AUSTRALIAN CUSTOMS NOTICE NO. 2007/50

Revocation of Tariff Concession Orders for Certain Finished Textile Products

Schedule 2 of the *Customs Regulations 1926* has been amended to list certain finished textile products, including bed linen, toilet and kitchen linen. Schedule 2 lists those goods, by reference to their tariff classification, for which a Tariff Concession Order (TCO) cannot be granted. These amendments to the Regulations will take effect on and from Thursday

4 October 2007.

Attachment A to this ACN lists the tariff classifications affected by this change.

In a number of cases, there are existing TCOs in force in relation to the finished textile products. These TCOs are listed in Attachment B to this ACN. Under subsection 269SJ(2) of the *Customs Act 1901*, these TCOs will be deemed to be revoked on the day the amendments take effect. Importers of the goods covered by these TCOs will be required to pay the general rate of duty from that date.

This change has occurred as part of the Government’s Textile, Clothing and Footwear (TCF) Post-2005 Assistance Package. The amendments will restore the integrity of the domestic assistance plan and also ensure that industry participants are treated equitably.

A revision of the Schedule of Concessional Instruments Part I will be issued as soon as possible.

Further information on the TCF Post-2005 Assistance Package may be obtained from the Manager, TCF Policy Group, Department of Industry, Tourism and Resources, Canberra on telephone (02) 6213 6868. Customs inquiries may be directed to the Manager, Tariff Policy, Australian Customs Service on telephone (02) 6275 6486

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**ATTACHMENT A**

# List of tariff classifications for finished textile goods that are to be included on the Excluded Goods Schedule

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| Tariff Classification | Description |
| 6302.10.00 | Bed linen, knitted or crocheted |
| 6302.21.00 | Other bed linen printed, of cotton |
| 6302.22.00 | Other bed linen printed, of man-made fibres |
| 6302.29.00 | Other bed linen printed, of other textile materials |
| 6302.31.00 | Other bed linen, of cotton |
| 6302.32.00 | Other bed linen, of man-made fibres |
| 6302.39.00 | Other bed linen, of other textile materials |
| 6302.60.00 | Toilet linen and kitchen linen, of terry towelling or similar terry fabric of cotton |
| 6302.91.20 | Goods, NSA, as follows (a) face washers; (b) towels |
| 6303.12.10 | Synthetic fibre curtains, knitted or crocheted |
| 6303.19.10 | Other textile material curtains, knitted or crocheted |
| 6303.91.10 | Cotton goods as follows (a) bed valances [ruffles]; (b) curtains |
| 6303.92.10 | Synthetic fibre goods as follows (a) bed valances [ruffles]; (b) curtains |
| 6303.99.10 | Other textile material goods as follows (a) bed valances [ruffles]; (b) curtains |

**ATTACHMENT B**

# List of Tariff Concession Orders to be Revoked

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| Tariff Classification | Tariff Concession Order | Tariff Concession Description |
| 6302.10.00 | 9313792 | PROTECTORS MATTRESS, autoclave treatable, having ALL of the following:   1. base fabric of knitted cotton and polyester; 2. cotton loop pile top surface area; 3. polyvinyl chloride coating over NOT more than 70% of the lower surface area; 4. elasticised knitted polyester sidepieces |
|  | 9406826 | MATTRESS PROTECTORS, waterproof, made of knitted cotton towelling backed with PVC, with elastic straps, in ANY of the following sizes:   1. 56cm x 40cm; 2. 91cm x 56cm; 3. 126cm x 76cm |
|  | 9509790 | PROTECTORS, MATTRESS, BASSINET OR COT, having ALL  the following:   1. area NOT exceeding 1 square metre; 2. 100% knitted cotton upper towelling to a maximum of 270 gsm; 3. laminated 100% PVC backing; 4. fitted with 2 elastic straps |
|  | 0606019 | PROTECTORS, MATTRESS, waterproof, knitted cotton terry fabric backed with polyurethane |
|  | 0607164 | PROTECTORS, MATTRESS, COT, having BOTH of the following:   1. knitted terry fabric with woven polyester backing; 2. hook loop fastenings |
| 6302.31.00 | 0315415 | BED SHEETS, fitted, cotton bandage material |
|  | 0612794 | DRAWSHEETS, 100% cotton, having BOTH of the following:   1. width NOT less than 117 cm and NOT greater than 123 cm; 2. length NOT less than 176 cm but NOT greater than 184 cm |
|  | 0413474 | MATTRESS PROTECTORS, comprising ALL of the following:   1. cotton chenille upper; 2. waterproof nylon lining; 3. elasticised edges AND/OR elastic straps |
| 6302.32.00 | 9511898 | COVER SHEETS, polyurethane coated nylon |
|  | 0315414 | BED SHEETS, LOOP PILE FASTENING |
| 6302.60.00 | 9510298 | KITCHEN SET, consisting of the following:   1. tea towel, printed, cotton velour; 2. oven mitt, padded |
|  | 0404007 | HAIR WRAPS, cotton, comprising ALL of the following:   1. hood with elasticised securing loop; 2. depth NOT exceeding 25 cm; 3. length NOT exceeding 68 cm |
|  | 0613545 | TOWELS, PONCHO, HOODED |