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Determination of Customs Values of Toiletries/Face/Talcum Powder, Face and Skin Creams/Lotions, Tooth Paste, After Shave, Shaving Cream/Gel/Foam, Soap in other Forms and Facial Wash Under Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969

(VALUATION RULING NO. 14/10/2019)

No. Mise/41/2007-11

Dated: 01-11-2019

In exercise of the powers conferred under Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969, Customs values of Face/Talcum Powder, Face and Skin Creams/Lotions, Tooth Paste, After Shave, Shaving Cream/Gel/Foam, Soap in other Forms and Facial Wash are determined as follows:

2. Background of the valuation issue: Customs values of aforementioned items were earlier determined through Valuation Ruling No. 848/2016 dated 06.05.2016. The values given in the valuation ruling, being too old, needed re-determination because the said values did not reflect the prevailing prices in international markets. Moreover, the Federal Board of Revenue vide CGO 15/2019 & CGO 17/2019 dated 13-09-2019 and 19-09-2019 respectively changed the Unit of Measurement (UOM) of a number of PCT codes, including some of those falling under said valuation ruling, for assessment purposes. This necessitated re-determination of values of items to bring them in conformity with the said CGOs. Keeping in view the above factors, this Directorate General initiated an exercise for re-determination of the Customs Values of subject items.

3. Stakeholders’ participation in determination of Customs values: Meetings with stakeholders, including the importers and the representatives from the field formations and trade bodies, were held on 23.10.2018, 02.04.2019 & 21.10.2019 to discuss the valuation of the subject goods. The stakeholders were also requested to furnish the following documents before or during the course of above said meetings:

i. Invoices of imports during last three months showing factual 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 meetings were attended by different stakeholders. Most of the participants contended that values are already on the higher side and, if further increased, will lead to the imports from illegal channels. They requested that the values mentioned in the ruling should either be reduced or maintained. When asked to submit Sales Tax Invoices and other corroboratory evidences to substantiate their claim, none was provided despite lapse of considerable time. However, the participants provided various proposals to convert the units of measurements (UOM) from kilogram to unit/per piece basis which was considered and discussed in detail.
3. **Method adopted to determine Customs values**: Valuation methods provided in 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 variations of values displayed in the import data. Moreover, the stakeholders did not provide substantial documents to establish the correct transaction value of the goods. Thereafter, identical/similar goods value methods as provided in Sub-Sections (5) & (6) of Section 25 ibid were examined for applicability to the valuation issue in the instant case. The wide variations in declarations were observed. Information available was hence, found inappropriate. 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. Consequently, Customs values of the subject items have been determined under section 25 (7) of the Customs Act, 1969 accordingly.

6. Customs values for Face/Talcum Powder, Face and Skin Creams/Lotions, Tooth Paste, After Shave, Shaving Cream/ Gel/ Foam, Soap in other Forms and Facial Wash of brands here in after specified shall be assessed to duty/taxes at the Customs Values mentioned separately for each brands category herein below:

### A-CATEGORY BRANDS


### B-CATEGORY BRANDS

C-Category Brands

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>S.No.</th>
<th>Item Description</th>
<th>Standard Weight/Volume of Unit/Pc (net content)</th>
<th>PCT</th>
<th>Proposed PCT for WeBOC</th>
<th>Customs Values (C&amp;F) USS/Pe (net content weight/volume)</th>
<th>All Origin</th>
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<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>Talcum Powder</td>
<td>250</td>
<td>3304.9120</td>
<td>3304.9120.1000</td>
<td>0.85 0.75 0.40</td>
<td>A B C</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>Lotions</td>
<td>250</td>
<td>3304.9910</td>
<td>3304.9910.1000</td>
<td>3.30 1.40 0.45</td>
<td>A B C</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>Cleanser/Cleansing Milk</td>
<td>200</td>
<td>3304.9910</td>
<td>3304.9910.1100</td>
<td>2.65 1.10 0.40</td>
<td>A B C</td>
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<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>Face/Skin Cream/Serum (including whitening and lightening Cream)</td>
<td>100</td>
<td>3304.9910</td>
<td>3304.9910.1200</td>
<td>1.30 0.55 0.20</td>
<td>A B C</td>
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<td>5</td>
<td>Face/Skin Tonic Toner/Gel</td>
<td>150</td>
<td>3304.9910</td>
<td>3304.9910.1300</td>
<td>2.00 0.80 0.25</td>
<td>A B C</td>
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<td>6</td>
<td>Facial Foam/Mask/Scrub</td>
<td>150</td>
<td>3304.9910</td>
<td>3304.9910.1400</td>
<td>2.00 0.85 0.25</td>
<td>A B C</td>
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<td>7</td>
<td>Makeup Remover</td>
<td>100</td>
<td>3304.9910</td>
<td>3304.9910.1500</td>
<td>1.30 0.55 0.20</td>
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<td>8</td>
<td>Tooth paste</td>
<td>150</td>
<td>3306.1010</td>
<td>3306.1010.1000</td>
<td>0.70 0.50 0.20</td>
<td>A B C</td>
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<td>9</td>
<td>After Shave</td>
<td>100</td>
<td>3307.1000</td>
<td>3307.1000.1000</td>
<td>2.20 0.90 0.40</td>
<td>A B C</td>
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<td>10</td>
<td>Shaving Cream</td>
<td>200</td>
<td>3307.1000</td>
<td>3307.1000.1100</td>
<td>1.20 1.00 0.40</td>
<td>A B C</td>
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<td>11</td>
<td>Shaving Gel/Foam</td>
<td>300</td>
<td>3307.1000</td>
<td>3307.1000.1200</td>
<td>1.65 1.25 0.70</td>
<td>A B C</td>
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<td>12</td>
<td>Liquid Soap/Wash/Hand Wash/Shower Gel/Body Wash</td>
<td>300</td>
<td>3401.2000</td>
<td>3401.2000.1000</td>
<td>0.40 0.35 0.25</td>
<td>A B C</td>
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<td>13</td>
<td>Face Wash</td>
<td>100</td>
<td>3401.3000</td>
<td>3401.3000.1000</td>
<td>0.50 0.35 0.15</td>
<td>A B C</td>
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Notes:

i. The Customs values shall be assessed on the basis of standard packing weight/piece given in column 2 of above tables. The items containing weight different from said weight may be assessed on prorata basis.

ii. The above values do not apply to the imports made directly by Multinational Companies from their sister concern of same name. Such consignments shall be assessed in accordance with provisions of Section 25 of the Customs Act, 1969 and kept under close watch. Any anomaly observed may be taken cognizance of and reported to this Directorate General.

iii. Consignments of Brands not mentioned in the above table may be assessed by the clearance Collectorate under Section 25 of the Act. However, in case the assessable customs values of such goods cannot be determined by the Collectorate, then Section 81 of the Customs Act, 1969 may be invoked and the transaction be referred to this Directorate for determination of its actual value and finalization.

iv. If any Product is imported in form of a GIFT SET, the same shall be assessed according to the PCT of each item separately available in the set, against the values mentioned in this valuation ruling.

v. Variant of aforementioned shall be assessed on the value determined for the main brand.

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. 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 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-Section (1) or (3) of Section 25-A of the Customs Act, 1969.

9. Revision of the value determined vide this Valuation Ruling: A revision petition may be filed against this Ruling, as provided 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, 7th Floor, Custom House, Karachi.

10. The Collectors of Customs may kindly ensure that the values given in this Valuation 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 this Directorate General immediately. Customs values determined in the ruling are for the descriptions and specifications as mentioned in this Valuation Ruling. HS Codes are mentioned for illustrative purposes so that Valuation Ruling values are made accessible to the assessing officers. The assessment shall be finalized on the basis of correct classification after fulfilling requisite formalities related to importability or any other certifications required thereon. In addition to this, it is necessary to verify that there is no misdeclaration of any sort or violation of Import Policy Order or Section 15 of the Customs Act, 1969 or any other law in vogue therein.
10. This Valuation Ruling supersedes Valuation Ruling No.848/2016 dated 06-05-2016.

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2. Director General, Customs Valuation, Custom House, Karachi.
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7. Chief Collector of Customs (Quetta).
8. Director General, Intelligence and Investigation-FBR, Islamabad.
9. Director General, Post Clearance Audit (PCA),& Internal audit, Karachi.
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11. Chairman (Valuation Committee), FPCC&I, Federation House, Clifton, Karachi.
13. Webmaster, Federal Board of Revenue, Constitution Avenue, Islamabad, for uploading on FBR website and deleting superseded Valuation and their corrigendum.