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AMENDMENTS TO THE COMPENDIUM OF CLASSIFICATION OPINIONS  
AND THE EXPLANATORY NOTES ARISING FROM THE CLASSIFICATION  
OF THE "WHISTLER 1120" IN SUBHEADING 8512.30  
(Item VI.10 on Agenda)

Reference documents :

NC0226E1 (HSC/25)  
NC0250E2, Annex IJ/15 (HSC/25 – Report)

I. BACKGROUND

1. At its 25<sup>th</sup> Session (March 2000), the Harmonized System Committee examined the classification of the "Whistler 1120", and decided to classify it in subheading 8512.30 by application of GIRs 1 and 6; classification at the subheading level being based on the essential character of the product, i.e., sound signalling equipment.
2. At the request of one delegate, the Committee instructed the Secretariat to draft a Classification Opinion for the next presessional Working Party. The Secretariat was also instructed by the Committee to propose a text, for the next presessional Working Party, in order to include this type of apparatus as an example in the Explanatory Note to heading 85.12.
3. The Committee finally agreed that the basis for the decision was that the apparatus was "of a kind used" in motor vehicles, thereby ruling out classification in heading 85.31.

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4. In order to implement these decisions, the Secretariat was instructed to draft a Classification Opinion for review in the first instance by the next presessional Working Party.

## **II. SECRETARIAT COMMENTS**

5. Acting on the Committee's instructions, the Secretariat has prepared and annexed the draft Classification Opinion as well as Explanatory Note amendments.

## **III. CONCLUSION**

6. The Committee is invited to approve the annexed amendments to the Compendium of Classification Opinions and the Explanatory Notes, once they have been finalized by the presessional Working Party.

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ANNEXE

MODIFICATION DU RECUEIL DES AVIS DE CLASSEMENT  
ET DES NOTES EXPLICATIVES DECOULANT DU CLASSEMENT  
D'UN APPAREIL DENOMME "WHISTLER 1120" DANS LE N° 8512.30  
(Point VI.10 de l'ordre du jour)

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ANNEX

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A. MODIFICATIONS DU RECUEIL DES AVIS DE CLASSEMENT

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Insérer l'Avis de classement suivant :

- "8512.30**      1.    **Appareil électrique conçu pour être utilisé dans un véhicule à moteur** pour prévenir le conducteur qu'un appareil de mesure de la vitesse ("canon radar" ou "canon laser") fonctionne à proximité. Il détecte les hyperfréquences entre 10,49 et 36 GHz émises par les canons radar ou laser sur les bandes de fréquences X, K et sur certaines fréquences de la bande super large Ka. Lorsqu'il capte ces fréquences, l'appareil émet des signaux acoustiques et visuels clairs (activation de la diode émettrice de lumière d'alerte associée à un signal audio spécial). Il se présente sous la forme d'un assortiment composé d'un détecteur radar/laser, d'un système de fixation au pare-brise, d'un câble d'alimentation, de fusibles et de pièces détachées, d'imprimés et d'un manuel de fonctionnement.

**Application de la RGI 1 et 6, le classement au niveau de la sous-position étant déterminé par le caractère essentiel de l'appareil."**

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Insérer les références suivantes :

Colonne 1      Colonne 2      Colonne 3      Colonne 4

**"8512.30**      2      (\*)      **Whistler 1120"**

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(\*) Insérer le numéro de document du rapport correspondant.

B. MODIFICATION DES NOTES EXPLICATIVES  
PAR VOIE DE CORRIGENDUM

CHAPITRE 85.

Page 1461. N° 85.12.

Insérer le nouvel alinéa 14) suivant :

- "14) **Appareil électrique conçu pour être utilisé dans un véhicule à moteur**, pour prévenir le conducteur qu'un appareil de mesure de la vitesse ("canon radar" ou "canon laser") fonctionne à proximité."
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A. AMENDMENTS TO THE COMPENDIUM OF CLASSIFICATION OPINIONS

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Insert the following Classification Opinion :

**"8512.30      1. Electrical apparatus designed to be used in a motor vehicle**  
to warn the driver that a speed detection device, a "radar gun" or a "laser gun", is operating in the vicinity. It detects microwaves, ranging from 10.49 to 36 GHz, emitted by radar or laser guns operating on X, K, and selected Ka-SuperWideband frequencies. When these frequencies are detected, the apparatus emits distinct visual and audio signals (illumination of the laser alert LED coupled with a special audio tone). It is presented as a set comprised of the radar/laser detector, windshield clip, straight power cord, fuses and spare parts, printed material and operating guide.

**Application of GIRs 1 and 6; classification at subheading level being based on the essential character of the product."**

Page 66.

Insert the following references :

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4
<b>"8512.30</b>	2	(*)	<b>"Whistler 1120"</b>

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(\*) Insert the appropriate Report reference.

B. AMENDMENT TO THE EXPLANATORY NOTES  
TO BE MADE BY BY CORRIGENDUM

CHAPTER 85.

Page 1461. Heading 85.12.

Insert the following new Item (14) :

- "(14) **Electrical apparatus designed to be used in a motor vehicle** to warn the driver that a speed detection device, a radar gun or a laser gun, is operating in the vicinity."
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