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COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 2559/2000

of 16 November 2000

amending Annex I to Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the Common Customs Tariff

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 133 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission,

Whereas:

- (1) Council Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 (¹) established a goods nomenclature, hereinafter referred to as the 'Combined Nomenclature', and set out the conventional duty rates of the Common Customs Tariff.
- (2) By its Decision 97/359/EC of 24 March 1997 concerning the elimination of duties on information technology products (2), the Council approved, on behalf of the Community, the Agreement on trade in information technology products (ITA), together with the Communication on its implementation.
- (3) According to that Agreement, participants are to meet to consider any divergence among them in classifying information technology products, beginning with the products specified in Attachment B of the Annex thereto. This procedure brings to the fore changes to be made to the Community's tariff schedule, reproduced in

Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87. Once they are agreed to by the participants to the Agreement, the said changes must be implemented as quickly as possible,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

- 1. In Part Two of Annex I to Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87, CN code 8528 shall be amended as shown in the Annex to this Regulation.
- 2. The amendments to the Combined Nomenclature subheadings provided for in this Regulation shall be applicable as TARIC subheadings until they are inserted into the Combined Nomenclature in accordance with Article 12 of Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the Official Journal of the European Communities.

It shall apply from 1 October 2000.

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

Done at Brussels, 16 November 2000.

For the Council
The President
R. SCHWARTZENBERG

⁽¹) OJ L 256, 7.9.1987, p. 1. Regulation as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1264/2000 (OJ L 144, 17.6.2000, p. 6). (²) OJ L 155, 12.6.1997, p. 1.

ANNEX

CN code	Description	Rates of duties %	Supplementary unit
1	2	3	4
8528	Reception apparatus for television, whether or not incorporating radio-broadcast receivers or sound or video recording or reproducing apparatus; video monitors and video projectors:		
	 Reception apparatus for television, whether or not incorporating radio-broadcast receivers or sound or video recording or reproducing apparatus: 		
8528 12	Colour:		
8528 12 10 to 8528 12 81	(unchanged)		
8528 12 89	Other	14	p/st
	Without screen:		
	Video tuners:		
8528 12 90	Electronic assemblies for incorporation into automatic data processing machines	free	p/st
8528 12 91 (4)	Apparatus with a microprocessor-based device incorporating a modem for gaining access to the Internet, and having a function of interactive information exchange, capable of receiving television signals ('Set-top boxes with communication function')	free	p/st
	Other:		
8528 12 94 (5)	Digital (including mixed digital and analogue)	14	p/st
8528 12 95 to 8528 12 98	(unchanged)		

⁽⁴⁾ TARIC code: 8528 12 93 10. (5) TARIC code: 8528 12 93 90.