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AMENDMENTS TO THE COMPENDIUM OF CLASSIFICATION OPINIONS ARISING FROM THE CLASSIFICATION OF A VITAMIN PREPARATION IN SUBHEADING 2106.90

(Item VII.3 on Agenda)

Reference documents:

NC0484E1 (HSC/28) NC0510E2, Annex H/4 (HSC/28 - Report)

I. BACKGROUND

- 1. At its 28th Session, the Harmonized System Committee examined the classification of a Vitamin C preparation ("Nature Made® Vitamin C 500 mg Supplement with Rose Hips") containing ascorbic acid, corn starch, croscarmellose sodium, cellulose, rose hips, stearic acid, lemon bioflavonoid complex, magnesium stearate and acerola. According to the label on the container, this product was not intended to diagnose, treat, cure or prevent any disease. The Committee decided, by 26 votes to 1, to classify this product in heading 21.06 (subheading 2106.90).
- 2. In order to reflect this decision, the Committee instructed the Secretariat to prepare a draft Classification Opinion for examination by the next presessional Working Party. In this connection, and the publication of this decision on the WCO Web site, the description of the product should be amplified to indicate that the label of the product stated that "these products are not intended to diagnose, treat, cure or prevent any disease".
- 3. At the request of some delegates, the Secretariat was also instructed to prepare draft amendments to the Explanatory Notes (in particular the Explanatory Note to heading 29.36), with a view to clarifying the classification of vitamin preparations (see Item VIII.3 on Agenda).

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II. <u>SECRETARIAT COMMENT</u>

4. Acting on the Committee's instructions, the Secretariat has prepared and appended a draft Classification Opinion for "Nature Made® Vitamin C 500 mg Supplement with Rose Hips".

III. CONCLUSION

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

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