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COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 242/2006

of 10 February 2006

concerning the classification of certain goods in the Combined Nomenclature

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 of 23 July 1987 on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the Common Customs Tariff (¹), and in particular Article 9(1)(a) thereof,

Whereas:

- In order to ensure uniform application of the Combined Nomenclature annexed to Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87, it is necessary to adopt measures concerning the classification of the goods referred to in the Annex to this Regulation.
- (2) Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 has laid down the general rules for the interpretation of the Combined Nomenclature. Those rules apply also to any other nomenclature which is wholly or partly based on it or which adds any additional subdivision to it and which is established by specific Community provisions, with a view to the application of tariff and other measures relating to trade in goods.
- (3) Pursuant to those general rules, the goods described in column 1 of the table set out in the Annex should be classified under the CN code indicated in column 2, by virtue of the reasons set out in column 3.
- (4) It is appropriate to provide that binding tariff information which has been issued by the customs authorities

of Member States in respect of the classification of goods in the Combined Nomenclature but which is not in accordance with this Regulation can, for a period of three months, continue to be invoked by the holder, pursuant to Article 12(6) of Council Regulation (EEC) No 2913/92 of 12 October 1992 establishing the Community Customs Code (²).

(5) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Customs Code Committee,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The goods described in column 1 of the table set out in the Annex shall be classified within the Combined Nomenclature under the CN code indicated in column 2.

Article 2

Binding tariff information issued by the customs authorities of Member States, which is not in accordance with this Regulation, can continue to be invoked for a period of three months pursuant to Article 12(6) of Regulation (EEC) No 2913/92.

Article 3

This Regulation shall enter into force on the 20th day following its publication in the Official Journal of the European Union.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 10 February 2006.

For the Commission László KOVÁCS Member of the Commission

 ^{(&}lt;sup>1</sup>) OJ L 256, 7.9.1987, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 2175/2005 (OJ L 347, 30.12.2005, p. 9).

⁽²⁾ OJ L 302, 19.10.1992, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Regulation (EC) No 648/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 117, 4.5.2005, p. 13).

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ANNEX

Description of the goods		Classification (CN code)	Reasons
(1)		(2)	(3)
Food preparation consisting of cocoa powder and sugar (% by weight): Sugar 99,5 to 99,7		1806 10 90	Classification is determined by General Rules 1 and 6 for the interpretation of the Combined Nomenclature, by Note 2 to Chapter 18 and by the wording of CN codes 1806, 1806 10 and 1806 10 90.
Cocoa powder calculated 0,2 to 0,4 on a totally defatted basis The product is in the form of brownish crystals. It is used and sold as sugar.			The product cannot be classified in Chapter 17 because the content of cocoa powder can be detected by chemical analysis. The product is a food preparation containing cocoa (Note 2 to Chapter 18).