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## Hong Kong Trade Status to End, Goods Considered Chinese Origin

Dear Valued U.S. Import Customer,

On July 14, 2020, President Donald Trump signed an executive order that ended Hong Kong's special trade status with the United States, requiring all goods to be declared as Chinese origin and will be subject to Section 301, antidumping and countervailing duties. Agencies responsible for executing the changes have 15 days to "commence all appropriate actions to further the purposes of the order."

The executive order states that "..the Special Administrative Region of Hong Kong (Hong Kong) is no longer sufficiently autonomous to justify differential treatment in relation to the People's Republic of China (PRC or China) under the particular United States laws and provisions thereof set out in this order." In May 2020, the Trump administration directed government agencies to make the necessary policy changes after China imposed national security legislation in Hong Kong.

The President's executive order on Hong Kong Normalization 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, C.H. Robinson

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