Amendment of the Harmonized System nomenclature for ozone-depleting substances

1. On 26 June 2009 the Customs Cooperation Council of the World Customs Organization adopted a recommendation to the Contracting Parties to the International Convention on the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System that the Nomenclature of the Harmonized System be amended in a number of respects. The recommended amendments include changes under heading 29.03 of the Nomenclature relating to a number of ozone-depleting substances. Insofar as they relate to heading 29.03 the recommended amendments read as follows:

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"Subheadings 2903.4 to 2903.69.
Delete and substitute:

" - Halogenated derivatives of acyclic hydrocarbons containing two or more different halogens:
2903.71 -- Chlorodifluormethane
2903.72 -- Dichlorotrifluoroethanes
2903.73 -- Dichlorofluoroethanes
2903.74 -- Chlorodifluoroethanes
2903.75 -- Dichloropentafluoropropanes
2903.76 -- Bromochlorodifluormethane, bromotrifluoromethane and dibromotetrafluoroethanes
2903.77 -- Other, perhalogenated only with fluorine and chlorine
2903.78 -- Other perhalogenated derivatives
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2903.79 -- Other

- Halogenated derivatives of cyclanic, cyclenic or cycloterpenic hydrocarbons:

2903.81 -- 1,2,3,4,5,6-Hexachlorocyclohexane (HCH (ISO)), including lindane (ISO, INN)

2903.82 -- Aldrin (ISO), chlordane (ISO) and heptachlor (ISO)

2903.89 -- Other

- Halogenated derivatives of aromatic hydrocarbons:

2903.91 -- Chlorobenzene, o-dichlorobenzene and p-dichlorobenzene

2903.92 -- Hexachlorobenzene (ISO) and DDT (ISO) (clofenotane (INN), 1,1,1-

trichloro-2,2-bis(p-chlorophenyl)ethane)

2903.99 – Other.”

2. Under Article 16 of the Harmonized System Convention, Contracting Parties have six months to object to any amendment recommended by the Council. The amendments above (excluding those objected to during the six-month timeframe) will enter into force for all Contracting Parties to the Harmonized System Convention on 1 January 2012.