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<u>Determination of Customs Values of Transmission Group, Brake Assembly, Steering & Suspension and Body Parts Group (Replacement Auto Parts) Under Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969.</u>

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In exercise of the powers conferred under Section 25A of the Customs Act, 1969, custom values of Transmission Group, Brake Assembly, Steering & Suspension and Body Parts Group (Replacement Auto Parts) are determined as follows:

Background of the Valuation Issue: Earlier the Customs values of Replacement Auto 2. Parts were determined vide Valuation Ruling No.1193/2017 dated 07.07.2017. A number of representations were received from importers namely M/s. Allied Trading Co., M/s. Universal Auto Engineering, M/s. A. B. Memon & Sons and others, wherein they desired that values of the Replacement Auto Parts need to be realigned by taking into consideration the category of Light Transport Vehicle (LTV) and Heavy Transport Vehicle (HTV) replacement auto parts separately in accordance with the prevailing international market prices. They further stated that in the existing valuation ruling the Customs values of the subject goods were increased despite the fact that the prices of iron & steel and other raw materials were declining in international markets. They contended that the view point of Pakistan Auto Spare Parts Importers and Dealers Association (PASPIDA) and commercial importers were not taken into account while issuing the existing Valuation Ruling. They further pointed out that the market survey conducted was not comprehensive and the quality, weight and market price of LTV and HTV were not focused fu'ly by the department. They requested to determine the applicable customs values afresh in accordance with the trend of values in the international markets of replacement auto parts of Light Transport Vehicles (LTV) and Heavy Transport Vehicles (HTV).

They have successfully argued before the Director General for separately determining the customs values of replacement auto parts for HTVs and LTVs. Consequently the ruling was remanded for redetermination of customs values of subject items with reference to HTV and LTV.

- 3. Stakeholders' Participation in Determination of Customs Values: Numerous meetings with stakeholders, including representatives of clearance collectorates, were held in this Directorate General. The importers / stakeholders had been requested to submit the following documents before or during the course of stakeholders meetings so that customs values could be determined:
  - i) Invoices of imports during last three months showing customs 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 item in question.
- iv) Copies of Sales Tax Invoices issued during last four months showing the difference in price (excluding duty and taxes) to substantiate their contentions.
- 4. The importers contested their point of view as briefed above and submitted that the replacement Auto Parts values may be rationalized according to market prices since the raw material prices and manufacturing cost have decreased due to technology advancement; magnitude of import and after sale demand of goods of China and other origins. The representatives from clearance Collectorates contended that customs values are already on the lower side and most of the values in the existing ruling have been determined after feedback from different stakeholders. However, they conceded that the difference between HTV and LTV vehicles needs to be re-determined. The view point of all participants was heard in detail and considered to arrive at Customs value for subject goods.
- Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 were duly applied in their regular sequential order to arrive at customs values of subject goods. The transaction value method as provided in Sub-Section (1) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 was found inapplicable due to wide variation of values displayed in the import data. Hence requisite information required under law was not available to arrive at the correct transaction value. Therefore, identical / similar goods value method as provided in Sub-Sections (5) & (6) of Section 25 ibid were examined for applicability to the valuation issue in the instant case but due to wide variations in declarations this method could not be relied upon exclusively. In line with the statutory sequential order of Section 25, this office conducted market inquiries under Sub-Section (7) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969. As there were certain differences in prices in different markets therefore, a number of surveys were conducted to arrive at customs values. Finally reliance had to be made on Sub-Section (7) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 to determine customs values of Transmission Group, Brake Assembly, Steering & Suspension and Body Parts Group (Replacement Auto Parts).
- 6. Customs Values for Transmission Group/Brake Assembly/ Steering & Suspension and Body Parts Group (Replacement Auto Parts): Transmission Group/Brake Assembly/ Steering & Suspension and Body Parts Group (Replacement Auto Parts) hereinafter specified shall be assessed to duty / taxes at the following Customs Values:-

S#	Description of goods	PCT Code	Proposed PCT for WeBOC	Origin	Customs values (C&F) US\$/Kg
1	2	3	4	5	6
				5. 994	
	Clutch Disc. Clutch Cover.	1			0.00 500 0000
	Clutch Disc, Clutch Cover, Gears, Axle Shafts,	8483.6010	8483.6010.1000	China	(a) 3.00 (b) 2.75
	A STATE OF THE STA	8708.9310	8708.9310.1000	China	(a) 3.00 (b) 2.75
(i)	Gears, Axle Shafts,	New Transfer of Asset Checks		China  Malaysia, Thailand.	1

		8708.5090 8483.6092 8708.9990	8708.5090.1000 8483.6092.1000 8708.9990.1000	Japan	(a) 4.05 (b) 3.70
				Europe	(a) 4.55 (b) 4.15
				Other origins	(a) 3.36 (b) 3.05
(ii)	Ring Synchronizer	8409.9140	8409.9140.1000	China	5.73
				Malaysia. Thailand, Indonesia, Korea, Taiwan	7.50
				Japan	11.25
				Europe	12.50
				Other origins	7.50
(iii)	Other Transmission Par	*ts 8708.4090	8708.4090.1100	China	(a) 3.13 (b) 2.85
<b>\</b>	<ul><li>(a) Light Transport Vehicle (LT</li><li>(b) Heavy Transport Vehicle (H</li></ul>		×	Malaysia. Thailand, Indonesia. Korea, Taiwan	(a) 3.50 (b) 3.20
	-			Japan	(a) 3.75 (b) 3.40
			•	Europe	(a) 4.74 (b) 4.30
	*			Other origins	(a) 3.50 (b) 3.20
	0	B) Brake Asse	embly Group.		
(i)	Brake Disc Pads		(1)	China	(a) 2.28 (b) 2.17
	Brake Shoe Brake Disc Rotor	6813.2020 8708.3010	6813.2020.1000 8708.3010.1000 8708.3020.1000	Malaysia, Thailand. Indonesia, Korea, Taíwan	(a) 2.73 (b) 2.60
	Brake Drums	8708.3020 8708.3031	8708.3020.1000	Japan	(a) 3.80 (b) 3.62
	(a) Light Transport Vehicle (LTV)	8708.3032 8708.3039	8708.3032.1000 8708.3039.1000	W. Europe	(a) 4.18 (b) 3.98
	(b) Heavy Transport Vehicle (HTV)			Other origins	(a) 2.73 (b) 2.60

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(ii)	Other Brake Parts.  (a) Light Transport Vehicle (LTV)  (b) Heavy Transport Vehicle (HTV)	8708.3010 8708.3020 8708.3031 8708.3039	8708.3010.1100 8708.3020.1100 8708.3031.1100 8708.3039.1100	China  Malaysia, Thailand, Indonesia, Korea, Taiwan  Japan  W. Europe  Other origins	(a) 2.28 (b) 2.17 (a) 2.73 (b) 2.60 (a) 3.62 (b) 3.80 (a) 4.18 (b) 3.98
	(C) :	Steering & Sus	l pension Group.		
(i)	Tie Rod Ends,	8708.5010	8708.5010.1100	China	(a) 2.93 (b) 2.60
	Ball Joints' Rack End' Suspension Arms.	8708.9990 8708.8010	8708.9990.1100 8708.8010.1000 8708.8020.1000	Malaysia, Thailand, Indonesia, Korea, Taiwan	(a) 3.51 (b) 3.10
	(a) Light Transport Vehicle (LTV)	8708.8020 8708.8090	8708.8020.1000	Japan	(a) 3.78 (b) 3.35
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		=		Other origins	(a) 3.51 (b) 3.10
(ii)	Shock Absorber	8708.8010	8708.8010.1100	China	3.00
	(STURTS)	8708.8020 8708.8090	8708.8020.1100 8708.8090.1100	Malaysia, Thailand, Indonesia, Korea, Taiwan	3.20
			V	Japan	3.30
				Europe	4.30
2	3:		De la companya della companya della companya de la companya della	Other origins	3.20

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(iii)	Others Steering & Suspension Parts.  (a) Light Transport Vehicle (LTV) (b) Heavy Transport Vehicle (HTV)	8708.8010 8708.8020 8708.8090 8708.9410 8708.9490 8708.9990	8708.8010.1200 8708.8020.1200 8708.8090.1200 8708.9410.1000 8708.9490.1000 8708.9990.1200	China  Malaysia, Thailand, Indonesia, Korea, Taiwan  Japan  Europe  Other origins	(a) 2.93 (b) 2.60 (a) 3.51 (b) 3.10 (a) 3.78 (b) 3.35 (a) 5.12 (b) 4.50
		(D) Pody Par	ts Croup		(0) 5.10
(i)		(D) Body Par	is Group.	r	
alux?	Fender, Bonnet / Head, Front Grill, Bumper, Trunk Lid (Dikky), Doors	8708.2931 8708.2939 8708.1020 8413.1090	8708.2931.1000 8708.2939.1000 8708.1020.1000 8413.1090.1000	Malaysia, Thailand, Indonesia, Korea, Taiwan  Japan  Europe  Other origins	2.60 3.12 4.34 4.78 3.12
(ii)	Other Body Parts	8708.2939	8708.2939.1100 	China  Malaysia, Thailand, Indonesia, Korea, Taiwan	3.12
			79	Japan Europe	4.34
	~			Other origins	3.12

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 Sub-Section (1) of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 and the same may be communicated to this Directorate General forthwith. In case of consignments imported by air, the assessing officer shall take into account the differential between air freight and sea freight while applying the Customs values determined in this Ruling.

- 8. **Validity of this Valuation Ruling:** The values determined vide this Ruling shall be the applicable Customs value 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:** This Valuation Ruling is appealable under the law and a revision petition may be filed against this Ruling, under Section 25-D of the Customs Act, 1969, within 30 days from the date of issue of this ruling before the Director General, Directorate General of Customs Valuation, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Custom House, Karachi.
- 10. The Collectors of Customs may kindly ensure that the values given in the 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. The Customs values determined in the Valuation Ruling are for the descriptions and specifications as mentioned herein, HS Codes are mentioned for illustrative purposes so that Valuation Ruling values are made accessible to the assessing officers. The assessment shall be finalized in the correct classifications after fulfilling requisite formalities relating to importability or other certifications 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 of the Customs Act, 1969 or any other law in vogue therein.

11. This ruling supersedes Valuation Ruling No.1193/2017, dated 07-07-2017 to the extent of items mentioned in this Valuation Ruling.

(Muhammad Iqbal Muneeb)

Director

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i. The Member (Customs), F.B.R., Islamabad.

ii. The Director General, Customs Valuation, Custom House, Karachi.

- iii. The Chief Collector of Customs, South (Appraisement), Custom House, Karachi.
- iv. The Chief Collector of Customs, South (Enforcement), Custom House, Karachi.
- v. The Chief Collector of Customs (Central), Lahore.
- vi. The Chief Collector of Customs (North), Islamabad.
- vii. The Director General, Intelligence and Investigation-FBR, Islamabad.
- viii. The Director General, Audit (Customs & Petroleum), 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, PT&T Audit Building, Mauj-e-Darya Road, Lahore.
- ix. The Director General, Post Clearance Audit (PCA), Islamabad.
- x. The Director General, Internal Audit (Customs), Karachi.
- xi. The Directors, Intelligence & Investigation, Karachi / Lahore / Islamabad/ Quetta Peshawar/ Faisalabad.
- xii. The Director, Directorate of Customs Valuation (Camp Office), Lahore.
- xiii. The Deputy Director (HQ), Directorate General of Customs Valuation, Karachi, for uploading in One Customs & WeBOC database system and deleting items mentioned in this Valuation Ruling from Valuation Ruling No. 1193/2017, dated 07-07-2017 from the system on the date of issue of this ruling.
- xiv. The Chairman (Valuation Committee), FPCC&I, Federation House, Clifton, Karachi.
- xv. The Chambers of Commerce & Industry, Karachi, Lahore, Islamabad, Hyderabad, Quetta & Peshawar.
- xvi. Law Section, Customs Valuation, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Custom House, Karachi.