MALACAÑANG Manila

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. __197__

MODIFYING THE NOMENCLATURE AND THE RATES OF IMPORT DUTY ON VARIOUS PRODUCTS UNDER SECTION 104 OF THE TARIFF AND CUSTOMS CODE OF 1978 (PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1464, AS AMENDED)

WHEREAS, the vegetable industry needs tariff support as it prepares to gear up for competition vis-à-vis imports;

WHEREAS, Section 401 of the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978, as amended, empowers the President to increase, reduce or remove existing rates of duty, as well as to modify the tariff nomenclature.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL ARROYO, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. The articles specifically listed in "Annex A" hereof, as classified under Section 104 of the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978, as amended, shall be subject to the rates of import duty in accordance with the schedule indicated opposite each article.

SEC. 2. The nomenclature and the rates of import duty on tariff headings not enumerated and those listed but represented by the symbol "X X X" shall remain in force and effect.

SEC. 3. Upon the effectivity of this Executive Order, the articles specifically listed in the aforesaid "Annex" which are entered or withdrawn from warehouses in the Philippines for consumption shall be levied the rates of duty herein prescribed.

SEC. 4. All other Presidential issuances, administrative rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby revoked or modified accordingly.

SEC. 5. This Executive Order shall be effective for a period of six months (6) months which shall commence immediately following its complete publication in two (2) newspapers of general circulation in the Philippines.

Done in the City of Manila, this <u>16TH</u> day of <u>April</u> in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Three.

By the President:

ALBERTO G. ROMULO Executive Secretary

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HDG.	H.S.	DESCRIPTION	RATE OF
NO.	CODE		DUTY (%)
07.03		Onions, shallots, garlic, leeks and other alliaceous vegetables, fresh or chilled.	
	0703.10 00	- X X X	
	0703.20 00	-XXX	
	0703.90 00	- Leeks and other alliaceous vegetables	20
07.04		Cabbages, cauliflowers, kohlrabi, kale and similar edible brassicas, fresh or chilled.	
	0704.10 00	- Cauliflowers and headed broccoli	25
	0704.20 00	- X X X	
	to		
	0704.90 90	XXX	
07.05		Lettuce (Lactuca sativa) and chicory (Cichorium spp.), fresh or chilled.	
		- Lettuce:	
	0705.11 00	Cabbage lettuce (head lettuce)	25
	0705.19 00	Other	25
		- Chicory:	
	0705.21 00	Witloof chicory (Cichorium intybus var. foliosum)	20
	0705.29 00	Other	20
07.06		Carrots, turnips, salad beetroot, salsify, celeriac, radishes and similar edible roots, fresh or chilled.	
	0706.10	- Carrots and turnips:	
	0706.10 10	Carrots	25
	0706.10 20	Turnips	20
	0706.90 00	- Other	20
07.07	0707.00 00	Cucumbers and gherkins, fresh or chilled.	20
07.08		Leguminous vegetables, shelled or unshelled, fresh or chilled.	
	0708.10 00	- Peas (Pisum sativum)	20
	0708.20 00	- Beans (Vigna spp., Phaseolus spp.)	20
	0708.90 00	-XXX	
07.09		Other vegetables, fresh or chilled.	
	0709.10 00	- X X X	
	0709.20 00	-XXX	

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HDG.	H.S.	DESCRIPTION	RATE OF DUTY (%)
NO.	CODE		0011(10)
	0709.30 00	- X X X	
	0709.30 00	- Celery other than celeriac	20
	0709.40 00		
	0709.51 00	XXX	
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	0709.52 00	- Fruits of the genus Capsicum or of the genus Pimenta	20
		- Spinach, New Zealand spinach and orache spinach (garden spinach)	20
	0709.70 00	- XXX	
	0709.90		
	0709.90 10	XXX	
	0709.90 90	XXX	
07.11		Vegetables provisionally preserved (for example, by sulphur dioxide gas, in brine, in sulphur water or in other preservative solutions), but unsuitable in that state for immediate consumption.	
	0711.10	- Onions:	
	0711.10 10	XXX	00
	9711.10 90	Other	20
	0711.20_00	-XXX	
	0711.30 00	-XXX	00
	0711.40 00	- Cucumbers and gherkins	20
	0711.90 00	- Other vegetables; mixtures of vegetables	20
08.14	0814.00 00	Peel of citrus fruit or melons (including watermelons), fresh, frozen, dried or provisionally preserved in brine, in sulphur water or in other preservative solutions.	20
09.04		Pepper of the genus Piper; dried or crushed or ground fruits of the genus Capsicum or of the genus Pimenta.	
		- X X X	
	0904.11		
	to		
	0904.12 90	XXX	
	0904.20 00	- Fruits of the genus Capsicum or of the genus Pimenta, dried or crushed or ground	20
09.10		Ginger, saffron, turmeric (curcuma), thyme, bay leaves, curry and other spices.	
	0010 10 00	Cingor	20
	0910.10 00	- Ginger	
	0910.20 00		+
	to 0910.99 00	XXX	+