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MINISTRY OF
INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND INDUSTRY

Dear Valued Customers,

DECLARATION OF HS2022 IN THE PREFERENTIAL CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN (PCO)

The Ministry of International Trade and Industry (MITI) has received inquiries from Malaysian exporters pertaining to the request by several Members States to indicate Harmonized System (HS) nomenclature 2022 in the PCO, as well as challenges faced by their importers to claim for preferential treatment when using the HS2017 in the PCO forms, **due to the implementation of HS2022 for import/export declaration in their country effective from 1 January 2022.**

MITI noted that the implementation of HS2022 has attributed to changes in the importing country HS Code for a wide range of goods including difference in subheadings specifically at the fifth and sixth digit level. Please be informed that the transposition exercise in several Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) are yet to be completed. MITI is of the view that until it is finalized, the **HS2017 should be used in the PCO forms.**

However, **as an interim solution to facilitate Malaysian's exporters in avoiding rejection by the importing Member States**, exporters who are currently facing challenges in declaring the HS2022 in their Preferential Certificate Of Origin (PCO) due to the unavailability of the new HS edition in the ePCO system could **manually include the new importing country HS Code by indicating the HS 2022 in bracket** when applying the PCO to the importing countries (that have implemented the HS 2022) as follows:

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7. Number and type of packages, description of goods (including quantity where appropriate and HS number of the importing country)
112 ROLL LLDPE C8 SRF 2533 FILM 135UM X 740MM X 2000M 20632.64 KILOGRAM IMPORTING COUNTRY HS CODE 3920109000 IMPORTING COUNTRY HS CODE 3920139000 (HS2022)
72 ROLL LLDPE C8 SRF 2533 FILM 125UM X 1220MM X 2000M 20247.12 KILOGRAM IMPORTING COUNTRY HS CODE 3920109000

MITI also would like to stress that **this interim solution is subject to acceptance by the Importing Authority and exporters are responsible to ensure accurate Importing Country HS Code (HS 2022)** is declared in the PCO, by referring to the correlation tables between the current HS 2017 and the new HS 2022 (which could be obtained from the respective importing country's Customs Authority).

We thank you for your continuous support and cooperation.

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Kindly email to pco@miti.gov.my for further clarification.