

26, 2001) and, upon publication in the **Federal Register** of a notice of his finding that a particular product should be excluded, to modify the HTS provision created by the annex to that proclamation to exclude such particular product from the pertinent safeguard measure. On April 5, 2002, USTR published a notice in the **Federal Register** excluding particular products from the safeguard measures, and modified the HTS accordingly. 67 FR 16484. On July 3, the President issued Proclamation 7576, which extended the period for granting exclusions until August 31, 2002. On July 12, 2002, and August 30, 2002, USTR published notices in the **Federal Register** excluding additional products from the safeguard measures, and modified the HTS accordingly. 67 FR 46221 and 67 FR 56182.

On March 19, 2002, June 4, 2002, July 12, 2002, August 30, and November 14 of 2002, USTR published **Federal Register** notices (67 FR 12635, 67 FR 38541, 67 FR 46221, 67 FR 56182 and 67 FR 69065, respectively) making technical corrections to subchapter III of chapter 99 of the HTS to remedy several technical errors introduced in the annex to Proclamation 7529. These corrections ensured that the intended tariff treatment was provided. Since the publication of these **Federal Register** notices, additional technical errors and omissions in subchapter III of chapter 99 have come to the attention of USTR. The annex to this notice makes technical corrections to the HTS to remedy these errors and omissions. In particular, the annex to this notice corrects errors in the descriptions of the physical dimensions or chemical composition of certain products excluded from the application of the safeguard measures.

Proclamation 6969 authorized the USTR to exercise the authority provided to the President under section 604 of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2483) to embody rectifications, technical or conforming changes, or similar modifications in the HTS. Under authority vested in the USTR by Proclamation 6969, the rectifications, technical and conforming changes, and similar modifications set forth in the annex to this notice shall be embodied in the HTS with respect to goods entered, or withdrawn from warehouse

for consumption, on or after the dates set forth in the Annex to this notice.

Robert B. Zoellick,
United States Trade Representative.

ANNEX

Subchapter III of chapter 99 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule (HTS) is modified as set forth in this annex, with bracketed matter included to assist in the understanding of the modifications. The following provisions supersede matter now in the HTS, with the new subheadings being inserted by this notice set forth in columnar format and the material inserted in the HTS columns entitled "Heading/ Subheading", "Article Description", "Rates of Duty 1 General", "Rates of Duty 1 Special", and "Rates of Duty 2", respectively. Subheadings 9903.73.32 and 9903.73.33 shall be effective with respect to goods entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after 12:01 a.m. e.d.t., July 12, 2002. The remaining provisions of this annex shall be effective with respect to goods entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after 12:01 a.m. e.s.t., on March 20, 2002, or, in the case of corrections in existing provisions, on or after the date of the inclusion in, or of the previous correction of, the individual HTS provision being corrected.

1. U.S. note 11 to such subchapter III is hereby modified as follows:

(A) In subdivision (c)(xxx)(J), "N" is deleted at each instance and "N/mm²;" is inserted in lieu thereof;

(B) In subdivision (c)(xxxix), the language "during the 12-month period beginning on July 3, 2002, or July 3, 2003, or during the period July 3, 2004, through March 20, 2005, inclusive;" is inserted after "30,000";

(C) In subdivision (c)(ccvii), "designated as X-083" is inserted after "; inclusive;";

(D) Subdivision (c)(cliv) is deleted and the following new provisions are inserted in lieu thereof:

"(cliv) Stainless steel products, designated as N-378, meeting the characteristics described below:

(A) Straight bars and rods, or round wire on spools or in coils, all the foregoing specifications:

(I) Chemical composition (percent by weight): carbon not over 0.08, silicon not over 0.70, manganese not over 0.50, chromium 20.50 to 23.50, aluminum 5.0 to 6.0 and balance iron; sometimes referred to as (but not limited to) products known as "Kanthal APM.";

(II) Chemical composition (percent by weight): carbon not over 0.08, silicon not over 0.70, manganese not over 0.50,

chromium 20.50 to 23.50, aluminum 4.30 to 5.30 and balance iron; sometimes referred to as (but not limited to) products known as "Kanthal D";

(III) Chemical composition (percent by weight): carbon not over 0.08, silicon not over 0.07, manganese not over 0.40, chromium 20.50 to 23.50, aluminum 4.80 to 5.8 and balance iron; sometimes referred to as (but not limited to) products known as "Kanthal AF"; or

(IV) Chemical composition (percent by weight): carbon not greater than 0.08, silicon not greater than 0.70, manganese not greater than 0.40, aluminum 5.30 to 6.30, chromium 20.50 to 23.50 and balance iron; sometimes referred to as (but not limited to) products known as "Kanthal A-1"; or

(V) Chemical composition (percent by weight): carbon not over 0.10, manganese not over 1.00, silicon 1.60 to 2.50, chromium 18.0 to 21.0, nickel 34.0 to 37.0 and balance iron; sometimes referred to as (but not limited to) products known as "Nikrothal 40";

(B) Round wire on spools or in coils, the specifications:

(I) Chemical composition (percent by weight): carbon not over 0.08, silicon not over 0.70, manganese not over 0.50, chromium 20.50 to 23.50, aluminum 4.60 to 5.60 and balance iron; sometimes referred to as (but not limited to) products known as "Kanthal DT";

(II) Chemical composition (percent by weight): carbon not over 0.08, silicon not over 0.70, manganese not over 0.50, chromium 20.50 to 23.50, aluminum 4.80 to 5.80 and balance iron; sometimes referred to as (but not limited to) products known as "Kanthal A"; or

(III) Chemical composition (percent by weight): carbon not over 0.08, silicon not over 0.70, manganese not over 0.50, chromium 14.00 to 16.00, aluminum 3.80 to 4.80 and balance iron; sometimes referred to as (but not limited to) products known as "Alkrothal 14";

(E) In subdivision (c)(xxviii)(A), "397 MPa or more" is deleted and "335 to 420 MPa" is inserted in lieu thereof; "450 MPa or more" is deleted and "385 to 465 MPa" is inserted in lieu thereof;

(F) In subdivision (c)(xxiv)(B), the word "maximum" should be inserted after "manganese 0.40" the word "maximum" should be inserted after "chromium 5.40" and the word "maximum" should be inserted after "molybdenum 1.70";

(G) In subdivision (c)(xxiv)(C), the word "maximum" should be inserted after "molybdenum 0.65";

(H) In subdivision (c)(xxiv)(D), the word "maximum" should be inserted after "molybdenum 3.50";