

MALACAÑANG

Manila

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 147

MODIFYING THE RATES OF DUTY ON CERTAIN IMPORTED ARTICLES AS PROVIDED UNDER THE TARIFF AND CUSTOMS CODE OF 1978, AS AMENDED, IN ORDER TO IMPLEMENT THE 10% MARGIN OF PREFERENCE (MOP) GRANTED BY THE PHILIPPINES UNDER THE AGREEMENT ON THE GLOBAL SYSTEM OF TRADE PREFERENCES AMONG DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AS SET FORTH IN THE PHILIPPINE SCHEDULE OF CONCESSIONS ANNEXED TO THE AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, the Philippines, along with 47 developing countries, is a participant in the Agreement on the Global System of Trade Preferences (GSTP) Among Developing Countries signed in Belgrade, Yugoslavia, on 13 April 1988;

WHEREAS, the GSTP aims to promote and sustain mutual trade, foster collective self-reliance and enhance economic cooperation among developing member-countries of the Group of 77 through exchanges of trade concessions;

WHEREAS, the participation of the Philippines in the First Round of Trade Negotiations under the GSTP following its launching during the GSTP Ministerial Meeting held in Brazil on 19-23 May 1986 and its conclusion at the Belgrade Ministerial Meeting in April 1988 resulted in an exchange of direct tariff concessions with South Korea and India;

WHEREAS, the Philippine concessions have not been implemented pending the Philippine Government's ratification of the Agreement and the deposit of the instrument of ratification with the Agreement's depository, the Government of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia;

WHEREAS, the Agreement on the Global System of Trade Preferences Among Developing Countries was finally ratified by the Philippine Senate on 02 September 1991 and the instrument of ratification subsequently deposited with the depository on 24 February 1992;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, pursuant to the powers vested in me under Section 402 of the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978, as amended, do hereby order that:

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SECTION 1. The articles specifically listed in Annex "A" as classified under Section 104 of the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978, as amended, shall be accorded a 10% Margin of Preference (MOP) as shown in Column 9 of said Annex "A". Accordingly, such articles shall be subject to the Preferential Tariffs indicated in Columns 10-14 of Annex "A".

SEC. 2. In the event that any subsequent changes are made in the basic Philippine rate of duty on any of the articles listed in Annex "A", such articles shall be automatically accorded the corresponding MOP indicated in Column 9 of said Annex "A".

SEC. 3. The MOP indicated in Column 9 of Annex "A" shall apply only to imports from participants in the Agreement on the GSTP as defined in Article 1 (a) thereof.


SEC. 4. After the effective date of this Order, all the above-described articles entered or withdrawn from warehouses in the Philippines for consumption shall be subject to qualification under the Rules of Origin as prescribed in the Agreement on the GSTP.

SEC. 5. This Order shall take effect on 1 January 1994.


Done in the City of Manila, this ^{27th} day of DECEMBER in the year of our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Three.

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, located to the right of the date. The signature appears to be 'R. Ramos'.

By the President:



TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

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ARTICLES GRANTED MARGINS OF PREFERENCE BY THE PHILIPPINES UNDER THE AGREEMENT
ON THE GLOBAL SYSTEM OF TRADE PREFERENCES AMONG DEVELOPING COUNTRIES (GSTP)

CCCN NO.	HS No.	Description	Rate of Duty					Margin:	GSTP Preferential Tariff				
			24 March:1 1992	July:1 1992	July:1 1993	July:1 1994	July:1 1995	of Prefer- (MOP)	24 March:1 1992	July:1 1992	July:1 1993	July:1 1994	July:1 1995
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)
31.04 300 ex 3104.30 00		Potassium sulphate containing not more than 52% by weight of K ₂ O	Free	Free	Free	Free	Free	10%	Free	Free	Free	Free	Free
40.02 300	4002.20 10	Butadiene rubber (BR), in primary forms	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	10%	2.7%	2.7%	2.7%	2.7%	2.7%
ex 84.06 390	8408.20 20	Diesel and semi-diesel engines for power tillers	Free	Free	Free	Free	Free	10%	Free	Free	Free	Free	Free
	ex 8408.20 90	Diesel and semi-diesel engines for other tractors	20%	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	18%	9%	9%	9%	9%