Staged Reduction of Rates of Duty on Certain Products To Carry Out Trade Agreements With Indonesia, Trinidad and Tobago and With the Countries Forming the Cartagena Agreement

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

1. I have determined, pursuant to section 101(a) of the Trade Act of 1974 (the Trade Act) (19 U.S.C. 2111(a)), that certain existing duties of the United States are unduly burdening and restricting the foreign trade of the United States and that one or more of the purposes of the Trade Act would be promoted by entering into the trade agreements identified in the third recital of this proclamation.

2. Sections 131(a), 132, and 133, 134, 135, and 161(b) of the Trade Act (19 U.S.C. 2151(a), 2152, 2153, 2154, 2155 and 2211(b)) and section 4(c) of Executive Order No. 11846 of March 27, 1975, have been complied with.

3. Pursuant to Title I of the Trade Act (19 U.S.C. 2111 et seq.), I have, through my duly empowered representative, entered into product-specific trade agreements with Indonesia, on November 29, 1979, with Trinidad and Tobago on December 19, 1979, and with the countries forming the Cartagena Agreement on December 14, 1979, pursuant to which United States rates of duty on certain products would be modified as hereinafter proclaimed and as provided for in the annexes to this proclamation, in exchange for certain measures which will benefit United States interests.

4. In order to implement the trade agreements referred to in the third recital of this proclamation, it is necessary to modify the Tariff Schedules of the United States (TSUS) (19 U.S.C. 1202) as provided for in the annexes to this proclamation, attached hereto and made a part hereof.

5. Pursuant to section 655(a) of the Trade Agreements Act of 1979 (93 Stat. 295), I have determined that, in the case of bitters containing spirits classified under item 168.12 of the TSUS, adequate reciprocal concessions have been received, under the trade agreement identified in the third recital of this proclamation which was entered into under the Trade Act of 1974, with Trinidad and Tobago, for the application of the rate of duty appearing in rate column numbered 1 for such item on January 1, 1979, or the comparable item determined on a proof gallon basis.

6. Each modification of existing duty proclaimed herein which provides with respect to an article for a decrease in duty below the limitation specified in section 101(b)(i) of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2111(b)(i)) is authorized by one or more of the following provisions or statutes:

(a) Section 101(b)(2) of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2111(b)(2)), by virtue of the fact that the rate of duty existing on January 1, 1975, applicable to the article was not more than 5 percent as valorem (or ad valorem equivalent);

(b) Section 109 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2119(b)), by virtue of the fact that I have determined, pursuant to that section, that the decrease authorized by that section will simplify the computation of the amount of duty imposed with respect to the article; and
(c) Section 855(a) of the Trade Agreements Act of 1979 (93 Stat. 295) by virtue of the authority in such section for specified concessions based on reciprocity.

7. Pursuant to the Trade Act, I determine that the modifications or continuances of existing duties hereinafter proclaimed are required or appropriate to carry out the trade agreements identified in the third recital of this proclamation.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JIMMY CARTER, President of the United States of America, acting under the authority vested in me by the Constitution and the statutes, including sections 101, 105, 109, and 604 of the Trade Act (19 U.S.C. 2111, 2115, 2119, and 2483), and Titles V and VIII of the Trade Agreements Act of 1979 (93 Stat. 250) do proclaim, subject to any applicable provisions of the agreements identified in the third recital of this proclamation and of the United States law, that—

(1) The TSUS is modified as provided in Annexes I and II to this proclamation.

(2) Each of the modifications to the TSUS made by this proclamation shall be effective as to articles entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on and after January 1, 1980.

(3) The rate of duty applicable to TSUS item 168.12 has been reduced under section 101 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2111), as indicated in Annex II, from the rate of duty appearing in rate column numbered 1 on January 1, 1979, for the comparable item determined on a proof gallon basis.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this fourth day of January, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and eighty, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and fourth.

JIMMY CARTER

Annex I

Notes:
1. A rate of duty specifically set forth in this Annex which does not reflect a concession granted in the Trade Agreement with Indonesia is enclosed in brackets. Additional bracketed matter is included to assist in the understanding of proclaimed modifications.

2. The items and superior descriptions in this annex are set forth in columnar form, and material in such columns is inserted in the columns designated, "Item", "Articles", "Rates of Duty 1", and "Rates of Duty 2", respectively, in the Tariff Schedules of the United States.

Subject to the above notes and to the insertion, as indicated herein, of the appropriate rates of duty set forth in Annex II to this proclamation, the Tariff Schedules of the United States are modified as follows:

Schedule 1. Part 13

1. Item 170.65 is superseded by:

   "Cigarettes:

   170.63 Containing clove [See Annex II] [$4.50 per lb. + 25% ad val.]

   170.64 Other [See Annex II] [$1.06 per lb. + 5% ad val.]

   [See Annex II] [$4.50 per lb. + 25% ad val.]

Schedule 1. Part 15, Subpart B

2. Schedule 1, part 5A is modified by adding the following new item in numerical sequence:

   "182.49 Shrimp chips [See Annex II] [20% ad val.]

JIMMY CARTER
George Meany

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

At a time when freedom is once again under challenge around the world, we will remember George Meany. We will remember him as the symbol of a vibrant free trade union movement. We will remember him as the champion of the highest values of our democracy. In a career that exceeded a half century, George Meany changed the shape of America for the better in hundreds of ways, great and small, through the force of his character and through the integrity of his beliefs.

The modern American labor movement—strong, united and free—is George Meany's enduring legacy to our Nation. It is proper and fitting that we honor his memory today and that we remember his many contributions to our Nation.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JIMMY CARTER, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces (38 U.S.C. 178) do hereby proclaim that, as a mark of respect to the memory of George Meany and his numerous contributions to our Nation, the flag of the United States shall be flown at half-staff on all buildings, grounds and naval vessels of the Federal government in the District of Columbia and throughout the United States and its Territories and possessions until his interment.

I also direct that the flag shall be flown at half-staff for the same length of time at all United States embassies, legations, consular offices, and other facilities abroad, including all military facilities and naval vessels and stations.

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