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AGREEMENT ON IMPORT LICENSING PROCEDURES

NOTIFICATION UNDER ARTICLES 1.4(A)ⁱ AND/OR 8.2(B)ⁱⁱ OF THE AGREEMENT

SRI LANKA

The following communication, dated 11 February 2014, is being circulated at the request of the delegation of Sri Lanka.

Rules and all information relating to applicable import licensing procedures are published in the Government Gazette of Sri Lanka.

A copy of Import and Export (Control) Act No. 1 of 1969 establishing the list of goods subject to licensing and guidelines for importers on how to obtain import licences/permits and subsequent amendments, are submitted herewith¹.

- Annex I - Government Gazette notification No.1447/28 dated 1 June 2006: Import (Standardization and Quality Control) Regulations 2006. This includes the items, importation of which is subject to the Sri Lanka Standards Institution (SLSI) standards. (Product description is based on 2002 HS version)
- Annex II - Government Gazette notification No.1627/3 dated 9 November 2009. Amendment to the Import (Standardization and Quality Control) Regulations. This is an amendment to the Government Gazette notification No. 1447/28 dated 1 June 2006 stated above for inclusion of tooth brushes to the list of items indicated in the said Gazette. (Description of the added product line is based on 2007 HS version)
- Annex III - Government Gazette notification No.1739/3 dated 2 January 2012
Special Import Licence and Payment Regulations, No. 1 of 2011. Import license and payment regulations stipulated in this Gazette apply to the importation of goods listed in Schedule I therein. (Product description is based on 2007 HS version)
- Annex IV - Government Gazette notification No.1804/17 dated 3 April 2013. Import and Export (Control) Regulations, No 02 of 2013. Regulations on mandatory certificates for importation of used vehicles. (Product description is based on 2012 HS version)
- Annex V - Government Gazette notification No.1813/14 dated 5 June 2013. Amendment to the Special Import Licence and Payment Regulations No.1 of 2011. Scheduled I of this Gazette is the list of commodities subject to import control licence, primarily under the following conventions. (Product description is based on 2012 HS version)
- Basel Convention
 - Stockholm Convention
 - Chemical Weapons Convention
 - Vienna Convention (Montreal Protocol)
 - Rotterdam Convention

¹ Available in English only (Market Access Division).

Chemicals listed in Schedule IV of this Gazette are prohibited to be imported from any country. However, the chemicals categorised under H. S. Heading 29.03 are permitted to import for the critical usage with the approval of the Montreal Protocol.

Annex VI - Government Gazette notification No.1821/40 dated 1 August 2013. Import and Export (Control) Regulations, No. 4 of 2013. Chemicals listed in Section I of the Attachment C of the Montreal Protocol have been subjected to quantitative restrictions by this Gazette. (Product description is based on 2012 HS version)

Note:

The above legislature reflects the situation as of 02.09.2013. All Gazette Notifications, Imports and Exports Control Act and its amendments referred to above can be downloaded from "**Downloads**" of Department's website (www.imexport.gov.lk).

ⁱ "[...] Publication shall take place, whenever practicable, 21 days prior to the effective date of the requirement but in all events not later than such effective date. Any exception, derogations or changes in or from the rules concerning licensing procedures or the list of products subject to import licensing shall also be published in the same manner and within the same time periods as specified above." See Art. 1.4(a) of the Agreement.

ⁱⁱ "Each Member shall inform the Committee of any changes in its laws and regulations relevant to this Agreement and in the administration of such laws and regulations."