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INSERTION OF PICTURES OR DRAWINGS IN THE COMPENDIUM OF CLASSIFICATION

OPINIONS

(Item VII.1 on Agenda)

Reference documents :

NC0430E2, Annex G/15 (HSC/27 – Report)
NC0454E1 (HSC/28)
NC0510E2, Annex C/3 (HSC/28 – Report)

NC0525E1 (HSC/29)
NC0590E2, Annex C/1 (HSC/29 – Report)
NC0603E1 (HSC/30)
NC0655E2, Annex F/1 (HSC/30- Report)

I. BACKGROUND

1. At its 28th Session, the Harmonized System Committee approved the Secretariat's proposal to supplement, where possible, the existing Classification Opinions with pictures or drawings of the articles concerned, not only to clarify their description, but also for ease of understanding.
2. To this end, at its 30th Session, the Committee approved the insertion in the Compendium of a new introductory page as well as an initial set of pictures covering Chapters 1 to 49. Along the same lines, it instructed the Secretariat to continue with this approach for the remaining Chapters of the Nomenclature, especially Chapters 50 to 83, the draft amendments to which are scheduled to be examined at the 31st Session.

II. SECRETARIAT COMMENTS

3. In accordance with the Committee's instructions, the Secretariat has set out in the Annex hereto pictures and drawings for the products falling in Chapters 50 to 83, apart from women's or girls' clothing of subheadings 6114.20, 6114.30, 6212.90 and 6307.90 for which illustrations were already inserted in the Compendium by the last Amending Supplement.

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III. CONCLUSION

4. The Committee is invited to approve the draft amendments to the Compendium set out at the Annex hereto, once they have been finalized by the pre-sessional Working Party.

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