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AMENDMENTS TO THE COMPENDIUM OF CLASSIFICATION OPINIONS
ARISING FROM THE CLASSIFICATION OF THE "COLOR QUICKCAM"

IN SUBHEADING 8525.30

(Item VII.13 on Agenda)

Reference documents :

42.081 (HSC/22)	NC0210E1 (HSC/25)
42.750, Annex H/11 (HSC/22 - Report)	NC0233E1 (HSC/25)
NC0051E1 (HSC/23)	NC0250E2, Annex H/5 (HSC/25 - Report)
NC0087E1 (HSC/23)	NC0289E1 (HSC/26)
NC0160E2, Annex G/19 (HSC/24 - Report)	NC0340E2, Annex G/7 (HSC/26 - Report)

I. BACKGROUND

1. At its 26th Session, following a reservation by the Argentine Administration, the Harmonized System Committee re-examined the classification of the "Color QuickCam".
2. When a vote was taken, the Committee first decided, by 30 votes to 5, that the "Color QuickCam" was classifiable elsewhere than in heading 84.71. It then opted for heading 85.25 as the most appropriate classification, by 25 votes to 5. Finally, by 30 votes to 3, it concluded that the "Color QuickCam" was classifiable in subheading 8525.30 by application of GIRs 1 (Note 5 (E) to Chapter 84) and 6, thus confirming the decisions taken at its 24th and 25th Sessions.
3. In order to reflect this decision, the Secretariat was instructed to prepare a Classification Opinion to be examined in the first instance by the next pre-session Working Party.

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II. SECRETARIAT COMMENTS

4. Acting on the Committee's instructions, the Secretariat has prepared and appended a draft Classification Opinion for the "Color QuickCam".
5. The Secretariat would draw the attention of the Committee to the fact that the "Color QuickCam" includes diskettes containing installation software for capturing still images and capturing video. While the Committee did not take a decision on the classification of these diskettes, the Secretariat has prepared its draft Classification Opinion taking into account the fact that the Committee, in the past, has used Note 6 to Chapter 85 to effect the classification of similar goods. The Secretariat has placed the reference to the classification of these diskettes in square brackets, awaiting final approval by the Committee at its 27th Session.

III. CONCLUSION

6. The Committee is invited to approve the proposed amendments to the Compendium of Classification Opinions once they have been finalized by the presessional Working Party.

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