

shipped into United States territories and foreign trade zones shall become subject to the fees imposed pursuant to paragraphs 3(a)(1)(i)–(iii).”

19 USC 1862  
note.

Section 3. Subparagraph (1) of paragraph (a) of Section 3 is amended by adding clause (x) to read as follows:

“(x) The Administrator shall by regulation reduce the fees payable by importers pursuant to paragraphs 3(a)(1)(i)–(iii) with respect to crude oil, unfinished oils, and finished products imported into Puerto Rico, or imported into Districts I–V and shipped to Puerto Rico, with or without further processing, and not shipped to Districts I–V, as crude oil, unfinished oils, or finished products, by the amount of any excise tax or other levy imposed and collected by the Government of Puerto Rico on such materials, *Provided* that refunds from or reductions in such excise tax or other levy are authorized in the same manner as are authorized with respect to payments prescribed by paragraphs 3(a)(1)(i)–(iii), *Provided further* that with respect to shipments to Puerto Rico from Districts I–V such shipments shall be deemed attributable to imported crude.”

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this fourth day of March, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred seventy-five, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and ninety-ninth.

GERALD R. FORD

Proclamation 4356

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March 20, 1975

Earth Day, 1975

*By the President of the United States of America*

### A Proclamation

The earth will continue to regenerate its life sources only as long as we and all the peoples of the world do our part to conserve its natural resources. It is a responsibility which every human being shares.

Energy problems have heightened our growing awareness of the interdependence of our natural resources. We must work together to solve the environmental issues associated with the proper use and preservation of those resources.

Through voluntary action, each of us can join in building a productive land in harmony with nature.

By a joint resolution, the Congress has pointed out the need to continue our environmental education and to promote a greater understanding of the environmental problems facing America.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GERALD R. FORD, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim Friday, March 21, 1975, as Earth Day. I call upon all concerned citizens and government officials to observe this day with appropriate ceremonies and activities. I ask that special attention be given to personal voluntary activities and educational efforts directed toward protecting and enhancing our lifegiving environment.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this twentieth day of March, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred seventy-five, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred ninety-ninth.

GERALD R. FORD

Proclamation 4357

March 25, 1975

### Armed Forces Day

*By the President of the United States of America*

### A Proclamation

For nearly two hundred years, in times of war and peace, the Armed Forces of the United States have served the Nation with courage and devotion. In this country, and throughout the world, those who wear the uniforms of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps and Coast Guard are respected for their patriotic service.

It is fitting and proper that we set aside one day each year to pay tribute to these men and women.

NOW, THEREFORE I, GERALD R. FORD, President of the United States of America and Commander in Chief of the Armed Forces of the United States, continuing the precedent of my five immediate predecessors in this Office, do hereby proclaim the third Saturday of each May as Armed Forces Day.