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AMENDMENTS TO THE COMPENDIUM OF CLASSIFICATION OPINIONS
ARISING FROM THE CLASSIFICATION OF A LUMBAR SUPPORT BELT
IN SUBHEADING 6212.90
(Item VI.3 on Agenda)

Reference documents :

NC0230E1 (HSC/25)
NC0250E2, Annex IJ/18 (HSC/25 – Report)
NC0274E1 (HSC/26)

I. BACKGROUND

1. Following the preparation of the draft Classification Opinion appended to Doc. NC0274E1, the Secretariat received a Note from the United States Administration on 14 September 2000 proposing an alternative text (see the Annex to this document).

II. SECRETARIAT COMMENTS

2. The Secretariat would point out that the alternative text proposed no longer indicates that the article is a reinforced belt with posture correction. This latter function, provided by the rigid boning at the rear, makes it possible to immobilize sections of the spinal column in a specific position, and it would seem to be an essential characteristic of the product.

III. CONCLUSION

3. The Committee is invited to approve one of the proposed texts, taking account of the Secretariat's comments in paragraph 2 above.

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ANNEXE

MODIFICATION DU RECUEIL DES AVIS DE CLASSEMENT
DECOULANT DU CLASSEMENT D'UNE CEINTURE DE
SOUTIEN LOMBAIRE DANS LE N° 6212.90 (PROPOSITION DES ETATS-UNIS)

(Point VI.3 de l'ordre du jour)

ANNEX

AMENDMENTS TO THE COMPENDIUM OF CLASSIFICATION OPINIONS
ARISING FROM THE CLASSIFICATION OF
A LUMBAR SUPPORT BELT IN SUBHEADING 6212.90 (US PROPOSAL)

(Item VI.3 on Agenda)

MODIFICATIONS DU RECUEIL DES AVIS DE CLASSEMENT

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Insérer l'avis de classement suivant :

- "6212.90** 2. **Ceinture de soutien lombaire** en tissu élastique (polyamide 43 %, élasthanne guipé 25 %, coton 16 %, polyester 16 %) à structure transversale et fermeture du type "velcro". La ceinture comporte trois bandes de tissu croisées et quatre baleines verticales rigides dans le dos assurant sa stabilité et évitant qu'elle ne se plisse. Elle est commercialisée en six tailles différentes et son port serait indiqué pour prévenir et traiter les lombalgies et sciatalgies aiguës ou chroniques, les traumatismes professionnels, l'arthrose vertébrale douloureuse, les éventrations (soutien de la paroi abdominale) et pour le maintien post-interventionnel.

Application des RGI 1 (libellé du n° 62.12 et Note 1 b) du Chapitre 90) et 6."

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Insérer les références suivantes :

Colonne 1	Colonne 2	Colonne 3	Colonne 4
"6212.90	2	(*)	"Thuasne Lombacross Ref. 830"

(*) Insérer le numéro de document du rapport correspondant.

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Insert the following Classification Opinion :

- “6212.90** 2. **Lumbar support** of elastic woven fabric (43% polyamide, 25% lapped elastane, 16% cotton, 16% polyester) with a crosswise construction and Velcro™ fasteners. The support is designed with three crossed bands of woven fabric and four vertical rigid stays in the back, which provide stability and prevent creasing. Available in six different waist sizes, the lumbar support is claimed to be used for support in the prevention and treatment of acute or chronic lumbago or sciatica, occupational traumatism, back pain from vertebral arthrosis, hernia (abdominal wall support) or post-operative conditions.

Application of GIR 1 (text of heading 62.12 and Note 1 (b) to Chapter 90) and GIR 6.”

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Insert the following references :

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3	Column 4
“6212.90	2	(*)	"Thuasne <i>Lombacross</i> Ref. 830"

(*) Insert the appropriate Report reference.