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## Safeguard Tariff Updates

Dear Valued U.S. Import Customer,

### Section 301 List 1 Exclusions Added, Technical Corrections Made

The Office of the U.S. Trade Representative (USTR) published a list of 4 exclusions just approved on List 1 commodities. The exclusion status is retroactive to July 6, 2018 and will expire October 2, 2020.

In addition, quite a few technical corrections were made to notate tariff number changes. The changes allow duty-free status for all tariff numbers applicable to the excluded commodity during their effective dates of the safeguard period.

Also a few technical corrections covered value, size or description of excluded commodities. For example: HTS 8536.41.0045 – Contactors, for a voltage not exceeding 60 V and with contacts rated at or more than 10A, each valued not over \$39 (was \$18).

Entries not yet liquidated for updated commodities should be checked to see if they are covered under an exclusion that would eliminate the safeguard duty.

The full notice can be found [here](#).

### Section 301 European Union (EU) Tariff Changes

After a review of the action and public comments received, the USTR announced Friday, February 14, 2020 that the safeguard duty rate on certain large civil aircraft from France, Germany, Spain and the United Kingdom will increase to 15% effective March 18, 2020. The USTR also modified the list of other products of certain current and former EU member states that currently carry 25% additional duties, to be effective March 5, 2020:

- HTS 9903.89.52 / HTS 8214.90.60 – added Other cutlery; Cleavers and the like; Other (than cleavers with their handles), and
- HTS 2009.89.40 – deleted Fruit juices; Prune juice.

The current rate of duty of 25% will not be increased at this time, but the USTR can revise that action if the EU imposes additional duties on U.S. products in connection with the dispute or the EU's World Trade Organization (WTO) challenge.

Copy of the prepublication notice can be found [here](#).

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### Additional Section 301 Exclusions Added for List 3 Products

The USTR has issued a prepublication notice of 47 additional product exclusions for List 3 commodities. These exclusions are retroactive to September 24, 2018 and will expire August 7, 2020.

In addition, several technical corrections will be made to fix errors to the descriptions on anti-vibration control components, dog leads, and electric household table or desk lamps with a charging pad or USB port.

Full details on the new exclusions can be found [here](#).

Thank you for being our Valued Customer. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact your C.H. Robinson commercial representative for further information.

Sincerely,  
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