## Amendments to the Harmonized System Explanatory Notes – HS Committee 61<sup>st</sup> Session

The following list contains the decisions taken by the Harmonized System Committee (61<sup>st</sup> Session – March 2018) concerning amendments to the Harmonized System Explanatory Notes, <u>applicable as of 1 June 2018</u>. This publication will be updated regularly.

The Harmonized System Explanatory Notes are published by WCO in 5 volumes (2017 edition) and reflect the official interpretation of the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System. They also contain the text of the Subheading Explanatory Notes indicating the scope and content of certain of the Harmonized System Subheadings. The Explanatory Notes are available in English and French, the two official languages of the WCO, and can be ordered directly (see "Bookshop" on this Web site). They are also available on-line.

The amendments listed below are reproduced in the order of the current pages concerned and will be incorporated into the aforementioned WCO publications in due time by replacing the pages affected by the amendments made.

#### Advice

Parties seeking to import or export merchandise covered by a decision are advised to verify the implementation of the decision by the importing or exporting country, as the case may be.

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#### AMENDMENTS TO THE EXPLANATORY NOTES

### CHAPTER 12.

Heading 12.11. Page II-1211-2. Second exclusion paragraph.

Delete and substitute:

"This heading also excludes:

- (a) mixtures consisting of different species of plants or parts of plants of this heading of a kind used for seasoning sauces (heading 21.03);
- (b) the following products of a kind used either directly for flavouring beverages or for preparing extracts for the manufacture of beverages :
  - (i) mixtures consisting of different species of plants or parts of plants of this heading (heading 21.06); and
  - (ii) mixtures of plants or parts of plants of this heading with vegetable products falling in other Chapters (e.g., Chapters 7, 9, 11) (**Chapter 9** or **heading 21.06**)."

### CHAPTER 21.

Heading 21.03. Page IV-2103-1. Part (A). Fifth paragraph. New last sentence.

Insert the following new last sentence:

"This heading also covers mixtures of plants or parts of plants of heading 12.11 of a kind used for seasoning sauces.".

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# CHAPTER 90.

Page XVIII-9030-6. Heading 90.30. New Subheading Explanatory Note.

Insert the following new Subheading Explanatory Note after the last paragraph:

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### Subheading Explanatory Note.

### Subheading 9030.82

This subheading also covers instruments and apparatus for measuring or checking integrated circuits.".

Page XVIII-9031-6. Heading 90.31. New Subheading Explanatory Note.

Insert the following new Subheading Explanatory Note:

# "Subheading 9031.41

This subheading also covers optical instruments and appliances for inspecting integrated circuits.".

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