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DETERMINATION OF CUSTOMS VALUES OF BLEACHED / UNBLEACHED KRAFT LINER BOARD & PAPER UNDER SECTION 25-A OF THE CUSTOMS ACT, 1969.

(VALUATION RULING NO. **1461** / 2020)

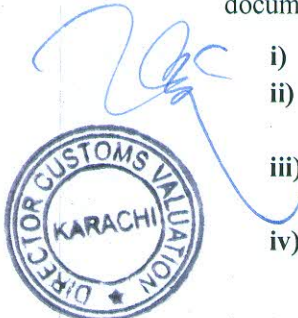
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In exercise of the powers conferred under Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969, Customs values of Bleached / Unbleached Kraft Liner Board & Paper are determined as follows:

2. **Background of the valuation issue:** Customs values of Bleached / Unbleached Kraft Liner Board & Paper were determined vide Valuation Ruling No. 989/2016 dated 07-12-2016. The ruling was old and prices in the international market were showing downward trend, as per various representations and documents submitted by importers. Therefore, an exercise was initiated to re-determine the customs values of aforementioned goods under Section 25A of the Customs Act, 1969.

3. **Stakeholder's participation in determination of Customs values:** Stakeholders meeting was scheduled on 17-07-2020. The stakeholders were requested to furnish the following documents before or during the abovementioned meeting:

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- i) Invoices of imports during last three months showing factual value.
 - ii) Websites, names and E-mail addresses of known foreign manufacturers of the item in question through which the actual current value can be ascertained.
 - iii) Copies of Contracts made / LCs opened during the last three months showing the value of items in question.
 - iv) Copies of Sales Tax Invoices issued during last three months showing the difference in price (excluding duty and taxes) to substantiate their contentions.

4. The meeting was attended by the stakeholders including importers and All Pakistan Paper Merchants Association, Karachi. It was unanimous stance of the stakeholders that the price in the international market of the subject items had decreased substantially. A number of documents including LCs, contracts. Etc. were provided to prove the said stance by importers. The matter was discussed at length and the import data available on record as well as that submitted by stakeholders was analyzed.

5. **Method adopted to determine Customs values:** Valuation methods given in Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 were followed to arrive at customs values of Bleached / Unbleached Kraft Liner Board & Paper. Transaction value method provided in Section 25 (1) was found inapplicable owing to non-fulfillment of prescribed requirements and variation in declared values submitted by stakeholders. Identical / similar goods values methods provided in Section 25(5) &

(6) were examined for applicability to the valuation issue in the instant case which provided a number of reference values of subject goods but the same could not be exclusively relied on due to certain variations in declared values of subject goods. Thereafter, market enquiries as envisaged under Section 25(7) of the Customs Act, 1969, were conducted and findings of the same were corroborated. Computed Value method as provided in Section 25 (8) of the Act, in the country of export, could not be ascertained. All the information so gathered was evaluated and analyzed for the purpose of determination of customs values of Non-Carbon Releasing Paper, Art Card/Coated Board/Paper and Light Weight Coated Papers have been determined under Section 25 (9) of the Customs Act, 1969.

6. **Customs values for Bleached / Unbleached Kraft Liner Board & Paper** - hereinafter specified shall be assessed to duty/taxes at the following minimum customs values mentioned at the following Tables A & B, respectively: -

S. No.	Description	PCT	Proposed PCT for WeBOC	Origin	Customs Value C&F (US\$/Kg)
1	Bleached White Kraft Liner Board	4804.1100 4804.1900	4804.1100.1000 4804.1900.1000	Portugal / Poland & Czech Republic	0.630
			4804.1100.1100 4804.1900.1100	Australia	0.650
			4804.1100.1200 4804.1900.1200	Sweden / Austria / France / Germany / Belgium / Finland	0.680
			4804.1100.1300 4804.1900.1300	U.K. / Ireland	0.690
			4804.1100.1400 4804.1900.1400	China	0.520
			4804.1100.1500 4804.1900.1500	USA / Canada	0.650
			4804.1100.1600 4804.1900.1600	UAE / Saudi Arabia	0.530
			4804.1100.1700 4804.1900.1700	Brazil	0.620
			4804.1100.1800 4804.1900.1800	Japan	0.700
			4804.1100.1900 4804.1900.1900	Others	0.630
2	Bleached White Kraft Liner Paper	4804.1100 4804.1900	4804.1100.2000 4804.1900.2000	Portugal / Poland & Czech Republic	0.660
			4804.1100.2100 4804.1900.2100	Australia	0.680
			4804.1100.2200 4804.1900.2200	Sweden / Austria / France / Germany / Belgium /	0.720



				Finland	
			4804.1100.2300 4804.1900.2300	U.K. /Ireland	0.730
			4804.1100.2400 4804.1900.2400	China	0.550
			4804.1100.2500 4804.1900.2500	USA / Canada	0.690
			4804.1100.2600 4804.1900.2600	UAE / Saudi Arabia	0.560
			4804.1100.2700 4804.1900.2700	Brazil	0.650
			4804.1100.2800 4804.1900.2800	Japan	0.730
			4804.1100.2900 4804.1900.2900	Others	0.660
3	Unbleached Brown Kraft Liner Board	4804.1100 4804.1900	4804.1100.3000 4804.1900.3000	Portugal / Poland & Czech Republic	0.510
			4804.1100.3100 4804.1900.3100	Australia	0.520
			4804.1100.3200 4804.1900.3200	Sweden / Austria / France / Germany / Belgium / Finland	0.530
			4804.1100.3300 4804.1900.3300	U.K. /Ireland	0.580
			4804.1100.3400 4804.1900.3400	China	0.430
			4804.1100.3500 4804.1900.3500	USA / Canada	0.530
			4804.1100.3600 4804.1900.3600	UAE / Saudi Arabia	0.440
			4804.1100.3700 4804.1900.3700	Brazil	0.520
			4804.1100.3800 4804.1900.3800	Japan	0.600
			4804.1100.3900 4804.1900.3900	Others	0.530
4	Unbleached Brown Kraft Liner Paper	4804.1100 4804.1900	4804.1100.4000 4804.1900.4000	Portugal / Poland & Czech Republic	0.560
			4804.1100.4100 4804.1900.4100	Australia	0.570
			4804.1100.4200 4804.1900.4200	Sweden / Austria / France / Germany / Belgium / Finland	0.610



		4804.1100.4300 4804.1900.4300	U.K. /Ireland	0.620
		4804.1100.4400 4804.1900.4400	China	0.460
		4804.1100.4500 4804.1900.4500	USA / Canada	0.580
		4804.1100.4600 4804.1900.4600	UAE / Saudi Arabia	0.480
		4804.1100.4700 4804.1900.4700	Brazil	0.600
		4804.1100.4800 4804.1900.4800	Japan	0.640
		4804.1100.4900 4804.1900.4900	Others	0.570


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 Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969. In case of consignments imported by air, the assessing officer shall take into account air freight while applying the Customs values determined in this Ruling.

8. **Validity of Valuation Ruling:** The values determined vide this Ruling shall be the applicable Customs values 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, 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 Directorate General immediately. Customs values determined in the ruling are for the description and specification as mentioned in the above table of this Ruling. HS Codes are mentioned for illustrative purpose 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.

11. *This ruling supersedes Valuation Ruling No. 989/2016, dated 07.12.2016.*


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Director

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7. The Chief Collector of Customs, (Enforcement & Compliance), Custom House, Quetta.
8. The Director General, Intelligence and Investigation-FBR, Islamabad.
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12. The Director, Directorate of Customs Valuation, Lahore.
13. The Deputy Director (HQ), Directorate General of Customs Valuation, Karachi, for uploading in One Customs & WeBOC database system.
14. The Chairman (Valuation Committee), FPCC&I, Federation House, Clifton, Karachi.
15. The Chambers of Commerce & Industry, Karachi, Lahore, Islamabad, Hyderabad, Quetta & Peshawar.
16. The Karachi Customs Agents Group, Bohri Road, Karachi.
17. The Webmaster, Federal Board of Revenue, Islamabad.
18. Guard File.