AUSTRALIAN CUSTOMS NOTICE NO. 2006/41

Special Safeguards on Canned Pineapple from Thailand

By Notice published in the Commonwealth Gazette on 31/08/2006, the Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry has imposed special safeguards on imports of canned pineapple from Thailand. The provisions relate to canned pineapple classified under Tariff Heading 2008.20.00 (Statistical codes 26 and 27).

The effect of the provisions is that instead of being free of duty, all canned pineapple imported from Thailand will attract the general rate of duty of 5% from 01/09/2006 until 31 December 2006 (Preference Scheme “GEN” in ICS), unless “in-transit” provisions apply (Preference Scheme “THSS” in ICS). Please also refer to **ACN 2005/27** for more information on claiming preferential rates of duty in the ICS.

Importation occurs upon "the bringing of goods into a port with an intention to land them at that port, or an action which actually results in the goods being landed”.

To qualify for “in-transit” provisions, the goods must meet the requirements of being Thai originating, have a valid Thai Certificate of Origin at time of importation, and be exported from Thailand on or before 31/08/2006, under a contract entered into on or before 31/08/2006.

The safeguards will cease to apply to goods imported on or after 1 January 2007, but may be re-imposed if the limit of 6,706,725 litres is reached in 2007. Customs will provide further advice to importers if that occurs.

Inquiries concerning this notice may be directed to [origin@customs.gov.au](mailto:origin@customs.gov.au), or to the Valuation and Origin Section on telephone number (02) 6275 6556, or fax number (02) 6275 6477.

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