

## 2. Figurines and Ritual Objects

Figurines, statuettes, or plaques can include human, hybrid (part-human, part-animal), and animal figures. These are typically small in size (around 10 cm.). Ritual objects found in Cambodia proper are limited primarily to pieces in the shape of a conch shell, used for pouring sacral water or as blowing horns.

### B. Vessels

#### 1. Lidded Containers

Examples include round lidded boxes with incised or sculpted decoration, bulbous vases with lids, and jars with conical multi-tiered lids. Lids themselves include conical shapes and convex lids with knobs.

#### 2. Lenticular Pots

Pots of depressed globular form are commonly referred to as lenticular pots. The mouth of the vessel is closed with a stopper.

#### 3. Animal-shaped Pots

The depressed globular form can take animal shapes, with applied animal head, tail, or other body parts that can serve as handles. The animal-shaped pot is also found in other forms. Animal-shaped pots often contain remains of white lime, a substance used in betel nut chewing. Shapes include bulls, elephants, birds, horses, and other four-legged creatures.

#### 4. Human-shaped Pots

Anthropomorphic vessels often have some applied and incised decoration representing human appendages, features, or clothing. The vessels are usually gourd-shaped bottles.

#### 5. Bottles

This category includes a number of different kinds of vessels with raised mouths.

#### 6. Vases

A number of different types of vases are grouped together under this general heading. Some are flat based and

bulbous or conical. Others have pedestal feet. Some are characterized by their elongated necks. The “baluster vases,” for which Khmer ceramics are particularly known, have pedestal feet, conical bodies, relatively long necks, and flared mouths.

#### 7. Spouted Pots

These are vessels, usually in the “baluster vase” form, that have short pouring spouts attached to the shoulder. Some spouted pots also have ring handles on the opposite shoulder.

#### 8. Large Jars

Large barrel-shaped jars or vats have flat bases, wide mouths, short necks, and flattened everted rims. They are always iron glazed.

#### 9. Bowls

Bowls with broad, flat bases and flaring walls that are either straight or slightly concave, ending in plain everted or incurving rims, usually have green or yellowish glaze, although some brown-glazed bowls are known. Some are decorated with incised lines just below the rim. Most have deep flanges above the base; some are plain. Small hemispherical cups on button bases bear brown glaze. Another form is the bowl on a pedestal foot, most bearing an iron glaze.

### Inapplicability of Notice and Delayed Effective Date

Because the amendment to the Customs Regulations contained in this document imposes import restrictions on the above-listed cultural property of Cambodia by the terms of a bilateral agreement entered into in furtherance of a foreign affairs function of the United States, pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act (5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1)), no notice of proposed rulemaking or public procedure is necessary and a delayed effective date is not required.

### Regulatory Flexibility Act

Because no notice of proposed rulemaking is required, the provisions of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5

U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*) do not apply. Accordingly, this final rule is not subject to the regulatory analysis or other requirements of 5 U.S.C. 603 and 604.

### Executive Order 12866

This amendment does not meet the criteria of a “significant regulatory action” as described in E.O. 12866.

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### List of Subjects in 19 CFR Part 12

Cultural property, Customs duties and inspections, Imports.

### Amendment to the Regulations

■ Accordingly, Part 12 of the Customs Regulations (19 CFR Part 12) is amended as set forth below:

### PART 12—[AMENDED]

■ 1. The general authority citation and specific authority citations for Part 12, in part, continue to read as follows:

**Authority:** 5 U.S.C. 301, 19 U.S.C. 66, 1202 (General Note 23, Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS), 1624);

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Sections 12.104 through 12.104i also issued under 19 U.S.C. 2612;

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■ 2. In § 12.104g, paragraph (a), the list of agreements imposing import restrictions on described articles of cultural property of State Parties, is amended by adding “Cambodia” in the appropriate alphabetical order, and paragraph (b), the list of emergency actions imposing import restrictions, is amended by removing the entry for “Cambodia”. The addition reads as follows:

**§ 12.104g Specific items or categories designated by agreements or emergency actions.**

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State party	Cultural property	T.D. No.
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Cambodia .....	Khmer Archaeological Material from the 6th century through the 16th century A.D.	CBP Dec. 03–BC28
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