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LIST OF QUESTIONS WHICH MIGHT BE EXAMINED AT A FUTURE SESSION

(Item X.1 on Agenda)

Reference document:

NC0090B2, Annex R (HSC/23 - Report)

- 1. At the conclusion of its 23rd Session in May 1999, the Harmonized System Committee approved a list of questions which might be examined by the Committee at a future session (Annex R to Doc. NC0090B2– HSC/23 Report).
- 2. Since then, 54 of the 71 questions listed have been placed on the Agenda of the Committee's 24th Session in October 1999.
- 3. Moreover, two questions have been added to the list, taking account of the reservations entered by Switzerland in respect of decisions taken by the Committee at its 23rd Session (Questions 18 and 19 in the Annex hereto).
- 4. These modifications have been taken into account in drafting the list of outstanding questions which is reproduced in the Annex hereto.
- 5. In the light of the proposals made at the Review Sub-Committee's 20th Session regarding the scope of the Third Review Cycle (Doc. NR0072E2, Annex B, paragraph 4), the Secretariat proposes deleting the questions marked with three or four asterisks in the Annex hereto.
- 6. The Committee is invited to examine this list.

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- 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).
- 3. Amendment to the Explanatory Note to heading 31.01 concerning stabilised sewage sludge. (Review Sub-Committee item).
- 4. ***Criteria for distinguishing between coconut products of headings 08.01 and 11.06. (Annex H/2, paragraph 6 (c) to Doc. 42.100, HSC/21 Report).
- 5. **Proposal by Canada to amend the Nomenclature and Explanatory Notes to Chapter 54. (Annex E, paragraph 30 to Doc. 42.750, HSC/22 Report).
- 6. Classification of functional units consisting of imagesetters combined with other machines. (Annex G/30, paragraph 2 to Doc. 42.750, HSC/22 Report).
- 7. ****Possible creation of a new heading for biodegradable plastics and articles thereof. (Annex E/1, paragraph 2 to Doc. NC0090E2, HSC/23 Report).
- 8. **Possible amendments to the Nomenclature and the Explanatory Notes to clarify the classification of co-ordination compounds.

 (Annex E/1, paragraph 3 to Doc. NC0090E2, HSC/23 Report).
- Classification of certain INN products. (Annex E/1, paragraph 4 and Annex E/4 to Doc. NC0090E2, HSC/23 - Report). (Scientific Sub-Committee item).
- 10. ****Proposal concerning the separate identification of flat panel displays. (Annex F/1, paragraph 2 to Doc. NC0090E2, HSC/23 Report).
- ****Possible separate identification of equipment for the manufacture of semiconductor devices and flat panel displays.
 (Annex F/1, paragraph 3 to Doc. NC0090E2, HSC/23 Report).
- New Subheading Explanatory Note and appropriate test methods for distinguishing the products of new subheadings 3920.43 and 3920.49.
 (Annex F/1, paragraph 4 to Doc. NC0090E2, HSC/23 Report). (Scientific Sub-Committee item).

Annex to Doc. NC0142E1 (HSC/24/Oct. 99)

- New Subheading Explanatory Note for waste oils of heading 27.10.
 (Annex F/1, paragraph 11 to Doc. NC0090E2, HSC/23 Report). (Review Sub-Committee item).
- New Subheading Explanatory Note to subheading 8524.34 regarding digital video discs. (Annex F/1, paragraph 34 to Doc. NC0090E2, HSC/23 – Report). (Review Sub-Committee item).
- ****Possible amendments to the Nomenclature to clarify the classification of certain vitaminbased preparations.
 (Annex H/4 to Doc. NC0090E2, HSC/23 – Report).
- 16. **Possible amendments to the Nomenclature and Explanatory Note to heading 85.42. (Annex IJ/14, paragraph 6 to Doc. NC0090E2, HSC/23 Report).
- Amendments to the Explanatory Note to heading 85.18 concerning hands-free radiotelephony devices.
 (Annex IJ/27 to Doc. NC0090E2, HSC/23 – Report). (Review Sub-Committee item).
- 18. Amendments to the Explanatory Notes arising from the classification of products called "Bio-Add" (Reservation by Switzerland). (Annex M/19 to Doc. NC0090E2, HSC/23 Report).
- Classification of non-aromatic cut tobacco (Reservation by Switzerland).
 (Annex IJ/1 to Doc. NC0090E2, HSC/23 Report).

^{*} The examination of this question depends on information to be submitted by specialized international organizations.

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This question was postponed until the next HS review cycle and also depends on a new proposal to be submitted by the administration concerned.

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