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LIST OF QUESTIONS WHICH MIGHT BE EXAMINED AT A FUTURE SESSION

(Item XI.I on Agenda)

Reference document:

42.750, Annexes IJ and Q (HSC/22 – Report)

- At the conclusion of its 22nd Session in November 1998, the Harmonized System Committee approved a list of questions which might be examined by the Committee at a future session (Annexes IJ and Q to Doc. 42.750 – HSC/22 – Report).
- 2. Since then, 97 of the 110 questions listed have been placed either on the Agenda of the Scientific Sub-Committee's 14th Session in February 1999, on the Agenda of the Review Sub-Committee's 19th Session in March 1999, or on the Agenda of the Committee's 23rd Session in May 1999.
- 3. Moreover, six questions have been added to the list, taking account of the reservations entered by the EC, the United States, Switzerland and Norway in respect of the decisions taken by the Committee at its 22nd Session (Questions 8 to 13 in the Annex hereto).
- 4. However, following these reservations, five questions have been deleted (Questions 47, 52, 58, 64 and 80 in Annex Q to Doc. 42.750 HSC/22 Report) and two others have been dealt with in part following the reservations entered in respect of the decisions concerning "chicken sauce" and "POM-BÄR" (Questions 57 and 79 in the aforementioned Annex Q).
- 5. In the absence of any information or follow-up from the administration concerned, Question 71 (concerning the "Rapiline 51 OLP") in Annex Q to Doc. 42.750 has also been deleted.

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- 6. Finally, following a communication from the Canadian Administration on 23 February 1999, the question relating to amendment of the Explanatory Notes to clarify the scope of the term "dietetic food" (Question 4 in Annex Q to Doc. 42.750 HSC/22 Nov.98 Report) has also been deleted.
- 7. These modifications have been taken into account in the list of outstanding questions which is reproduced in the Annex hereto.
- 8. The Committee is invited to examine this list.

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WHICH MIGHT BE EXAMINED AT A FUTURE SESSION

- 1. Proposal by the OPCW for amendments to the Nomenclature concerning chemicals controlled by the Chemical Weapons Convention (Annex E/1, paragraph 15 to Doc. 40.600, HSC/18 Report).
- Request by the ICAO for simplification of the classification of aircraft parts in the Harmonized System (Annex H/24 to Doc. 40.600, HSC/18 – Report).
- Amendment of the Explanatory Note to heading 31.01 concerning stabilised sewage sludge (Annexes E/1 and M/3/2 to Doc. 41.100, HSC/19 – Report).
- 4. * Criteria for distinguishing between coconut products of heading 08.01 and 11.06 (Annex H/2, paragraph 6 (c) to Doc. 42.100, HSC/21 Report).
- 5. ** Possible amendments to the Nomenclature and Explanatory Notes with a view to simplifying the classification of combinations of textile materials with plastics or rubber (Annex E, paragraph 15 to Doc. 42.750, HSC/22 Report).
- 6. *** Proposal by Canada to amend the Nomenclature and Explanatory Notes to Chapter 54 (Annex E, paragraph 30 to Doc. 42.750, HSC/22 Report).
- 7. ** Proposed new legal Notes to establish purity criteria for Chapters 28 and 29 (Annex E, paragraph 40 to Doc. 42.750, HSC/22 Report).
- 8. Classification of various items of networking equipment (Reservation by the EC) (Annex G/5 to Doc. 42.750, HSC/22 Report).
- 9. Classification of the "FIRE 9000" and "FIRE 1000" (Reservation by the United States Administration) (Annex G/10 to Doc. 42.750, HSC/22 Report).

^{*} Study depends on information or a concrete proposal being received from administrations.

^{**} This question is deferred until the next HS review cycle and depends, moreover, on a new proposal being received from the administration concerned.

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- Classification of bitter limes referred to as "Citrus latifolia" (Reservation by the United States Administration) (Annex G/13 to Doc. 42.750, HSC/22 – Report).
- 11. Classification of "chicken sauce" (Reservation by the Norwegian Administration) (Annex G/15 to Doc. 42.750, HSC/22 Report).
- 12. Dividing line between "units" and "parts" and scope of the term "telecommunication" of heading 85.17 vis-à-vis heading 84.71; classification of the "ENW-9500-F Fast Ethernet Adapter" (Reservation by the EC) (Annex G/24 to Doc.42.750, HSC/22 Report).
- 13. Classification of certain crisps "POM-BÄR" (Reservation by the Swiss Administration) (Annex H/2 to Doc.42.750, HSC/22 Report).