70VERNMENT OF PAKISTAN DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF CUSTOMS VALUATION CUSTOM HOUSE KARACHI ******

The Collectors of Customs, Model Customs Collectorates, Appraisement (East / West)/ Port Qasim / Preventive, Karachi / Lahore (Appraisement / Preventive) / Sambrial (Sialkot) / Faisalabad / Multan / Islamabad / Hyderabad/ Quetta / Peshawar/ Gawadar/ Gilgit-Baltistan/Exports (Karachi/PQ).

Determination of Customs Values of Hair Brushes, Cleaning/Washing/Sweeping/Dusting and similar kind of Brushes and Feeder Brushes Under Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969

(VALUATION RULING NO. 1072/2017)

No.Misc/10/2016-IX

Dated: March 7, 2017.

In exercise of the powers conferred under Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969, Customs values of Hair Brushes, Cleaning/Washing/Sweeping/Dusting and similar kind of Brushes and Feeder Brushes are determined as follows: -

- 2. **Background of the valuation issue:** The customs values of Hair Brushes, Cleaning/Washing/Sweeping/Dusting and similar kind of Brushes and Feeder Brushes were determined under Section 25A of the Customs Act, 1969, vide Valuation Ruling Nos.932/2016, 933/2016 and 934/2016, dated 22-09-2016, respectively. Some importers approached this Directorate General with the request to revisit the Valuation Ruling in line with the prevailing prices in the international market. Hence this Directorate General initiated an exercise for determination of customs values of the subject goods.
- 3. Stakeholders' participation in determination of Customs values: Meeting with stakeholders was held on 24-02-2017. The stakeholders were requested to furnish the following documents before or during the course of above said meeting:-
 - A. Invoices of imports during last three months showing factual value.
 - B. Websites, names and E-mail addresses of known foreign manufacturers of the item in question through which the actual current value can be ascertained.
 - C. Copies of Contracts made / LCs opened during the last three months showing the value of item in question.
 - D. Copies of Sales Tax Invoices issued during last four months showing the difference in price (excluding duty and taxes) to substantiate that the benefit of difference in price is passed on to the local buyers.
- 4. During the meeting importers of different kinds of brushes, agitating against the previously determined customs values, claimed that the prices of the basic raw material i.e. Plastic Molding Compound ((PVC) had gone down in the international market and requested that the customs values may be determined in line with international market price trends. However, they could not furnish the corroboratory documents/evidence in support of their contentions. They requested for a fresh market inquiry from Boulton market/Marriott Road/Khori Garden etc, so that correct picture could emerge.
- 5. Method adopted to determine Customs values: Valuation methods given in Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 were followed to arrive at Customs Value of all kinds of Hair Brushes. Transaction value method provided in Section 25 (1) was found inapplicable owing wide variation in the values being declared to the customs. Identical / similar goods value

methods provided in Section 25(5) & (6) were examined for applicability to the valuation issue in the instant case which provided some reference values of the subject goods but the same could not be exclusively relied on due to wide variation in declared values of subject goods. Stakeholder's meeting was also scheduled but during the meeting very divergent point of regarding international market prices was presented. Consequently, this office conducted market inquiry in terms of Sub-section (7) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969. Accordingly, the Customs values of Hair Brushes, Cleaning/Washing/Sweeping/Dusting and similar kind of Brushes and Feeder Brushes have been determined under Section 25(7) of the Customs Act, 1969.

6. Customs values for Hair Brushes, Cleaning/Washing/Sweeping/Dusting and similar kind of Brushes and Feeder Brushes: Hair Brushes, Cleaning/Washing/Sweeping/Dusting and similar kind of Brushes and Feeder Brushes hereinafter specified, shall be assessed to duty/taxes at the following Customs Values: -

Description of goods	PCT	Proposed PCT for WeBOC	Origin	Customs Value (C&F) US\$/Kg
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Hair Brushes Cleaning/Washing/Sw		9603.9000.1000	China	4.25
		9603.9000.1100	All Other Origins	6.00
	9603.2100	9603.9000.1200	China	3.20
eeping/Dusting and similar kind of Brushes		9603.9000.1300	All Other Origins	4.50
Feeder Brushes		9603.9000.1400	China	4.80
		9603.9000.1500	All Other Origins	6.80

7. In cases where declared/transaction values are higher than the Customs values determined in this Ruling, the assessing officers shall apply those values in terms of Sub-Section (1) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969. In case of consignments imported by air, the assessing officer shall take into account the element of air freight while assessing the goods.

8. Validity of this Valuation Ruling: The values determined vide this Ruling shall be the applicable Customs value for assessment of subject imported goods until and unless it is rescinded or revised by the competent authority in terms of Sub-Sections (1) or (3) of Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969.

9. **Revision of the value determined vide this Valuation Ruling:** A revision petition may be filed against this Ruling, as provided under Section 25-D of the Customs Act, 1969, within 30 days from the date of issue of this ruling, before the Director General, Directorate General of Customs Valuation, 7th Floor, Custom House, Karachi.

10. The Collectors of Customs may kindly ensure that the values given in this Valuation Ruling for the given description of goods are applied by the concerned staff without fail. Any

anomaly observed may kindly be brought to the notice of this Directorate General immediately. Customs values determined in the ruling are for the description and specification as mentioned in the Annexure to this Valuation Ruling. HS Codes are mentioned for illustrative purposes so that valuation ruling values are made accessible to the assessing officers. The assessment shall be finalized on the basis of correct classification after fulfilling requisite formalities related to importability or any other certification required thereon. In addition to this, it is further necessary to verify that there is no mis-declaration of any sort or violation of Import Policy Order or Section 15 of the Customs Act, 1969 or any other law in vogue therein.

This Valuation Ruling supersedes Valuation Ruling No.932/2016, 933/2016, and 934/2046, dated 22-09-2016.

Director

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- 1. Member (Customs), F.B.R., Islamabad.
- 2. Director General, Customs Valuation, Custom House, Karachi.
- 3. Chief Collector of Customs, South (Appraisement), Custom House, Karachi.
- 4. Chief Collector of Customs, South (Enforcement), Custom House, Karachi.
- 5. Chief Collector of Customs (Central), Lahore.
- 6. Chief Collector of Customs (North), Islamabad.
- 7. Director General, Intelligence and Investigation-FBR, Islamabad.
- 8. Director General, Audit (Customs & Petroleum), 1st Floor, PT&T Audit Building, Mauj-e-Darya Road, Lahore.
- 09. Director General, Post Clearance Audit (PCA), Islamabad.
- 10. Director General, Internal Audit (Customs), Karachi.
- 11. Directors, Intelligence & Investigation, Karachi / Lahore / Islamabad/ Quetta Peshawar/ Faisalabad.
- 12. Director, Directorate of Customs Valuation (Camp Office), Lahore.
- 13. Deputy Director (HQ), Directorate General of Customs Valuation, Karachi, for uploading in WeBOC database system and deleting Valuation Ruling No. 932/2016, 933/2016, and 934/2046, dated 22-09-2016.
 - 14. Chairman (Valuation Committee), FPCC&I, Federation House, Clifton, Karachi.
- 15. Chambers of Commerce & Industry, Karachi, Lahore, Islamabad, Hyderabad, Ouetta, Gujranwala, Faisalabad, Sialkot, Rawalpindi & Peshawar.
- 16. Law Section, Customs Valuation, 7th Floor, Custom House, Karachi.
 17. Review Section, Customs Valuation, 7th Floor, Custom House, Karachi.
- 18. Karachi Customs Agents Group, Bohri Road, Karachi.
- 19. CHO, Customs Valuation, Custom House, Karachi.
- 20. Notice Board, Customs Valuation 7th Floor, Custom House, Karachi / MCC, Appraisement (East/West), Custom House, Karachi.
- 21. Webmaster, Federal Board of Revenue, Constitution Avenue, Islamabad, for uploading FBR website and deleting Valuation Ruling No. 932/2016, 933/2016, and 934/2046, dated 22-09-2016
- 22. Guard File.