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AMENDMENTS TO THE EXPLANATORY NOTES ARISING FROM THE CLASSIFICATION OF FRESH STRAWBERRIES PRESERVED BY MEANS OF A PROTECTIVE GAS IN SUBHEADING 0810.10

(Item VII.1 on Agenda)

Reference documents:

NC0494E1 (HSC/28) NC0510E2, Annex H/17 (HSC28 – Report)

I. BACKGROUND

- 1. At its 28th Session, the Harmonized System Committee examined the classification of fresh strawberries preserved by means of a protective gas. The Committee unanimously agreed to classify such strawberries in heading 08.10 (subheading 0810.10).
- 2. In order to reflect this decision, the Committee instructed the Secretariat to prepare draft amendments to the Explanatory Notes for examination by the next presessional Working Party.

II. SECRETARIAT COMMENTS

3. Acting upon the Committee's instructions, the Secretariat has prepared the draft amendments to the Explanatory Notes as presented in the Annex to this document. In Doc. NC0494E1 the Secretariat pointed out that not only fruit of Chapter 8, but also meat, fish and vegetables of Chapters 2, 3 and 7 were being "preserved" by means of a protective gas. The Secretariat has therefore prepared draft amendments to the General Explanatory Notes to all of these Chapters.

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III. CONCLUSION

4. The Committee is invited to examine the proposed draft amendments to the Explanatory Notes to Chapters 2, 3, 7 and 8, as set out in the Annex to this document, taking into account the observations of the Secretariat in paragraph 3 above.

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