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AMENDMENT OF THE HS 2002 EXPLANATORY NOTES  
ARISING FROM THE CLASSIFICATION OF BITTER LIMES REFERRED  
TO AS "CITRUS LATIFOLIA" AND "CITRUS AURANTIFOLIA" IN SUBHEADING 0805.50  
(Item III.A.1 on Agenda)

Reference documents :

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|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 41.473 (RSC/16)                      | 42.100, Annex F/3 (HSC/21 - Report)   |
| 41.580, Annex B/18 (RSC/16 – Report) | 42.439 (HSC/22)                       |
| 41.819 (RSC/17)                      | 42.750, Annex G/13 (HSC/22 – Report)  |
| 41.920, Annex B/1 (RSC/17 – Report)  | NC0122E1 (HSC/24)                     |
| 42.077 (HSC/21)                      | NC0160E2, Annex G/3 (HSC/24 – Report) |
| 42.103 (HSC/21)                      | NC0184E1 (HSC/25)                     |
| 42.104 (HSC/21)                      | NC0250E2, Annex G/2 (HSC/25 – Report) |

I. BACKGROUND

1. At its 25<sup>th</sup> Session, in March 2000, the Harmonized System Committee adopted the Explanatory Note to heading 08.05, finalized by the presessional Working Party, to reflect the classification of bitter limes referred to as "Citrus latifolia" in subheading 0805.90.
2. At the same time, the Secretariat was instructed to submit a new proposed amendment to the relevant Explanatory Note for the HS 2002 version at the Review Sub-Committee's next session, since all bitter limes were to be grouped in the same subheading (subheading 0805.50) under the HS 2002 version.

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## II. SECRETARIAT COMMENTS

3. In order to enable the Explanatory Note to heading 08.05 to conform to the structure of the subheadings of heading 08.05, and to give a clearer presentation under the HS 1996 version, the HS Committee decided to re-arrange this Explanatory Note. The Secretariat believes that this decision is valid also for the 2002 version, and has therefore based the proposed texts on the texts approved at the HS Committee's last session, taking into account that the subheading for lemons and limes has been renumbered 0805.50.

## III. CONCLUSION

4. The Sub-Committee is invited to consider the proposal for amending the Explanatory Note to heading 08.05, as set out in the Annex, taking into account the comments of the Secretariat in paragraph 3 above.

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ANNEXE

MODIFICATION DES NOTES EXPLICATIVES DÉCOULANT DU CLASSEMENT DES  
LIMES DES VARIÉTÉS "CITRUS LATIFOLIA " ET "CITRUS AURANTIFOLIA " DANS  
LE N° 0805.50 DE LA VERSION 2002 DU SH

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PROCEDURE DE L'ARTICLE 16  
MODIFICATION DES NOTES EXPLICATIVES

CHAPITRE 8.

Page 60. N° 08.05. Premier paragraphe.

Nouvelle rédaction :

“On entend par *agrumes* notamment :

- 1) les oranges, douces ou amères (bigarades);
- 2) les mandarines (y compris les tangérines et satsumas); les clémentines, wilkings et hybrides similaires d'agrumes;
- 3) les pamplemousses et pomelos;
- 4) les citrons (*Citrus limon*, *Citrus limonum*), et les limes (*Citrus aurantifolia*, *citrus latifolia*).
- 5) les cédrats, les kumquats, les bergamotes, etc.

La présente position couvre également les chinois (petits citrons verts et petites oranges vertes) destinés à la conserve.”

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ARTICLE 16 PROCEDURE

AMENDMENTS TO THE EXPLANATORY NOTES

CHAPTER 8.

Page 60. Heading 08.05. First paragraph.

Delete and substitute :

“The expression “citrus fruit” applies *inter alia* to :

- (1) Oranges, sweet or bitter (Seville oranges).
- (2) Mandarins (including tangerines and satsumas); clementines, wilkings and similar citrus hybrids.
- (3) Grapefruit (including pomelos).
- (4) Lemons (*Citrus limon*, *Citrus limonum*) and limes (*Citrus aurantifolia*, *Citrus latifolia*)
- (5) Citrons, kumquats, bergamots, etc.

The heading also includes small green oranges and lemons of a kind used for preserving.”

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