

## Annex IV (continued)

Effective with respect to articles both: (i) imported on or after January 1, 1976, and (ii) entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after October 1, 1996. (con.)

Section B. Modifications to general note 4 of the HTS. (con.)

## (3). General note 4(d) is modified by: (con.)

(a). deleting the following HTS provisions and the countries set out opposite such provisions: (con.)

2516.90.00	South Africa	7614.90.50	Venezuela
4104.31.20	Thailand	8107.90.00	Bulgaria
4202.22.35	Philippines	8112.91.50	Chile
4412.19.30	Russia	8213.00.60	Brazil
4412.19.40	Indonesia	8402.20.00	Colombia
4412.92.40	Indonesia	8414.90.30	Slovenia
4412.99.45	Indonesia	8450.90.40	Brazil
4421.90.10	Honduras	8483.50.40	Malaysia
4823.90.20	Philippines	8519.31.00	Malaysia
5607.30.20	Philippines	8528.12.04	Hungary
5609.00.20	Philippines	8528.21.05	Hungary
6501.00.60	Czech Republic	8528.30.10	Hungary
7002.10.20	Malaysia	8802.60.90	Russia
7109.00.00	Chile	9102.29.04	Philippines
7113.20.21	Oman	9303.90.80	Russia
7114.19.00	Chile	9401.90.15	Czech Republic
7308.20.00	Brazil	9606.29.20	Thailand
7319.20.00	Malaysia	9614.20.60	Turkey
7407.29.15	Chile	9614.20.80	Turkey
7603.10.00	Bahrain		

(b). deleting the countries set out opposite the following HTS subheadings: -

1701.99.05	Colombia	2910.20.00	Brazil
1701.99.10	Colombia	2915.34.00	Venezuela
2804.29.00	Ukraine	2915.35.00	Venezuela
2805.40.00	Russia	2917.14.10	Brazil
2825.30.00	South Africa	2917.37.00	Romania
2825.70.00	Chile	2933.40.08	Hungary
2840.11.00	Turkey	2938.10.00	Brazil
2843.21.00	Chile	7202.21.10	Macedonia, Former
2903.14.00	Brazil		Yugoslav Republic of
2903.23.00	Brazil	7403.12.00	Peru
2907.15.10	Russia		

## Proclamation 6943 of October 17, 1996

## Honoring the Filipino Veterans of World War II

*By the President of the United States of America*

*A Proclamation*

During the dark days of World War II, nearly 100,000 soldiers of the Philippine Commonwealth Army provided a ray of hope in the Pacific as they fought alongside United States and Allied forces for 4 long years to defend and reclaim the Philippine Islands from Japanese aggression. Thousands more Filipinos joined U.S. Armed Forces immediately after the war and served in occupational duty throughout the Pacific Theater. For their extraordinary sacrifices in defense of democracy and liberty, we owe them our undying gratitude.

Valiant Filipino soldiers fought, died, and suffered in some of the bloodiest battles of World War II, defending beleaguered Bataan and Corregidor, and thousands of Filipino prisoners of war endured the infamous Bataan Death March and years of captivity. Their many guerrilla actions slowed the Japanese takeover of the Western Pacific region and allowed U.S. forces the time to build and prepare for the allied counterattack on Japan. Filipino troops fought side-by-side with U.S. forces to secure their island nation as the strategic base from which the final effort to defeat Japan was launched.

This month, as we mark the anniversary of General MacArthur's return to the Philippines, we acknowledge the important role Filipino soldiers played in turning back aggression, defending liberty, and preserving democracy, and we extend to them our abiding thanks.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM J. CLINTON, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the United States, do hereby proclaim October 20, 1996, as a day Honoring the Filipino Veterans of World War II. I urge all Americans to recall the courage, sacrifice, and loyalty of Filipino veterans of World War II and honor them for their contributions to our freedom.

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

WILLIAM J. CLINTON

#### **Proclamation 6944 of October 21, 1996**

#### **National Forest Products Week, 1996**

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

For much of our Nation's history, forests, like other natural resources, were considered inexhaustible. In this century, we began to recognize that forests are a precious birthright for all Americans—not only for us and for our children, but also for future generations. As part of this recognition, we observe National Forest Products Week.

Forests are an important source of fuel and building materials, and they provide many valuable jobs. They also offer us unmatched recreational environments, as well as a spiritual refuge from city life. They provide essential habitat for myriad species of plants and animals, including hundreds that are endangered or threatened. Increasingly, their trees, shrubs, herbs, fungi, and microorganisms are yielding new and wondrous medicinal products and foods. And thanks to better planning and resource management that replace harvested lands with new forests, thousands of Americans will continue to earn their livelihood from our Nation's forests, even as we protect them. Today, the same citizens who are reaping the forests' bounty are personally and professionally involved in efforts to preserve it for future generations.