

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 23

EXTENDING THE EFFECTIVITY OF THE MOST-FAVOURED-NATION RATES OF DUTY ON CERTAIN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10863, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE CUSTOMS MODERNIZATION AND TARIFF ACT, AND THE OTHER PHILIPPINE COMMITMENTS UNDER THE WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION DECISION ON WAIVER RELATING TO SPECIAL TREATMENT FOR RICE OF THE PHILIPPINES

WHEREAS, the World Trade Organization (WTO) Agreement on Agriculture ("Agreement") embodies the multilateral trading rules governing agriculture;

WHEREAS, Republic Act (RA) No. 8178 or the "Agricultural Tarrification Act" adopts the use of tariffs in lieu of non-tariff import restrictions to protect local producers of agricultural products, except in the case of rice;

WHEREAS, the Philippine government secured "Special Treatment" for rice under Article 4.2 and Section B of Annex 5 of the Agreement which temporarily permitted the country to impose quantitative restrictions in the importation of rice;

WHEREAS, the Special Treatment expired on 30 June 2012 as scheduled in the Rectification and Modification of Schedule LXXV – Republic of the Philippines contained in the WTO documents G/MA/TAR/RS/99/Rev.1 dated 27 September 2006 and WT/Let/562 on 08 February 2007 but has been reinstated up to 30 June 2017 by virtue of the WTO Decision on Waiver Relating to Special Treatment for Rice of the Philippines ("Waiver") contained in WTO document WT/L/42 dated 24 July 2014;

WHEREAS, paragraphs 2-8 of the Waiver also embody the terms and conditions including the concessions on rice contained in its "Annex A" and the other concessions to reduce the Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rates of duty on certain agricultural products, and Executive Order (EO) 190 (s. 2015) was issued to implement the said tariff concessions:

- WHEREAS, on 1 July 2017, the Waiver Relating to Special Treatment for Rice shall cease to exist;
- WHEREAS, Section 1608 of RA No. 10863 authorizes the President of the Philippines, upon the recommendation of the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA), to increase, reduce or remove existing protective rates of import duty; and
- WHEREAS, the NEDA Board, during its meeting on 20 February 2017, approved the extension of the reduced rates of duty on the agricultural products in EO No. 190 for another three (3) years.
- NOW, THEREFORE, I, RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and existing laws, do hereby order:
- **SECTION 1.** Rates for Articles in Annexes A and B. From the date of effectivity of this Order, the articles specifically listed in Annexes A and B hereof, as classified under Section 1611 of RA No. 10863, which are entered or withdrawn from warehouses in the Philippines shall be subject to the MFN rates of import duty indicated in Columns 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 of said Annexes.
- **SECTION 2.** Articles represented with XXX. The Nomenclature and the rates of import duty on tariff headings not enumerated and those listed but represented by the symbol XXX shall remain in force and in effect.
- SECTION 3. Minimum Access Volume (MAV) commitments on rice. The MAV commitments of 805,200 MT on rice made in exchange for the waiver shall likewise remain in force and in effect.
- **SECTION 4. Repeal.** All other issuances, administrative rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby revoked or modified accordingly.
- SECTION 5. Separability. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.
- **SECTION 6.** Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately following its complete publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation in the Philippines, and shall be applicable until 30 June 2020 or until such time that a law amending certain provisions relating to rice tariffication in RA No. 8178 is enacted, whichever comes first, after which the MFN rates of duty as provided for in Column 8 of Annexes A and B shall then apply.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 27th day of year of our Lord Two Thousand and Seventeen.

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By the President:

SALVADOR C. MEDIALDEA
Executive Secretary

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Temporary Modification of MFN Rates of Duty on Rice

Lida	ALITAL C. J.		Rates of Duty (%)					
Hdg.	AHTN Code 2012	DESCRIPTION	2017	Starting 01 January				
No.			2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	
10.06		Rice.						
	1006.10	- Rice in the husk (paddy or rough):						
	1006.10.10	X X X						
	1006.10.90	Other:						
	1006.10.90A	In-Quota	35	35	35	35	40	
	1006.10.90B	X X X						
	1006.20	- Husked (brown) rice:						
	1006.20.10	Thai Hom Mali rice:						
	1006.20.10A	In-Quota	35	35	35	35	40	
	1006.20.10B	X X X						
	1006.20.90	Other:						
	1006.20.90A		35	35	35	35	40	
	1006.20.90B	X X X						
	1006.30	- Semi-milled or wholly milled rice,						
		whether or not polished or glazed:						
	1006.30.30	Glutinous rice:						
	1006.30.30A	In-Quota	35	35	35	35	40	
	1006.30.30B	X X X						
	1006.30.40	Thai Hom Mali rice:						
	1006.30.40A	In-Quota	35	35	35	35	40	
	1006.30.40B	X X X						
		Other:						
	1006.30.91	Parboiled rice:						
	1006.30.91A	In-Quota	35	35	35	35	40	
	1006.30.91B	X X X						
	1006.30.99	Other:			120			
	1006.30.99A	In-Quota	35	35	35	35	40	
	1006.30.99B							
	1006.40	- Broken rice:						
	1006.40.10	Of a kind used for animal feed:					-	
	1006.40.10A		35	35	35	35	40	
	1006.40.10B	X X X						
	1006.40.90	Other:	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	40	
		In-Quota	35	35	35	35	40	
	1006.40.90B	X X X						

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Hdg.	AHTN Code		Rates of Duty (%) Starting 01 January				
No.	2012	DESCRIPTION	2017	2018	2019 2020		2021
-	(0)	(2)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
(1)	(2)	(3) Edible offal of bovine animals, swine,	(4)	1 10/			
02.06		sheep, goats, horses, asses, mules or hinnies, fresh, chilled or frozen.					
	0206.10.00 to 0206.30.00						
	0200.30.00	- Of swine, frozen:					
	0206.41.00	Livers	5	5	5	5	5
	0206.49.00 to	LIVOIO					
	0206.90.00	- XXX					
02.07		Meat and edible offal, of the poultry of					
		heading 01.05, fresh, chilled or frozen. Of fowls of the species Gallus					
		domesticus:					
	0207.11.00 to						
	0207.14.30B	X X X					
		Other:	c	5	5	5	40
	0207.14.91	meat Mechanically deboned or separated	5	b	3	9	
	0207.14.99 to						
	0207.14.99B	X X X					
		- Of turkeys:					
	0207.24.00 to						
	0207.24.00B						
	0207.25.00	Not cut in pieces, frozen:	20	20	20	20	30
		In-Quota	20	20	20	20	35
		Out-Quota	20	20		-	
	0207.26.00 to	XXX					
	0207.26.00B 0207.27	Cuts and offal, frozen:					
	0207.27.10 to	Guts and onal, hozon.					
		X X X					
	0201.21.100	Other:					
	0207.27.91	Mechanically deboned or separated meat:					
	0207.27.91A	In-Quota	5	5	5	5	30
	0207.27.91B	Out-Quota	5	5	5	5	40
	0207.27.99	Other:					
		In-Quota	20	20	20	20	30
	0207.27.99B	Out-Quota	20	20	20	20	40
	0207.41.00 to						
	0207.60.00F	XXX					
02.09		Pig fat, free of lean meat, and poultry					
		fat, not rendered or otherwise					
		extracted, fresh, chilled, frozen, salted,					
		in brine, dried or smoked.	5	5	5	5	5
	0209.10.00	- Of pigs	5	5	5	5	5
	0209.90.00	- Other		,	,	200	

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11556	DESCRIPTION	0047	Starting 01 January				
2012		2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	
(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	
	Buttermilk, curdled milk and cream, yogurt, kephir and other fermented or acidified milk and cream, whether or not concentrated or containing added sugar or other sweetening matter or flavoured or containing added fruit,						
0403.10 to 0403.10.90 0403.90 0403.90.10 0403.90.90	XXX - Other: Buttermilk XXX	1	1	1	1	3	
		5	5	5	5	7	
0403.50.50	^ ^ ^ ^						
0406.10 to 0406.10.20 0406.20	Cheese and curd. X X X - Grated or powdered cheese, of all						
0406.20.10	In packages of a gross weight	1	1	1	1	3	
0406.20.90 0406.30.00 to 0406.90.00	- Other	1	1	1	1	7	
0713 10	Dried leguminous vegetables, shelled, whether or not skinned or split.						
0713.10.10 0713.10.90 0713.20 to	Suitable for sowing Other	3	3	3	3	3	
0713.90.90							
0802.31.00 0802.32.00 0802.41.00 to	not shelled or peeled. X X X - Walnuts: In shell Shelled - Chestnuts (Castanea spp.):	3 3	3 3	3 3	3 3	3 3	
	0403.10 to 0403.10.90 0403.90 0403.90.10 0403.90.90 0405.20.00 to 0405.20.00 to 0405.20.00 to 0406.20.10 0406.20.10 0406.20.90 0406.30.00 to 0406.90.00 0713.10.10 0713.10.90 0713.20 to 0713.90.90 0802.31.00 0802.32.00 0802.41.00 to 0802.32.00 0802.41.00 to	(2) (3)	2012 Suttermilk, curdled milk and cream, yogurt, kephir and other fermented or acidified milk and cream, whether or not concentrated or containing added sugar or other sweetening matter or flavoured or containing added fruit, nuts or cocoa.	AFTIN Code 2012 (3)	DESCRIPTION 2017 3 3 2019 2018 2019 2018 2019 2018 2019 2018 2019 2018 2019 2018 2019 2018 2019 2018 2019 2018 2019 2018 2019 2018 2019 2018 2019 2018 2019 2018 2019 2018 2019 2018 2019 2018 2019 2018 2019 2018 2019	Carrier	

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No.			2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
08.06	1 (2)	Grapes, fresh or dried.	(4)	(0)	1 (0)	1.7	1
	0806.10.00 0806.20.00	- Fresh - X X X	7	7	7	7	7
12.05		Rape or colza seeds, whether or not broken.					
	1205.10.00 1205.90.00	- Low erucic acid rape or colza seeds - Other	1	1	1	1	1
12.08	1000 10 00	Flours and meals of oil seeds or oleaginous fruits, other than those of mustard.					
	1208.10.00 1208.90.00	- X X X - Other	3	3	3	3	3
15.14		Rape, colza or mustard oil and fractions thereof, whether or not refined, but not chemically modified. - Low erucic acid rape or colza oil and its fractions:					
	1514.11.00 1514.19	Crude oil Other:	3	3	3	3	3
	1514.19.10	Fractions of unrefined oil	3	3	3	3	3
	1514.19.90	Other - Other:	3	3	3	3	3
	1514.91 1514.91.10	Crude oil:	2	2	2	2	2
	1514.91.90	Other rape or colza oil	3	3	3 3	3	3
	1514.99	Other:	3	3	3	3	3
	1514.99.10	Fractions of unrefined oil	3	3	3	3	3
	1514 99 91	Other rape or colza oil	3	3	3	3	3
	1514.99.99	Other	3	3	3	3	3
16.02		Other prepared or preserved meat, meat offal or blood.					
	1602.10 to 1602.20.00	X X X - Of poultry of heading 01.05:					
	1602.31 1602.31.10	Of turkeys: X X X Other:					
	1602.31.91	Mechanically deboned or separated meat	5	5	5	5	40
	1602.31.99 to 1602.90.90B	XXX					

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No.			2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	
20.04	2004.10.00	Other vegetables prepared or preserved otherwise than by vinegar or acetic acid, frozen, other than products of heading 20.06. Potatoes	0	0	0	0	10	
	2004.90 to 2004.90.90	X X X						
23.06		Oil-cake and other solid residues, whether or not ground or in the form of pellets, resulting from the extraction of vegetable fats or oils, other than those of heading 23.04 or 23.05.						
	2306.10.00 to	**************************************						
	2306.30.00	- XXX - Of rape or colza seeds:						
	2306.41	Of low erucic acid rape or colza seeds:						
	2306.41.10	Of low erucic acid rape seeds	1	1	1	1	3	
	2306.41.20 2306.49	Of low erucic acid colza seeds Other:	1	1	1	1		
	2306.49.10	Of other rape seeds	1	1	1	1	3	
	2306.49.20 2306.50.00 to 2306.90.90	Of other colza seeds	1	1	1	1	3	

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 123

MODIFYING THE RATES OF IMPORT DUTY ON CERTAIN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS UNDER SECTION 1611 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10863, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE CUSTOMS MODERNIZATION AND TARIFF ACT

WHEREAS, Executive Order (EO) No. 82 (s. 2019) reduced the rates of duty on mechanically deboned meat of chicken and turkey, among others, to 5%, until 31 December 2020:

WHEREAS, in view of the continuing crisis brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic, there is an urgent need to adopt measures aimed towards mitigating the adverse impacts of the current situation on the lives and livelihoods of Filipinos;

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Government to provide an enabling environment that ensures the continued supply of essential food products at stable prices, helps businesses recover and sustain their operations, and preserves and creates employment opportunities, all for the purpose of supporting the economy in bouncing back and resuming its growth momentum;

WHEREAS, Section 1608 of Republic Act (RA) No. 10863 authorizes the President, in the interest of general welfare and national security, and upon the recommendation of the National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA), to increase, reduce or remove existing rates of import duty; and

WHEREAS, the NEDA Board recommends maintaining the tariff rates under EO No. 82 for mechanically deboned meat of chicken falling under AHTN 2017 subheading 0207.14.91, and mechanically deboned meat of turkey falling under AHTN 2017 subheadings 0207.27.91A and 0207.27.91B;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Rates of Import Duty. The articles specifically listed in Annex A hereof, as classified in compliance with Section 1611 of RA No. 10863, shall be subject to the Most Favoured Nation (MFN) rates of import duty in accordance with the schedule indicated opposite each article.

SECTION 2. Articles Represented with "X X X". The rates of import duty on tariff headings and subheadings which are not listed in Annex A hereof, and those listed but represented by the symbol "X X X" shall remain in force and in effect.

SECTION 3. Levy on Articles. Upon the effectivity of this Order, all articles which are specifically listed in Annex A hereof and are entered into, or withdrawn from warehouses in the Philippines for consumption, shall be levied the MFN rates of duty as therein prescribed.

SECTION 4. Repeal. All other issuances, administrative rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 5. Separability. If any provision of this Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

SECTION 6. Effectivity. This Order shall take effect immediately after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation, and shall be applicable until 31 December 2022.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 15th day of January in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty One.

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By the President:

SALVADOR C. MEDIALDEA
Executive Secretary





		·	Rates of Duty (%)		
Hdg. No.	AHTN Code 2017	Description	2021	Starting 01 January 2023	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)		

02.07		Meat and edible offal, of the poultry of heading 01.05, fresh, chilled or frozen. Of fowls of the species Gallus domesticus:				
	0207.11.00 to	XXX				
	0207.11.00 to	7				
	0207.14	Cuts and offal, frozen:				
	0207.14.10 to	X X X		•		
	0207.14.10 to					
	0207.14.500	Other:				
	0207.14.91	Mechanically deboned or				
	0207111101	separated meat	5	= Z:	40	
	0207.14.99 to	XXX				
	0207.14.99B					
		- Of turkeys:				
	0207.24.00 to	XXX				
	0207.27.10B					
		Other:				
	0207.27.91	Mechanically deboned or				
		separated meat:				
	0207.27.91A	In-Quota	5		30	
	0207.27.91B	 Out-Quota	5		40	
	0207.27.99 to	XXX				
	0207.27.99B					
		- X X X:				
	0207.41.00 to	XXX:				
	0207.60.00F					