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Section 301 Exclusion – New Updates

Dear Valued U.S. Import Customer,

The Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR) and the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) has issued relevant announcements related to the Section 301 duties and exclusions.

New Exclusions and Technical Amendments Announced

- July 15, 2020 - Technical amendments and guidance published for List 3 exclusions.
 - [CSMS #43464503](#) and Federal Register Notice [85 FR 42968](#)
- July 17, 2020 – Additional product exclusions and technical amendments to List 4.
 - [CSMS #43401456](#) and Federal Register Notice [85 FR 41658](#)
- July 17, 2020 – Guidance published for List 1 – 6th tranche of product exclusions extended to December 31, 2020 (previous exclusion number 9903.88.11; now 9903.88.52).
 - [CSMS #43400564](#) and Federal Register Notice [85 FR 41267](#)

Hong Kong Normalization Executive Order Will Not Increase Tariffs

As reported by *International Trade Today* on July 23, 2020, an email from a senior administration official, the Executive Order will not increase tariffs on goods of Hong Kong origin. “The July 14, 2020, Executive Order on Hong Kong Normalization does not provide for new U.S. tariffs on goods from Hong Kong,” the official said. “The Administration will continue to evaluate and adjust our policies as conditions warrant.” Please see to C.H. Robinson’s 7/17/20 client advisory “Hong Kong Trade Status to End, Goods Considered Chinese Origin” for the original announcement.

Section 301 Exclusions Expiring Soon

Over 1,700 product exclusions are set to expire over the next few months unless USTR extends any of the deadlines. Infographic below provides a breakdown of the number of exclusions that will expire on each list.

List	July 31	August 7	September 1	September 20
1 – 25% Duty Rate				307
2 – 25% Duty Rate	69			89
3 – 25% Duty Rate		1032		
4 – 7.5% Duty Rate			206	

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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.

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