

**NOTICE 1585 OF 2003****BOARD OF TARIFFS AND TRADE****CUSTOMS AND EXCISE TARIFF APPLICATIONS: LIST 10/2003**

The following applications concerning the Customs and Excise Tariff have been received by the Board on Tariffs and Trade. Any objections to or comments on these representations should be submitted to the Chairperson, Board on Tariffs and Trade, Private Bag X753, Pretoria, 0001, within six weeks of the date of this notice. Attention is drawn to the fact that the rates of duty mentioned in the applications are those requested by the applicants and that the Board may, depending on its findings, recommend lower or higher rates of duty.

**CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION**

*Please note that if any information is considered to be confidential then a non-confidential version of the information must be submitted, simultaneously with the confidential version. In submitting a non-confidential version the following rules are strictly applicable and parties must indicate:*

- ☐ *Where confidential information has been omitted and the nature of such information;*
- ☐ *A summary of the confidential information which permits a reasonable understanding of the substance of the confidential information; and*
- ☐ *In exceptional cases, where information is not susceptible to summary, reasons must be submitted to this effect.*

*This rule applies to all parties and to all correspondence with and submissions to the Board, which unless indicated to be confidential and filed together with a non-confidential version, will be made available to other interested parties.*

**If a party considers that any document of another party, on which that party is submitting representations, does not comply with the above rules and that such deficiency affects that party's ability to make meaningful representations, the details of the deficiency and the reasons why that party's rights are so affected must be submitted to the Board in writing forthwith (and at the latest 14 days prior to the date on which that party's submission is due). Failure to do so timeously will seriously hamper the proper administration of the investigation, and such party will not be able to subsequently claim an inability to make meaningful representations on the basis of the failure of such other party to meet the requirements.**

**Reduction in the rate of duty on:**

Other paper and paperboard, not containing fibres obtained by a mechanical process or of which not more than 10 per cent by mass of the total fibre content consists of such fibres, by the creation of a separate tariff subheading under tariff heading 4802.5, which reads as follows: "Of a mass of not less than 25 grams and not more than 35 grams per square metre, in rolls and sheets".

[BTT Ref: T5/2/4/2/1 (030034) Mr A Zietsman Tel. (012) 428 7755, Fax. (012) 428 7744]

**Applicant:**

Bible Society of South Africa, PO Box 6215, Roggebaai, 8012.

The following is an extract from the applicant's letter stating the reason for the application: "These rebate provisions have now been withdrawn and have therefore led to the current 6% duty on the importing of such paper. We have been importing this thinprint paper for almost 30 years because it is not manufactured in SA and it cannot be substituted with any locally produced paper."

**Increase in the rate of duty on:**

Poultry products, classifiable under tariff subheadings 0207.12, 0207.14.20 and 0207.14.90, as follows

Tariff subheading	Description	Current duty	Requested duty
02.07	Meat and edible offal, of the poultry of tariff Heading 01.05, fresh, chilled or frozen,		
0207.1	Of fowls of the species <i>Gallus domesticus</i> :		
0207.12	Not cut in pieces, frozen	27%	40%
0207.14	Cuts and offal, frozen:		
0207.14.20	Offal	free	220c/kg
0207.14.90	Other	220c/kg	440c/kg

[BTT Ref. T5/2/4/2/1 (030022) Mrs R Theart Tel. (012) 428 7746, Fax.: (012) 428 7744]

**Applicant:**

Southern African Poultry Association, PO Box 1201, Honeydew.

The reason given for the application is as follows:

The SACU market is being flooded with imports, which are continuing beyond the festive season at an annualised level of 20 per cent of domestic production and is harming the industry. Furthermore, the specific duty (R2.20) owing to inflation and currency movements over the six years it has been in existence, has decreased in value, while the exchange rate at the recent year ends has had a dramatic effect on feed and input costs. Brazil is currently a serious threat owing to low price input cost, and currency devaluation.

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