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# COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW OF THE EXPLANATORY NOTES CHAPTER 44

(Item III.C.4 on Agenda)

#### I. BACKGROUND

1. At its 23<sup>rd</sup> Session, the Review Sub-Committee held a discussion on the timing of the general review of the HS Explanatory Notes and it was agreed that the Sub-Committee should begin this review at its next session.

## II. SECRETARIAT COMMENTS

- 2. The Secretariat has reviewed the Explanatory Note to Chapter 44 and suggests, in addition to a correction of the French version of the Explanatory Note to heading 44.09, the following amendments:
  - (i) The insertion of references to commodities classifiable in heading 44.21, which are excluded elsewhere in the Nomenclature (i.e., exclusions in the Explanatory Notes to headings 44.09, 84.40 and 86.08, and in the General Explanatory Note to Chapter 89);
  - (ii) The insertion of a new paragraph in the Explanatory Notes to headings 44.14 to 44.21, reflecting the provisions of Note 3 to Chapter 44; and
  - (iii) The insertion of a reference to "other clothes hangers" in Item (3) of the Explanatory Note to heading 44.21.
- 3. The proposed amendments are reproduced in the Annex to this document.

### III. CONCLUSION

4. The Review Sub-Committee is invited to consider the proposed amendments to the Explanatory Note to Chapter 44, as set out in the Annex to this document.

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