trade Agreement. I have determined that it is necessary to modify the HTS to correct a typographical error in Proclamation No. 6142.

7. Section 1204(b)(1)(C) of the Omnibus Trade and Competitiveness Act of 1988 (the 1988 Act) (19 U.S.C. 3004(b)(1)(C)) authorizes the President to proclaim such modifications to the HTS as are necessary or appropriate to implement such technical rectifications to the HTS as the President considers necessary. Pursuant to section 1204(b)(1)(C) of the 1988 Act, I have determined that certain technical rectifications to the HTS are necessary.

8. Section 604 of the 1974 Act (19 U.S.C. 2483) authorizes the President to embody in the HTS the substance of the provisions of that Act, and of other acts affecting import treatment, and actions thereunder.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE BUSH, President of the United States of America, acting under the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the laws of the United States, including but not limited to Title V and section 604 of the 1974 Act, section 201(b) of the Implementation Act, and section 1204(b)(1)(C) of the 1988 Act, do proclaim that:

(1) In order to remove from eligibility under the GSP an article that has become subject to textile agreements, and to make certain conforming changes in the HTS, the HTS is modified as provided in Annex I to this proclamation.

(2)(a) In order to terminate preferential tariff treatment under the GSP for an article imported from all designated beneficiary developing countries that has become subject to textile agreements, the Rates of Duty 1-Special subcolumn for the HTS subheading enumerated in Annex II(a) is modified by deleting the symbol "A," in the parentheses.

(b) In order to provide preferential tariff treatment under the GSP to Brazil, which has been excluded from the benefits of the GSP for certain eligible articles imported from Brazil, and following my determination that a country not previously receiving such benefits should again be treated as a beneficiary developing country with respect to such articles, the Rates of Duty 1-Special subcolumn for each of the HTS provisions enumerated in Annex II(b) to this proclamation is modified: (i) by deleting from such subcolumn for such HTS provisions the symbol "A" in parentheses, and (ii) by inserting in such subcolumn the symbol "A" in lieu thereof.

(3) In order to provide that Bahrain is treated as a designated beneficiary developing country and to provide that Brazil, which has not been treated as a beneficiary developing country with respect to specified eligible articles, should be redesignated as a beneficiary developing country with respect to such articles for purposes of the GSP, general note 3(c)(ii) to the HTS is modified as provided in Annex III to this proclamation.

(4) Effective with respect to goods originating in the territory of Canada which are entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after May 1, 1990, for HTS subheading 1102.90.60, in the Rates of Duty 1-Special subcolumn, strike the symbol "(CA)" and the duty rate preceding it, and in lieu thereof insert in the parentheses following the "Free" rate of duty the symbol "CA," in alphabetical order.

(5) In order to provide for the continuation of previously proclaimed staged reductions on Canadian goods in the HTS provisions modified in Annex I to this proclamation, effective with respect to goods originating in the territory of Canada which are entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after the dates specified in Annex IV to this proclamation, the rate of duty in the HTS that is followed by the symbol "CA" in parentheses set forth in the Rates of Duty 1-Special subcolumn for each of the HTS subheadings enumerated in such Annex shall be deleted and the rate of duty provided in such Annex inserted in lieu thereof.

(6) In order to make technical rectifications in particular provisions, the HTS is modified as set forth in Annex V to this proclamation.

(7) Any provisions of previous proclamations and Executive orders inconsistent with the provisions of this proclamation are hereby superseded to the extent of such inconsistency.

(8) Except as provided for in paragraphs (4), (5), and (6) of this proclamation, the amendments made by this proclamation shall be 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, 1990.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this twenty-ninth day of June, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and ninety, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and fourteenth.

GEORGE BUSH

**Editorial note:** For the President's letter, dated June 29, 1990, to the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate on the designation of Bahrain as a beneficiary developing country, see the *Weekly Compilation of Presidential Documents* (vol. 55, p. 1026).

#### Annex I

##### Notes:

1. Bracketed matter is included to assist in the understanding of proclaimed modifications.
2. The following supersedes matter now in the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTS). The subheadings and superior descriptions are set forth in columnar format, and material in such columns is inserted in the columns of the HTS designated "Heading/Subheading", "Article Description", "Rates of Duty 1-General", "Rates of Duty 1-Special", and "Rates of Duty 2", respectively.

*Effective as to articles entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after July 1, 1990:*

Heading 5006.00.00 is superseded by:

	"Silk yarn and yarn spun from silk waste, put up for retail sale; silkworm gut:		
5006.00.10	Containing 85 percent or more by weight of silk or silk waste.....	5%	Free (A,E*,IL) 4% 40% (CA)
5006.00.90	Other .....	5%	Free (E*,IL) 4% 40%" (CA)

Annex II

Modification in the HTS of an Article's Preferential Tariff Treatment under the GSP

Effective as to articles entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after July 1, 1990:

(a) For HTS subheading 5306.90.00, in the Rates of Duty 1-Special subcolumn, delete the symbol "A," in parentheses.

(b) For the following HTS provisions, in the Rates of Duty 1-Special subcolumn, delete the symbol "A\*" and insert an "A" in lieu thereof:

2905.19.00	8408.10.00	8430.50.50	8527.31.40
2909.19.10	8408.20.90	8430.61.00	8547.90.00
2915.70.00	8408.90.90	8430.62.00	8708.10.00
2916.15.50	8409.91.92	8430.69.00	8708.21.00
2916.19.50	8409.91.99	8431.41.00	8708.29.00
2917.13.00	8409.99.91	8431.42.00	8708.31.50
2917.14.10	8409.99.92	8431.43.80	8708.39.50
2917.19.50	8411.91.90	8465.94.00	8708.40.10
2917.35.00	8411.99.90	8479.10.00	8708.40.20
2918.11.10	8421.23.00	8479.30.00	8708.40.50
3703.10.30	8421.31.00	8479.61.00	8708.50.50
3703.20.30	8429.19.00	8479.82.00	8708.50.80
3703.90.30	8429.40.00	8479.89.70	8708.60.50
4011.40.00	8429.51.50	8479.89.90	8708.60.80
4011.91.50	8429.52.50	8479.90.40	8708.70.80
4011.99.50	8429.59.50	8479.90.80	8708.80.50
4012.10.50	8430.10.00	8483.10.10	8708.91.50
7608.10.00	8430.20.00	8483.10.30	8708.93.50
7608.20.00	8430.31.00	8512.40.40	8716.90.50
7609.00.00	8430.39.00	8512.90.90	9303.30.40
8407.32.20	8430.41.00	8519.91.00	9508.00.00
8407.33.20	8430.49.80	8519.99.00	

Annex III

Modifications to General Note 3(c)(ii) of the HTS

Effective as to articles entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after July 1, 1990:

(a) General note 3(c)(ii)(A) is modified by adding "Bahrain" to the enumeration of independent countries.

(b) General note 3(c)(ii)(D) is modified—

(1) by deleting the following HTS provisions and the countries set opposite these provisions:

2905.19.00	Brazil	3703.90.30	Brazil	8408.90.90	Brazil
2909.19.10	Brazil	4011.40.00	Brazil	8409.91.92	Brazil
2915.70.00	Brazil	4011.91.50	Brazil	8409.91.99	Brazil
2916.15.50	Brazil	4011.99.50	Brazil	8409.99.91	Brazil
2916.19.50	Brazil	4012.10.50	Brazil	8409.99.92	Brazil
2917.13.00	Brazil	7608.10.00	Brazil	8411.91.90	Brazil
2917.14.10	Brazil	7608.20.00	Brazil	8411.99.90	Brazil
2917.19.50	Brazil	7609.00.00	Brazil	8421.23.00	Brazil
2917.35.00	Brazil	8407.32.20	Brazil	8421.31.00	Brazil
2918.11.10	Brazil	8407.33.20	Brazil	8429.19.00	Brazil
3703.10.30	Brazil	8408.10.00	Brazil	8429.40.00	Brazil
3703.20.30	Brazil	8408.20.90	Brazil		

8429.51.50	Brazil	8479.30.00	Brazil	8708.31.50	Brazil
8429.52.50	Brazil	8479.81.00	Brazil	8708.39.50	Brazil
8429.59.50	Brazil	8479.82.00	Brazil	8708.40.10	Brazil
8430.10.00	Brazil	8479.89.70	Brazil	8708.40.20	Brazil
8430.20.00	Brazil	8479.89.90	Brazil	8708.40.50	Brazil
8430.31.00	Brazil	8479.90.40	Brazil	8708.50.50	Brazil
8430.39.00	Brazil	8479.90.80	Brazil	8708.50.80	Brazil
8430.41.00	Brazil	8483.10.10	Brazil	8708.60.50	Brazil
8430.49.80	Brazil	8483.10.30	Brazil	8708.60.80	Brazil
8430.50.50	Brazil	8512.40.40	Brazil	8708.70.80	Brazil
8430.61.00	Brazil	8512.90.90	Brazil	8708.80.50	Brazil
8430.62.00	Brazil	8519.91.00	Brazil	8708.91.50	Brazil
8430.69.00	Brazil	8519.99.00	Brazil	8708.93.50	Brazil
8431.41.00	Brazil	8527.31.40	Brazil	8716.90.50	Brazil
8431.42.00	Brazil	8547.90.00	Brazil	9303.30.40	Brazil
8431.43.80	Brazil	8708.10.00	Brazil	9508.00.00	Brazil
8465.94.00	Brazil	8708.21.00	Brazil		
8479.10.00	Brazil	8708.29.00	Brazil		

(2) by deleting the following countries opposite the following HTS provisions:

8407.34.20	Brazil	8527.11.11	Brazil	8708.99.50	Brazil
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#### Annex IV

*Effective with respect to goods originating in the territory of Canada which are entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after the dates set forth in the following tabulation:*

For the HTS subheadings 5006.00.10 and 5006.00.90 created by Annex I of this proclamation, on or after January 1 of each of the following years, the rate of duty in the Rates of Duty 1-Special subcolumn in the HTS that is followed by the symbol "CA" in parentheses is deleted and the following rates of duty inserted in lieu thereof:

HTS Subheading	1991	192	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
5006.00.10	3.5%	3%	2.5%	2%	1.5%	1%	0.5%	Free
5006.00.90	3.5%	3%	2.5%	2%	1.5%	1%	0.5%	Free

#### Annex V

##### Technical Rectifications to the HTS

In order to make certain technical corrections, the HTS is modified as follows:

(a) *effective with respect to articles entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after January 1, 1989:*

- (1) HTS heading 9902.29.36 is modified by inserting "2922.29.25 or" after "subheading" in the article description.
- (2) HTS heading 9902.29.37 is modified by inserting "2922.29.25 or" after "subheading" in the article description.
- (3) HTS heading 9902.29.39 is modified by inserting "2922.29.25 or" after "subheading" in the article description.
- (4) HTS heading 9902.29.74 is modified by striking out "2933.90.37" from the article description and by inserting "2933.39.47" in lieu thereof.
- (5) HTS heading 9902.29.86 is modified by striking out "2935.00.45" from the article description and by inserting "2935.00.50" in lieu thereof.
- (6) HTS heading 9902.30.02 is modified by striking out "note 8" from the effective period column and by inserting "note 9" in lieu thereof.

(b) *effective with respect to articles entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after December 8, 1989,* U.S. note 5 to subchapter III of chapter 99 is modified by inserting "subheading 9903.23.14," after "9903.23.10,".

(c) *effective with respect to articles entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after April 1, 1990:*

(1) U.S. note 8 to subchapter II of chapter 99 is modified by striking out references to headings "9902.29.09", "9902.29.89", "9902.29.90", "9902.29.98", "9902.30.03", and "9902.30.06".

(2) HTS heading 9902.29.12 is deleted.

(3) HTS heading 9902.29.50 is modified by striking out "2941.90.50," from the article description.

(d) *effective with respect to articles entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after May 16, 1990,* U.S. note 5 to subchapter III of chapter 99 is modified by inserting "subheading 9903.23.18," after "9903.23.14,".

(e) *effective with respect to articles entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after July 1, 1990,* HTS heading 9902.29.86 is modified by striking out "2935.00.46" from the article description and by inserting "2935.00.50" in lieu thereof.

## Proclamation 6153 of June 29, 1990

### National Literacy Day, 1990

*By the President of the United States of America*

#### *A Proclamation*

Our future depends on education, and education begins with literacy. Millions of Americans are not sufficiently literate to function fully in our society from day to day. These individuals can be found not only in prisons and juvenile court, and on welfare and unemployment lines, but also on the job and at the heads of families—trying their best but lacking the skills they need to realize their greatest dreams for themselves and for their children.

Many American students are at risk because their families cannot support their efforts to learn. At risk, too, are the United States' strength and productivity. Because literacy is essential for workers to gain the knowledge and skills their jobs require, it is essential to keeping American business and industry competitive.

If the United States is to remain a free, strong, and prosperous country, and a force for good in the world, we must cultivate the talent and potential of all our people—in the work place, in our families, and in our communities. Indeed, that is why we have included improved literacy among our national education goals. My Administration and the Nation's Governors are working hard to ensure that, by the year 2000, every adult American will be literate and possess the knowledge and skills necessary to compete in a global economy.

Joining their Federal, State, and local governments in efforts to promote literacy are thousands of professional educators, volunteers, business and community leaders, religious organizations, and labor associations. By providing tutoring, job training, and other educational opportunities, these concerned men and women are helping undereducated Americans to discover the unlimited rewards of literacy and learning. It is fitting that we set aside a day to salute them—and their students—for their dedication and hard work. In so doing, let us also note that each of us has a stake in building a more literate America.

To focus attention on the importance of literacy, the Congress, by Senate Joint Resolution 320, has designated July 2, 1990, as "National