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UNITED STATES – CONTINUED DUMPING AND SUBSIDY OFFSET ACT OF 2000

Communication from the European Union

The following communication, dated 22 April 2010, from the delegation of the European Union to the Chairman of the Dispute Settlement Body, is circulated at the request of that delegation.

On 26 November 2004, the Dispute Settlement Body ("DSB") granted authorization to the European Communities to suspend concessions and related obligations under the General Agreement on Tariff and Trade 1994 ("GATT 1994") in accordance with the decision of the Arbitrator in *United States - Continued Dumping and Subsidies Offset Act of 2000*. The authorization was made pursuant to the European Communities' request (WT/DS217/39) made under Article 22.7 of the Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes ("DSU"). In that request, the European Communities undertook to notify the DSB every year the list of products on which the additional import duty would apply, prior to the entry into force of a level of suspension of concessions.

On 29 April 2005, the European Communities notified the DSB that it was suspending, as of 1 May 2005, the application of concessions and related obligations under GATT 1994 on imports of certain products originating in the United States of America (WT/DS217/47). The list of products subject to this suspension of concessions was modified on 1 May 2006 (WT/DS217/49), on 1 May 2007 (WT/DS217/51), on 1 May 2008 (WT/DS217/53), on 1 May 2009 (WT/DS217/55) and will be modified again on 1 May 2010. The relevant Commission Regulation (EU) No 305/2010 of 14 April 2010¹ will add 19 products classified under 19 codes of the European Union's tariff and statistical nomenclature to the list of products subject to an *ad valorem* additional duty of 15% when originating in the United States of America. The updated list is attached. The suspension, which will apply as from 1 May 2010, covers, over one year, a total value of trade that does not exceed USD 95.83 million.

USD 95.83 million is the European Union's current level of authorization established through arbitration under Article 22.6 of the DSU. It represents 72 per cent of USD 133,095,793 collected from the European Union' exports and disbursed to US companies in the distribution under the *Continued Dumping and Subsidy Offset Act of 2000* for the most recent year for which data are available. The amount of relevant disbursements was identified using the <u>CDSOA Annual Report for</u> Fiscal Year 2009, published by US Customs and Border Protection on12 October 2009².

¹ Official Journal of the European Union L 94 of 15 April 2010, p.15

² http://www.cbp.gov/xp/cgov/trade/priority_trade/add_cvd/cont_dump/cdsoa_09/report/fy09_annual_report.xml

The European Union kindly requests that the Secretariat circulate this notification to the Members of the DSB.

Products that would be subject to a 15% additional import duty as from 1 May 2010

The products on which the 15% additional import duty would apply are those classified under the listed eight-digit CN codes, as provided in annex I to Council Regulation (EEC) No. 2658/87 on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the Common Customs Tariff as amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 493/2005 (OJ L 82, 31.3.2005, p. 1). The product descriptions hereunder are given for information purpose only.

Subject to the 15% additional import duty since 1 May 2005	CN codes	Description of products
	4820 10 50	Diaries with calendars, of paper or paperboard
	6204 63 11	Women's or girls' trousers and breeches, of synthetic fibres, industrial and occupational (excl. knitted or crocheted and bib and brace overalls)
	6204 69 18	Women's or girls' trousers and breeches, of artificial fibres (not of cut corduroy, of denim or knitted or crocheted and excl. industrial and occupational clothing, bib and brace overalls, briefs and track suit bottoms)
	6204 63 90	Women's or girls' shorts of synthetic fibres (excl. knitted or crocheted, panties and swimwear)
	6104 63 00	Women's or girls' trousers, bib and brace overalls, breeches and shorts (other than swimwear), knitted or crocheted, of synthetic fibres
	6203 43 11	Men's or boys' trousers and breeches of synthetic fibres, industrial and occupational (excl. knitted or crocheted and bib and brace overalls)
	6103 43 00	Men's or boys' trousers, bib and brace overalls, breeches and shorts (other than swimwear), knitted or crocheted, of synthetic fibres
	6204 63 18	Women's or girls' trousers and breeches, of synthetic fibres (not of cut corduroy, of denim or knitted or crocheted and excl. industrial and occupational clothing, bib and brace overalls, briefs and track suit bottoms)
	6203 43 19	Men's or boys' trousers and breeches of synthetic fibres (excl. knitted or crocheted, industrial and occupational, bib and brace overalls and underpants)
	6204 69 90	Women's or girls' trousers, bib and brace overalls, breeches and shorts of textile materials (excl. of wool, fine animal hair, cotton or artificial fibres, knitted or crocheted, panties and swimwear)
	6203 43 90	Men's or boys' shorts of synthetic fibres (excl. knitted or crocheted, underpants and swimwear)
	0710 40 00	Sweet corn, uncooked or cooked by steaming or by boiling in water, frozen
	9003 19 30	Frames and mountings for spectacles, goggles or the like, of base metal
	8705 10 00	Crane lorries (excl. breakdown lorries)
	9406 00 38	Buildings, prefabricated, whether or not complete or already assembled, made entirely or mainly of iron or steel (excl. Mobile homes and greenhouses)
	6101 30 10	Men's or boys' overcoats, car-coats, capes, cloaks and similar articles of man-made fibres, knitted or crocheted
	6102 30 10	Women's or girls' overcoats, car-coats, capes, cloaks and similar articles of man-made fibres, knitted or crocheted
	6201 12 10	Men's or boys' overcoats, raincoats, car-coats, capes, cloaks and similar articles, of cotton, of a weight per garment of <= 1 kg (excl. knitted or crocheted)

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	6201 13 10	Men's or boys' overcoats, raincoats, car-coats, capes, cloaks and similar articles, of man-made fibres, of a weight per garment of <= 1 kg (excl. knitted or crocheted)
	6102 30 90	Women's or girls' anoraks, incl. ski-jackets, wind-cheaters, wind-jackets and similar articles, of man-made fibres, knitted or crocheted (excl. suits, ensembles, jackets, blazers, dresses, skirts, divided skirts, trousers, bib and brace overalls)
	6201 92 00	Men's or boys' anoraks, incl. ski-jackets, wind-cheaters, wind-jackets and similar articles, of cotton (excl. knitted or crocheted, suits, ensembles, jackets, blazers and trousers)
	6101 30 90	Men's or boys' anoraks, incl. ski-jackets, wind-cheaters, wind-jackets and similar articles of man-made fibres, knitted or crocheted (excl. suits, ensembles, jackets, blazers, bib and brace overalls and trousers)
	6202 93 00	Women's or girls' anoraks, incl. ski-jackets, wind-cheaters, wind-jackets and similar articles, of man-made fibres (excl. knitted or crocheted, suits, ensembles, jackets, blazers and trousers)
	6202 11 00	Women's or girls' overcoats, raincoats, car-coats, capes, cloaks and similar articles, of wool or fine animal hair (excl. knitted or crocheted)
	6201 13 90	Men's or boys' overcoats, raincoats, car-coats, capes, cloaks and similar articles, of man-made fibres, of a weight per garment of > 1 kg (excl. knitted or crocheted)
	6201 93 00	Men's or boys' anoraks, incl. ski-jackets, wind-cheaters, wind-jackets and similar articles, of man-made fibres (excl. knitted or crocheted, suits, ensembles, jackets, blazers and trousers)
ct to th	6201 12 90	Men's or boys' overcoats, raincoats, car-coats, capes, cloaks and similar articles, of cotton, of a weight per garment of > 1 kg (excl. knitted or crocheted)
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	6104 43 00	Women's or girls' dresses of synthetic fibres, knitted or crocheted (excl. petticoats)
	6204 49 10	Women's or girls' dresses of silk or waste silk (excl. knitted or crocheted and petticoats)
	6204 44 00	Women's or girls' dresses of artificial fibres (excl. knitted or crocheted and petticoats)
	6204 43 00	Women's or girls' dresses of synthetic fibres (excl. knitted or crocheted and petticoats)
	6203 42 31	Men's or boys' trousers and breeches of cotton denim (excl. knitted or crocheted, industrial and occupational, bib and brace overalls and underpants)