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POSSIBLE AMENDMENT OF HEADING 85.28 TO PROVIDE SEPARATELY
FOR SATELLITE TELEVISION RECEIVERS
(PROPOSAL BY THE EGYPTIAN ADMINISTRATION)
(Item III.A.18 on Agenda)

Reference documents :

NR0223E1 (RSC/25)
NR0253E1 (RSC/25)
NR0262B1 (RSC/25)
NR0265E3, Annex C/13 (RSC/25 – Report)
NR0288E1 (RSC/26)

I. BACKGROUND

1. At its 25th Session, the Review Sub-Committee discussed possible amendments to heading 85.28 to insert a new provision for satellite television receivers while, at the same time, continuing to provide for black and white televisions. The **US** Delegate made a proposal from the floor for four two-dash subheadings under the one-dash subheading 8528.1. At the conclusion of its discussions, the Sub-Committee decided to return to this matter at its next session, on the basis of a new written proposal by the **US** Administration, which would be based on Alternative (1) in the proposal put forward by the Secretariat in the Annex to Doc. NR0223E1, but would also take into account the Sub-Committee's discussions. On 10 July 2002, the Secretariat received the following note from the **US** Administration.

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II. **US** PROPOSAL FOR HEADING 85.28

2. "During its 25th Session, the Sub-Committee discussed possible modifications to heading 85.28. Among the issues discussed was how to arrange the subheadings in order to continue providing for black-and-white televisions and to add a new provision for satellite receivers. This administration offered a text from the floor, and agreed to try to develop a modified text that would incorporate our own proposal and the Secretariat's Alternative 1 (Annex to Doc. NR0223E1), for which support appeared to be emerging.
3. We offer the following text, which provides a clear distinction between products known in the trade as "televisions" (proposed subheadings 8528.11 and 8528.15) and products that are tuners without a display (proposed subheadings 8528.17 and 8528.19).

85.28 Reception apparatus for television, whether or not incorporating radiobroadcast receivers or sound or video recording or reproducing apparatus; video monitors and video projectors.

- Reception apparatus for television, whether or not incorporating radio-broadcast receivers or sound or video recording or reproducing apparatus :
 - 8528.11 - - Apparatus incorporating, or designed to incorporate, a colour video display
 - 8528.15 - - Apparatus incorporating, or designed to incorporate, a black and white or other monochrome video display
 - 8528.17 - - Satellite receivers, not incorporating, or designed to incorporate, a video display
 - 8528.19 - - Other
 - Video monitors :
 - 8528.21 - - Colour
 - 8528.22 - - Black and white or other monochrome
 - 8528.30 - Video projectors".

III. SECRETARIAT COMMENTS

4. Due to its recent arrival, the Secretariat has reproduced the **US** note without comment. However, it would like to draw the Sub-Committee's attention to Agenda Item III.B.5 (**EC** proposal to amend Chapters 84, 85, 90 and 95), which also covers current heading 85.28.

IV. CONCLUSION

5. The Sub-Committee is invited to take account of the **US** proposal when it examines this agenda item.
