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The following changes have taken effect since the March 1999 printing of the U.S. Generalized System of Preferences (GSP) Guidebook:

CHANGES IN THE LIST OF GSP BENEFICIARIES

BENEFICIARY	ACTION	EFFECTIVE	REFERENCE	ISSUE DATE
Cambodia	Add to ASEAN	Jul 1, 1999	64 FR 36229-35	7-02-99
Congo (Brazzaville)	Change Name	Jul 1, 1999	64 FR 36229-35	
Congo (Kinshasa)	Change Name from Zaire	Jul 1, 1999	64 FR 36229-35	
Gabon	Designate BDC	Jul 1, 1999	64 FR 36229-35	
Mauritania	Reinstate (LDBDC)	Sep 1, 1999	64 FR 36229-35	
Mongolia	Designate BDC	Jul 1, 1999	64 FR 36229-35	
Zaire	Change Name to Congo (Kinshasa)	"	64 FR 36229-35	
Belarus	Suspend	Sep 11, 2000	65 FR 42595-96	7-10-00
French Polynesia	Graduate	Jan 1, 2002	65 FR 42595-96	
Malta	Graduate	Jan 1, 2002	65 FR 42595-96	
New Caledonia	Graduate	Jan 1, 2002	65 FR 42595-96	
Slovenia	Graduate	Jan 1, 2002	65 FR 42595-96	
Nigeria	Designate BDC	Aug 27, 2000	65 FR 52903	8-30-00
AGOA beneficiaries	Designate AGOA BDCs	Oct 2, 2000	65 FR 59321-27	10-04-00
Eritrea	Designate BDC	Oct 2, 2000	65 FR 59321-27	
AGOA beneficiaries	Designate AGOA BDCs	Dec 21, 2000	65 FR 80723-32	12-21-00
	Symbol "D" in HTSUS			
Georgia	Designate BDC	Jul 1, 2001	66 FR 35365	7-05-01
Ukraine	Suspend	Aug 24, 2001	66 FR 42246-50	8-10-01
Afghanistan	Designate BDC	Jan 29, 2003	68 FR 1949-54	1-14-03
Afghanistan	Designate LDBDC	Feb 13, 2003	68 FR 1949-54	
Chile	Terminate-FTA	Jan 1, 2004	Free Trade Agreement	
Algeria	Designate BDC	Mar 16, 2004	69 FR 10131-32	3-04-04
Czech Republic	Terminate BDC-joins EU	May 1, 2004	69 FR 10131-32	
Estonia	Terminate BDC-joins EU	May 1, 2004	69 FR 10131-32	
Hungary	Terminate BDC-joins EU	May 1, 2004	69 FR 10131-32	
Latvia	Terminate BDC-joins EU	May 1, 2004	69 FR 10131-32	
Lithuania	Terminate BDC-joins EU	May 1, 2004	69 FR 10131-32	
Poland	Terminate BDC-joins EU	May 1, 2004	69 FR 10131-32	
Slovakia	Terminate BDC-joins EU	May 1, 2004	69 FR 10131-32	
Antigua & Barbuda	Graduate	Jan 1, 2006	69 FR 10131-32	
Barbados	Graduate	Jan 1, 2006	69 FR 10131-32	
Bahrain	Graduate	Jan 1, 2006	69 FR 10131-32	
Iraq	Designate BDC	Sep 22, 2004	69 FR 54739-48	9-09-04

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PRODUCT	ACTION	EFFECTIVE	REFERENCE	ISSUE DATE
Various	Results 1998 GSP	Jul 1, 1999	64 FR 36229-35	7-02-99
	Annual Review			
Various	Competitive Need	Jul 1, 1999	64 FR 36229-35	
	Waivers (1998)			
2849.90.50	GSP statusfrom SoAfrica	Dec 23, 1999	64 FR 72138-9	12-23-99
7108.12.50	GSP statusfrom SoAfrica	Dec 23, 1999	64 FR 72138-9	
7108.13.70	GSP statusfrom SoAfrica	Dec 23, 1999	64 FR 72138-9	
8704.10.50	Free status forSoAfrica	Dec 23, 1999	64 FR 72138-9	
7403.12.00	GSP status reinstated	Jul 1, 1999	65 FR 39463	6-26-00
	from Russia (correction)			
Various	Results 1999 GSP	Jul 1, 2000	65 FR 41315-19	7-03-00
	Annual Review			
Various	DeMinimis/Redesig.	Jul 1, 2000	65 FR 41315-19	
PRODUCT (Cont'd)	ACTION	EFFECTIVE	REFERENCE	ISSUE DATE
Various	Competitive Need	Jul 1, 2000	65 FR 41315-19	
	Waivers (1999)			
Various	AGOA enhanced list	Dec 21, 2000	65 FR 80723-32	12-21-00
	Symbol D in HTSUS			
Various	DeMinimis/Redesig.	Jul 1, 2001	66 FR 35365-70	7-05-01

Various	Competitive Need Waivers (2000)	Jul 1, 2001	66 FR 35365-70	
Various	India GSP modifications in Pres.Proc.#7454 of 6-29-01, issued 7-05-01	Aug 22, 2001	66 FR 44199-00	8-22-01
Various	Indonesia GSP modifica- tions in Pres.Proc.#7468 of 9-19-01, issued 9-24-01	Sep 24, 2001	66 FR 48947-48	9-24-01
Various	Argentina GSP modifica- tions in Pres.Proc.#7586 of 8-28-02, issued 9-3-02	Sep 18, 2002	67 FR 56211-13	9-03-02
0811.20.20	Termination Competitive Need Waiver from Chile	Feb 13, 2003	68 FR 1949-54	1-14-03
8111.00.47	Duty-free for AGOA BDCs	Jan 29, 2003	68 FR 1949-54	
Various	Results 2001/2002 Com- bined Annual Reviews	Jul 1, 2003	68 FR 39795-39804	7-02-03
Various	DeMinimis/Redesig.	Jul 1, 2003	68 FR 39795-39804	
Various	Competitive Need Waivers (2002)	Jul 1, 2003	68 FR 39795-39804	
Various	2001 Spec.Rev.3-Coun- tries: Argen, Phil, & Turkey	Jul 1, 2003	68 FR 39795-39804	
Various	Results of 2003 GSP Annual Review	Jul 1, 2004	69 FR 40297-40304	7-01-04
Various	DeMinimis/Redsig.	Jul 1, 2004	69 FR 40297-40304	
8525.40.80	Competitive Need Waiver (2003)	Jul 1, 2004	69 FR 40297-40304	
8108.90.60	Remove from Russia	Nov 8, 2004	69 FR 54739-54748	9-09-04

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4. Products of Countries Designated Beneficiary Developing Countries for Purposes of the Generalized System of Preferences (GSP).

- (a) The following countries, territories and associations of countries eligible for treatment as one country (pursuant to section 507(2) of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2467(2)) are designated beneficiary developing countries for the purposes of the Generalized System of Preferences, provided for in Title V of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended (19 U.S.C.2461 *et seq.*):

<u>Independent Countries</u>	
A1.	Afghanistan
A1.	Albania
G.	Algeria
G.	Angola
G.	Antigua and Barbuda
G.	Argentina
G.	Armenia
G.	Bahrain
G.	Bangladesh
G.	Barbados
	Belize
	Benin
	Bhutan
	Bolivia
	Bosnia and Hercegovina
	Botswana
	Brazil
	Bulgaria
	Burkina Faso
	Burundi
	Cambodia
	Cameroon
	Cape Verde
	Central African Republic
	Chad
	Colombia
	Comoros
	Congo (Brazzaville)
	Congo (Kinshasa)
	Costa Rica
	Cote d'Ivoire
T.	Croatia
T.	Czech Republic
	Djibouti
	Dominica
	Dominican Republic
	Ecuador
	Egypt
	El Salvador
	Equatorial Guinea
	Eritrea
T.	Estonia
	Ethiopia
	Fiji
	Gabon
	Gambia, The
	Georgia
	Ghana
	Grenada
	Guatemala
	Guinea
	Guinea-Bissau
	Guyana
	Haiti
	Honduras
T.	Hungary
	India
	Indonesia
A2.	Iraq
	Jamaica
	Jordan
	Kazakhstan
	Kenya
	Kiribati
	Kyrgyzstan
T.	Latvia
	Lebanon
	Lesotho
T.	Lithuania
	Macedonia, Former
	Yugoslav Republic of
	Madagascar
	Malawi
	Mali
	Mauritania
	Mauritius
	Moldova
	Mongolia
	Morocco
	Mozambique
	Namibia
	Nepal
	Niger
	Nigeria
	Oman
	Pakistan
	Panama
	Papua New Guinea
	Paraguay
	Peru
	Philippines
T.	Poland
	Romania
	Russia
	Rwanda
	St. Kitts and Nevis
	Saint Lucia
	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
	Samoa
	Sao Tome and Principe
	Senegal
	Seychelles
	Sierra Leone
T.	Slovakia
	Solomon Islands
	Somalia
	South Africa
	Sri Lanka
	Suriname
	Swaziland
	Tanzania
	Thailand
	Togo
	Tonga
	Trinidad and Tobago
	Tunisia
	Turkey
	Tuvalu
	Uganda
	Uruguay
	Uzbekistan
	Vanuatu
	Venezuela
	Republic of Yemen
	Zambia
	Zimbabwe

NOTES:

A1. Add to GSP effective March 16, 2004.

A2. Add to GSP effective September 22, 2004.

G. Graduate from GSP effective January 1, 2006.

T. Terminated effective May 1, 2004, when it becomes a European Union (EU) member state.

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Non-Independent Countries and Territories

Anguilla	Gibraltar	Saint Helena
British Indian Ocean Territory	Heard Island and McDonald Islands	Tokelau
Christmas Island (Australia)	Montserrat	Turks and Caicos Islands
Cocos (Keeling) Islands	Niue	Virgin Islands, British
Cook Islands	Norfolk Island	Wallis and Futuna
Falkland Islands (Islas Malvinas)	Pitcairn Islands	West Bank and Gaza Strip
		Western Sahara

Associations of Countries (treated as one country)

Member Countries of the	Member Countries of the	Member Countries of the
Cartagena Agreement (Andean Group)	Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN)	Caribbean Common Market (CARICOM) except The Bahamas

Consisting of:

Bolivia
Colombia
Ecuador
Peru
Venezuela

Currently qualifying:

Cambodia
Indonesia
Philippines
Thailand

Consisting of:

G. Antigua and Barbuda
G. Barbados
Belize
Dominica
Grenada
Guyana
Jamaica
Montserrat
St. Kitts and Nevis
Saint Lucia
Saint Vincent and
the Grenadines
Trinidad and Tobago

Member Countries of the	Member Countries of the
West African Economic and Monetary Union (WAEMU)	Southern Africa Development Community (SADC)

Consisting of:

Benin
Burkina Faso
Cote d'Ivoire
Guinea-Bissau
Mali
Niger
Senegal
Togo

Currently qualifying:

Botswana
Mauritius
Tanzania

NOTE:

G. Graduate from GSP effective January 1, 2006.

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- (b) (i) The following beneficiary countries are designated as least-developed beneficiary developing countries pursuant to section 502(a)(2) of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended:

Afghanistan			
Angola	Congo (Kinshasa)	Malawi	Sierra Leone
Bangladesh	Djibouti	Mali	Somalia
Benin	Equatorial Guinea	Mauritania	Tanzania
Bhutan	Ethiopia		Togo
Burkina Faso	Gambia, The	Mozambique	Tuvalu
Burundi	Guinea	Nepal	Uganda
Cambodia	Guinea-Bissau	Niger	Vanuatu
Cape Verde	Haiti	Rwanda	Republic of
Central African Republic	Kiribati	Samoa	Yemen
Chad	Lesotho	Sao Tome and Principe	Zambia
Comoros	Madagascar		

Whenever an eligible article which is the growth, product or manufacture of one of the countries designated as a least-developed beneficiary developing country is imported into the customs territory of the United States directly from such country, such article shall be entitled to receive the duty-free treatment provided for in subdivision (c) of this note without regard to the limitations on preferential treatment of eligible articles in section 503(c)(2)(A) of the Trade Act, as amended (19 U.S.C. 2463 (c)(2)(A)).

- (ii) Articles provided for in a provision for which a rate of duty “Free” appears in the “Special” subcolumn followed by the symbol “A+” in parentheses are those designated by the President to be eligible articles for purposes of the GSP pursuant to section 503(a)(1)(B) of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended. The symbol “A+” indicates that all least-developed beneficiary countries are eligible for preferential treatment with respect to all articles provided for in the designated provisions. Whenever an eligible article which is the growth, product, or manufacture of a designated least-developed developing country listed in subdivision (b)(i) of this note is imported into the customs territory of the United States directly from such country, such article shall be eligible for duty-free treatment as set forth in the “Special” subcolumn; provided that, in accordance with regulations promulgated by the Secretary of the Treasury the sum of (1) the cost or value of the materials produced in the least-developed beneficiary developing country or 2 or more countries which are members of the same association of countries which is treated as one country under section 507(2) of the Trade Act of 1974, plus (2) the direct costs of processing operations performed in such least-developed beneficiary developing country or such members countries, is not less than 35 percent of the appraised value of such article at the time of its entry into the customs territory of the United States. No article or material of a least-developed beneficiary developing country shall be eligible for such treatment by virtue of having merely undergone simple combining or packing operations, or mere dilution with water or mere dilution with another substance that does not materially alter the characteristics of the article.
- (c) Articles provided for in a provision for which a rate of duty of “Free” appears in the “Special” subcolumn followed by the symbols “A” or “A*” in parentheses are those designated by the President to be eligible articles for purposes of the GSP pursuant to section 503 of the Trade Act of 1974. The following articles may not be designated as an eligible article for purposes of the GSP:
- (i) textile and apparel articles which are subject to textile agreements;
 - (ii) watches, except as determined by the President pursuant to section 503(c)(1)(B) of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended;
 - (iii) import-sensitive electronic articles;
 - (iv) import-sensitive steel articles;

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- (v) footwear, handbags, luggage, flat goods, work gloves and leather wearing apparel, the foregoing which were not eligible articles for purposes of the GSP on April 1, 1984;
- (vi) import-sensitive semimanufactured and manufactured glass products;
- (vii) any agricultural product of chapters 2 through 52, inclusive, that is subject to a tariff-rate quota, if entered in a quantity in excess of the in-quota quantity for such product; and
- (viii) any other articles which the President determines to be import-sensitive in the context of the GSP.

The symbol "A" indicates that all beneficiary developing countries are eligible for preferential treatment with respect to all articles provided for in the designated provision. The symbol "A*" indicates that certain beneficiary developing countries, specifically enumerated in subdivision (d) of this note, are not eligible for such preferential treatment with regard to any article provided for in the designated provision. Whenever an eligible article which is the growth, product, or manufacture of a designated beneficiary developing country listed in subdivision (a) of this note is imported into the customs territory of the United States directly from such country or territory, such article shall be eligible for duty-free treatment as set forth in the "Special" subcolumn, unless excluded from such treatment by subdivision (d) of this note; provided that, in accordance with regulations promulgated by the Secretary of the Treasury the sum of (1) the cost or value of the materials produced in the beneficiary developing country or any 2 or more countries which are members of the same association of countries which is treated as one country under section 507(2) of the Trade Act of 1974, plus (2) the direct costs of processing operations performed in such beneficiary developing country or such member countries is not less than 35 percent of the appraised value of such article at the time of its entry into the customs territory of the United States. No article or material of a beneficiary developing country shall be eligible for such treatment by virtue of having merely undergone simple combining or packing operations, or mere dilution with water or mere dilution with another substance that does not materially alter the characteristics of the article.

[See Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States for continuation of GN 4, pages GN-15 through GN-20, subdivision (d). The updating takes several months after effective date of Presidential Proclamation. For current listing of Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States, go to http://hotdocs.usitc.gov/tariff/chapters_current/toc.html - - this is the Table of Contents. For the GSP program, click on GENERAL NOTES; GENERAL RULES OF INTERPRETATION; GENERAL STATISTICAL NOTES and go to General Notes page 11 (GN-11).]