PREAMBLE

This Handbook contains information on imports of products listed on the Import Control List (ICL) (see page A-2) and on the export of non-originating textiles, textiles products and apparel entering the United States and Mexico under the tariff preference levels established in the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), the export of peanut butter and sugar-containing products and the export of softwood lumber.

This Handbook is designed to assist you in classifying and identifying a product, as well as, to provide information concerning the import or export control of the product.

The Export and Import Controls Bureau (EICB) has adopted the use of the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System (HS) to classify and identify these products.

Importing Procedures

An import permit is required for each shipment of those products listed on the Import Control List. You must first determine whether or not the product you wish to import requires an import permit, and secondly what control type applies. For products listed in sections "B", "C" and "D" of the Handbook the control type is indicated under the heading "control type" or under "Note". For imports of textiles and apparel goods described in Section "E", classify your product according to the HS using the EICB Import Control Schedule in subsection E3 and determine the 14 digit HS code used to identify the product. Refer to pages E3-1 through E3-4 for information regarding the classification of textile and apparel goods. Textile and apparel guidelines in subsection E7 are provided to assist you in the classification of textile products.

To obtain more information on a control type of a product please contact the EICB at:

For textiles and apparel:(613) 996-3711For agricultural products and steel:(613) 995-8104For softwood lumber:(888)995-2040

Export Procedures - Textiles and Apparel

A Certificate of Eligibility is required for each shipment of non-originating textiles and apparel to enable U.S.and Mexican Customs to identify goods qualifying for the NAFTA duty rate for goods under the Tariff Preference Level (TPL).

Please see page F-1 of section "F" for more information on the export of textiles and apparel to the United States and Mexico.