

2002 CHANGES IN THE HARMONIZED SYSTEM

Electronic Verification Results by the Secretariat

Schedule XX – United States

The following Verification Results are being provided to Members in order to aid in the process of verifying HS2002 changes to WTO Schedules of concessions on goods. The provision for this verification is provided for in the Decision on "Concessions under the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System, A Procedure for Introduction of Harmonized System 2002 Changes to Schedules of Concessions"¹. Furthermore, the specific items and procedures for electronic verification, with respect to textual and rate verification by the Secretariat, are set out in document G/MA/W/27/Add.1. The comparison was based on the WTO legal commitments and concessions on goods that currently are in force for the United States.²

I. TEXTUAL COMPARISONS

1. 0101.10.00, hyphen is missing in "Pure-bred"
2. 1403.00, hyphen is missing in "couch-grass"
3. 2308.00, hyphen is missing in "by-products"
4. 2620, comma missing after "steel")
5. 2710, missing part of the HS wording
6. 2922.44.00, "Tilidine" is misspelled.
7. 2920, hyphen is missing in "non-metals"
8. 0302.36.00 and 0303.46.00 should be "tunas" not "tuna"
9. 3922, hyphen is missing in "shower-baths" and "wash-basins"
10. 3922.10.00, hyphen is missing in "shower-baths" and "wash-basins"
11. 4012.12, the HS wording is "lorries", not "trucks"
12. 4012.13.00, HS wording is "Of a kind used on aircraft"
13. 4202, hyphen is missing from "suit-cases, vanity-cases, brief-cases, executive-cases, traveling-bags, map-cases, cigarette-cases, tobacco-pouches, bottle-cases, and powder-cases"; "executive" is missing; "toiletry" should be "toilet"; "knapsacks and backpacks" should be "rucksacks"; "powder cases" should be "powder-boxes"; and a comma was added after "fiber".
14. 4410.33.00, "Surface" is misspelled
15. 4811, HS wording includes "of the kind described in"
16. 4811.60, the word "wax" is missing from "paraffin wax"
17. 6110.12, "cashmere" is misspelled as "cashmeree"
18. 8415.10, second parentheses is missing from "split-system"
19. 8419, HS wording does not include "parts thereof"
20. 8443, HS wording does not include "parts thereof"

¹ General Council Decision of 18 July 2001, as contained in WT/L/407.

² The current commitments are contained in the Uruguay Round Schedule, WT/Let/182, and WT/Let/336.

21. 8467, HS wording does not include "and parts thereof"
22. 8471.50.00, hyphen is missing in "sub-heading"
23. 8514, HS wording does not include "parts thereof"
24. 8518, HS wording does not include "parts thereof"
25. 8525, hyphen is missing in "radio-telephony, radio-telegraphy, and radio-broadcasting"; the word "or" in the second to last phrase is "and" in the HS.
26. 8906, HS wording uses "rowing" not "row"
27. 9009, hyphen is missing in "thermo-copying"
28. 9021.10.00, HS wording is "Orthopaedic or fracture appliances" and does not include "and parts and accessories thereof"
29. 9021.31.00, HS wording is "Artificial joints" and does not include "and parts and accessories thereof"
30. 9504.30.00, HS wording does not include "and parts and accessories thereof"
31. 9508, HS wording is "Roundabouts, boat-swings"; additional punctuation; and addition of "parts and accessories thereof".
32. 9508.10.00, HS wording does not include "and parts and accessories thereof"
33. 9704, HS wording includes a comma after "paper)".

II. RATE COMPARISONS:

1. 2922.14.00A, proposed bound rate is lower
2. 2935.00.06A, proposed bound rate is lower
3. 3920.43.10, proposed bound rate is lower
4. 3920.49.00, proposed bound rate is higher
5. 4409.20.05, proposed bound rate is lower
6. 4409.10.05, proposed bound rate is lower
7. 8906.10.00, proposed bound rate is lower
8. 8906.90.00, proposed ODC is newly imposed for items previously contained in 8906.00.10
9. 8906.90.00, proposed bound rate is lower
10. The following rate comparisons could not be made, as the HS numbers provided in the concordance did not exist in a previous WTO Schedule and thus there was no concession to make a comparison. Therefore, revised information should be provided as to where these concessions originated: 0714.90.45, 1402.00.91, 1402.00.99, 2106.90.39, 2620.60.10, 2620.60.90, 2620.91.00, 2620.99.75, 2620.99.85, 2710.19.05, 2710.19.10, 2710.99.05, 2710.99.10, 2905.51.00, 2905.59.10A, 2905.59.30, 2905.59.10B, 2905.59.90A, 2905.59.90B, 2907.29.05A, 2907.29.05B, 2918.19.15A, 2918.19.15B, 2921.46.00, 2921.49.38A, 2921.49.38B, 2922.14.00B, 2922.19.09A, 2922.19.09B, 2922.19.09C, 2922.31.00A, 2922.31.00B, 2922.39.17A, 2922.39.17B, 2922.39.25A, 2922.39.25B, 2922.39.45A, 2922.39.45B, 2922.39.45C, 2922.39.50A, 2922.39.50B, 2922.44.00, 2922.49.26A, 2922.49.26B, 2924.11.00, 2924.19.10A, 2924.19.10B, 2924.19.80A, 2924.19.80B, 2924.23.10, 2924.23.70A, 2924.23.70B, 2924.23.70C, 2924.23.75A, 2924.23.75B, 2924.23.75C, 2924.24.00, 2924.29.43, 2924.29.71A, 2924.29.71B, 2924.29.71C, 2924.29.76A, 2924.29.76B, 2924.29.76C, 2924.29.95A, 2924.29.95B, 2925.12.00, 2925.19.42A, 2925.19.42B, 2925.19.42C, 2926.30.10A, 2926.30.10B, 2926.30.20, 2926.90.43A, 2926.90.43B, 2926.90.43C, 2926.90.48A, 2926.90.48B, 2926.90.48C, 2932.95.00, 2932.99.61A, 2932.99.61B, 2933.33.00, 2933.39.31A, 2933.39.31B, 2933.41.00, 2933.49.20A, 2933.49.20B, 2933.49.26A, 2933.49.26B, 2933.49.60A, 2933.49.60B, 2933.49.60C, 2933.49.70A, 2933.49.70B, 2933.49.70C, 2933.52.90, 2933.53.00, 2933.54.00A, 2933.54.00B, 2933.54.00C, 2933.55.00, 2933.59.46A, 2933.59.46B, 2933.72.00A, 2933.72.00B, 2933.79.08A, 2933.79.08B, 2933.79.85A, 2933.79.85B, 2933.79.85C, 2933.91.00, 2933.99.02A, 2933.99.02B, 2933.99.08A, 2933.99.08B, 2933.99.13A, 2933.99.13B, 2933.99.22A, 2933.99.22B, 2933.99.26A, 2933.99.26B, 2933.99.42, 2933.99.46A, 2933.99.46B, 2933.99.53A, 2933.99.53B, 2933.99.55A, 2933.99.55B, 2933.99.58, 2933.99.61A, 2933.99.61B, 2933.99.65A, 2933.99.65B, 2933.99.70A, 2933.99.70B, 2933.99.75A, 2933.99.75B, 2933.99.79A, 2933.99.79B, 2933.99.79C, 2933.99.82A, 2933.99.82B, 2933.99.82C, 2933.99.90A, 2933.99.90B, 2933.99.97A, 2933.99.97B,

2933.99.97C, 2934.91.00, 2934.99.06A, 2934.99.06B, 2934.99.30A, 2934.99.30B, 2934.99.39A, 2934.99.39B, 2934.99.39C, 2934.99.44A, 2934.99.44B, 2934.99.47A, 2934.99.47B, 2934.99.90A, 2934.99.90B, 2935.00.06B, 2937.19.00B, 2937.23.25, 2937.23.50, 2937.29.10, 2937.31.00, 2937.39.10, 2937.39.90, 2937.40.10, 2937.40.90, 2937.50.00, 2937.90.00, 2939.43.00, 2939.49.01, 3004.90.91, 3006.70.00A, 3006.70.00B, 3006.80.00, 3401.30.10A, 3401.30.10B, 3402.20.11A, 3402.20.11B, 3822.00.50A, 3822.00.50B, 3822.00.60, 3824.90.91A, 3824.90.91B, 3824.90.91C, 3824.90.91D, 3825.10.00, 3825.20.00, 3825.30.00, 3825.41.00, 3825.49.00, 3825.50.00, 3825.61.00, 3825.69.00, 3825.90.00, 4010.31.30, 4010.31.60, 4010.32.30, 4010.32.60, 4010.33.30, 4010.33.60, 4010.34.30, 4010.34.60, 4010.35.30, 4010.35.41, 4010.35.45, 4010.35.50, 4010.35.90, 4010.36.30, 4010.36.41, 4010.36.45, 4010.36.50, 4010.36.90, 4010.39.10, 4010.39.20, 4010.39.30, 4010.39.41, 4010.39.45, 4010.39.50, 4010.39.90, 4408.31.01A, 4408.31.01B, 4408.31.01C, 4408.39.01A, 4408.39.01B, 4408.39.01C, 4410.21.00, 4410.29.00, 4410.31.00, 4410.32.00, 4410.33.00, 4410.39.00, 4412.13.51, 4412.13.91, 4412.14.31, 4412.14.56, 4412.22.06, 4412.22.31, 4412.22.41, 4412.22.51, 4412.23.01, 4412.29.36, 4412.29.46, 4412.29.56, 4412.92.06, 4412.92.41, 4412.92.51, 4412.92.91, 4412.93.01, 4412.99.46, 4412.99.56, 4412.99.96, 4807.00.91, 4807.00.92, 4807.00.94, 4810.31.30A, 4810.31.30B, 4810.32.30A, 4810.32.30B, 4810.39.30A, 4810.39.30B, 4810.92.30A, 4810.92.30B, 4810.99.30A, 4810.99.30B, 4823.90.31A, 4823.90.31B, 7010.90.05, 7010.90.20, 7010.90.30, 7010.90.50A, 7010.90.50B, 7112.30.00, 7112.91.00, 7112.92.00, 7112.99.00, 8443.59.90, 8472.90.80, 8472.90.90, 8473.40.85, 8479.89.96, 8479.89.98A, 8479.89.98B, 8479.90.94C, 8514.20.80A, 8514.20.80B, 8514.90.80A, 8514.90.80B, 8527.90.86A, 8527.90.86B, 8529.90.22A, 8529.90.22B, 8529.90.75A, 8529.90.75B, 8529.90.86A, 8529.90.86B, 8531.80.00A, 8531.80.00B, 8531.90.15, 8531.90.75, 8543.89.20, 8543.90.10, 9301.90.30, and 9817.64.01.

III. HS 2002 ITEMS MISSING:

1. The following headings are missing: 2208 and 9206.
2. The following sub-headings with important HS2002 description changes are missing: 0106.1, 0106.3, 0210.9, 0303.1, 0711.5, 0712.3, 1209.2, 1514.1, 1514.9, 1905.3, 2009.1, 2009.2, 2009.3, 2009.4, 2009.6, 2009.7, 2306.4, 2620.9, 2710.1, 2710.9, 2805.1, 2905.5, 2907.2, 2922.1, 2922.2, 2922.3, 2922.4, 2924.1, 2933.4, 2933.9, 2934.9, 2939.1, 2939.5, 2939.9, 3904.2, 3905.1, 4011.6, 4011.9, 4012.1, 4015.1, 4410.2, 4410.3, 5102.1, 5105.3, 5603.1, 6110.1, 7112.9, 8112.1, 8112.2, 8112.5, 8112.9, 8805.2, 9009.1, 9009.2, 9009.9, 9021.2, 9021.3, 9301.1, and 9305.9.
3. The following HS tariff items (6 or 8-digit levels) with descriptions and/or rates, are missing: 0709.52, 1702.50, 2001.90.42, 2003.20, 2009.11, 2009.50, 2518.10, 2518.20, 2518.30, 2707.10, 2707.20, 2707.30, 2805.11, 2836.70.00, 2842.10.00, 2842.90, 2914.31, 3004.32, 3006.60, 3206.11.00, 3404.20.11, 3404.20.00, 3506.91.00, 3904.10, 3905.30, 3906.10.00, 3907.60.00, 3920.62.00, 3920.91.00, 3922.10, 4012.20, 4012.90, 4403.49, 4705.00, 4707.10, 4707.20, 4707.30, 4907.00.00, 5408.10.00, 8112.19, 8419.81.50, 8471.50.00, 8506.80.00, 8509.10.00, 8514.40.00, 8714.20.00, 9012.10, 9021.21, 9021.29, 9206.00, 9504.30, 9504.90.40, and 9704.00.00.
4. There appears to be a problem with 0709.51.01, the description matches the HS at 0709.51, but there is only one US 8-digit code, using the same description. Perhaps number is mistyped.
5. There appears to be a problem with 1207.99.01, the description matches the HS at 1207.99, but there is only one US 8-digit code, using the same description. Perhaps number is mistyped.
6. There appears to be a problem with 2003.10.01, the description matches the HS at 2003.10, but there is only one US 8-digit code, using the same description. Perhaps number is mistyped.
7. There appears to be a problem with 3702.91.01, the description matches the HS at 3702.91, but there is only one US 8-digit code, using the same description. Perhaps number is mistyped.

8. There appears to be a problem with 4301.80.01, the description matches the HS at 4301.80, but there is only one US 8-digit code, using the same description. Perhaps number is mistyped.

9. There appears to be a problem with 6812.90.01, the description matches the HS at 6812.90, but there is only one US 8-digit code, using the same description. Perhaps number is mistyped.

10. There appears to be a problem with 8112.99.01, the description matches the HS at 8112.99, but there is only one US 8-digit code, using the same description. Perhaps number is mistyped.

11. There appears to be a problem with 8415.81.01, the description matches the HS at 8415.81, but there is only one US 8-digit code, using the same description. Perhaps number is mistyped.

12. There appears to be a problem with 8430.69.01, the description matches the HS at 8430.69, but there is only one US 8-digit code, using the same description. Perhaps number is mistyped.

IV. HS96 ITEMS NOT REMOVED:

1. 2620.20

V. OTHER ISSUES/COMMENTS:

1. Since nearly all items have already reached their final implementation, they should be reflected in the "bound" rate only; "base" and "implementation" columns should be blank. All items that have reached their final staging should be reflected as "bound" rates/concessions only.

2. "Concession first incorporated in GATT Schedule" was not part of the verification, but appears incorrect, as the US had many concessions from earlier rounds of negotiations.

3. The use of "0" is in earlier WTO Schedule and is consistent with WTO practices, therefore the same should be used instead of "Free".

4. The use of "U" means unbound, but the items here seem to have been already bound in previous commitments, thus the "U" should be dropped.

5. The US was one of a few countries to include the "HS notes" in its WTO Schedule. However, this update does not contain them. Therefore, when the schedule is consolidated, there will still be old notes with the new nomenclature.

6. Other superior descriptions (non-tariff lines), beyond HS 6-digit seem to be missing, e.g. see 2933.

7. Not all the respective 8-digit items were provided within the 4-digit category effected by an HS2002 change. This is a required part of the documentation for clarity.

8. If items in Part I, Section I-B (Tariff-rate quotas) or Part IV, Sections I, II, and III contain HS items effected by HS2002 changes, they should be included in the submission as well. Some of these may be omitted.
