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ADDITIONAL PRODUCTS HAVE THEIR IMPORT TARIFF REDUCED TO ZERO IN THE FIGHT AGAINST COVID-19

On April 17, 2020, the Brazilian Chamber of Foreign Trade (CAMEX) published Resolution n. 32/2020, adding several products to the list of articles used in combatting COVID-19 and reducing their import tariff to zero.

The first list of products benefited by this government measure was approved by CAMEX Resolution n. 17/2020 and published on March 18, 2020. This list has been updated by subsequent Resolutions: CAMEX Resolution n. 22/2020, published on March 26, 2020; CAMEX Resolution n. 28/2020, published on April 3, 2020; CAMEX Resolution n. 31/2020, published on April 8, 2020 and CAMEX Resolution n. 32/2020, published on April 17, 2020. These reductions will remain in force until September 30, 2020.

All Mercosur countries follow the Common External Tariff (TEC), which defines the import tariffs applied by all Members of the bloc. Considering the current pandemic situation, Brazil decided to reduce the import tariff on various products, based on Article 50, letter "d", of Decree nº 66/1981, which incorporated the Montevideo Treaty in Brazil, in the face of the need to protect people's health and life.

CAMEX Resolution n. 32/2020, not only adds several products to the list in the Annex to CAMEX Resolution n. 17/2020, but also excludes and alters the description of certain items listed in CAMEX Resolutions n. 17/2020, 125/2016, 28/2020 and 31/2020. Among the products benefited by CAMEX Resolution n. 32/2020 are the following: dipyrone, omeprazole, morphine, self-adhesive medical bandage, lubricant gel, liquid soap, surgical tray, wheelchair, medical suction pump, among others. Click here to access CAMEX Resolution n. 32/2020 to have access to and confer the complete list of products and their corresponding codes in the Mercosur Common Nomenclature (NCM).

The import procedures of all these products, including licensing, monitoring and/or inspection, shall also be prioritized by customs authorities, as determined by CAMEX Resolution nº 17/2020.

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