

NOTICE 227 OF 2012**INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION COMMISSION****CUSTOMS TARIFF APPLICATIONS****LIST 04/2012**

The International Trade Administration Commission (herein after referred to as ITAC or the Commission) has received the following applications concerning the Customs Tariff. Any objection to or comments on these representations should be submitted to the Chief Commissioner, ITAC, Private Bag X753, Pretoria, 0001. Attention is drawn to the fact that the rate of duty mentioned in these applications is that requested by the applicant and that the Commission may, depending on its findings, recommend a lower or higher rate of duty.

CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

The submission of confidential information to the Commission in connection with customs tariff applications is governed by section 3 of the Tariff Investigations Regulations, which regulations can be found on ITAC's website at <http://www.itac.org.za/documents/R.397.pdf>.

These regulations require 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 regulations are strictly applicable and require parties to indicate:

- ☐ *Each instance where confidential information has been omitted and the reasons for confidentiality;*
- ☐ *A summary of the confidential information which permits other interested parties 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 Commission, which unless clearly indicated to be confidential, will be made available to other interested parties.

The Commission will disregard any information indicated to be confidential that is not accompanied by a proper non-confidential summary or the aforementioned reasons.

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 commission 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.

1. CREATION OF A REBATE OF DUTY ON:

Specific fittings and mechanisms classifiable under tariff headings 8305.10 and 8305.90, used in the manufacture of loose-leaf binders or files as follows:

310.06 Industry: Binders (loose-leaf or other), folders, file covers and files, of paper or paperboard

- *83.05/01.04 Lever arch binding mechanisms for the manufacture of lever arch files by means of permanently riveting the mechanism to the file form; compression bars with a length of 122 mm or more designed for use with lever arch mechanisms and slotted fittings for lever arch files with an opening of 41,5 mm or more designed to hook onto the arch of the mechanism slotted through the file form*
- *83.05/02.04 Ring binding mechanisms with a diameter of 25 mm or more for the manufacture of ring-binder files by means of permanently riveting the mechanism to the file form*
- *83.05/03.04 Clip mechanisms with a length of 110 mm or more for the manufacture of clipboard files or binders by means of permanently riveting the mechanism to the file or binder form*

307.06 Industry: Binders (loose-leaf or other), folders, file covers and files, of plastics

- *83.05/01.04 Lever arch binding mechanisms for the manufacture of lever arch files by means of permanently riveting the mechanism to the file form; compression bars with a length of 122 mm or more designed for use with lever arch mechanisms and slotted fittings for lever arch files with an opening of 41,5 mm or more designed to hook onto the arch of the mechanism slotted through the file form*
- *83.05/02.04 Ring binding mechanisms with a diameter of 25 mm or more for the manufacture of ring-binder files by means of permanently riveting the mechanism to the file form*
- *83.05/03.04 Clip mechanisms with a length of 110 mm or more for the manufacture of clipboard files or binders by means of permanently riveting the mechanism to the file or binder form*

APPLICANT

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Enquiries: Reference No. ITAC: 36/2011, contact: Mr. Christopher Sako, (012-394 3669) or, csako@itac.org.za.

REASON FOR THE APPLICATION

As reason for the application, the applicant indicated that there are no manufacturers of the subject product in the Southern African Customs Union (SACU) and the current customs duty of 20% *ad valorem* has an unnecessary cost raising effect.

PUBLICATION PERIOD

Representation should be submitted to the above address within **four (4) weeks** of the date of this notice.

2. REVIEW OF CUSTOMS DUTY

“Reception apparatus for television not designed to incorporate a video display or screen” (i.e. set top boxes) classifiable under tariff subheading 8528.71 at free of duty”.

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REASON FOR APPLICATION

To strengthen the domestic manufacturing of set top boxes in order to stimulate the electronics sector and to create jobs.

PUBLICATION PERIOD

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3. INCREASE IN THE RATE OF DUTY ON

Alkyd resins classifiable under tariff subheading 3907.50, from free of duty to 15 per cent ad valorem

APPLICANT

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Ref: 32/2011 **Enquiries:** Mr Moses Sibanyoni, Fax: (012) 394-4724 Email: msibanyoni@itac.org.za

REASON FOR THE APPLICATION

As reason for the application, the applicant indicated that they are experiencing competition from similar imported product and that the company has lost significant market share in the SACU as a result.

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