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## EUROPEAN COMMISSION

## Explanatory Notes to the Combined Nomenclature of the European Union

(2021/C 333 I/01)

Pursuant to Article 9(1), point (a), of Council Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 <sup>(1)</sup>, the Explanatory Notes to the Combined Nomenclature of the European Union <sup>(2)</sup> are hereby amended as follows:

On page 347:

The following text and photos are added:

**'8505 11 00 to  
8505 19 90 Permanent magnets and articles intended to become permanent magnets after magnetisation**

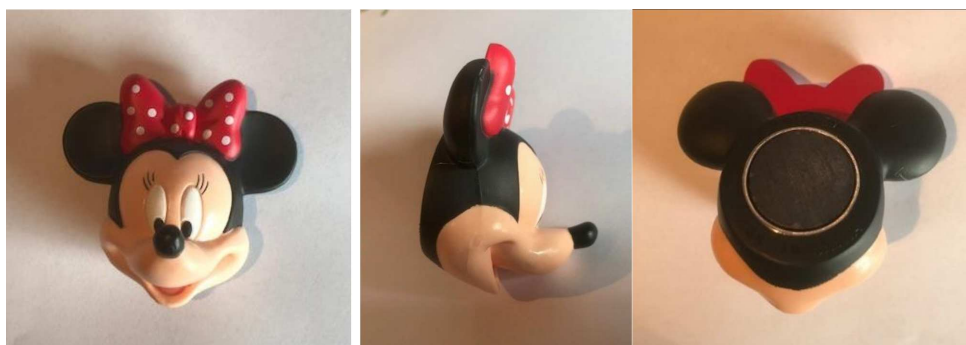
These subheadings include refrigerator magnets consisting of a magnet with a decorative article attached to it. The magnet gives the composite goods their essential character within the meaning of GIR 3 (b), because it is primarily designed to be easily attached and moved around on a metal surface and, as far as most of these magnets are concerned, also to attach paper or other small articles to a metal surface. The decoration function of the article is therefore secondary.

Examples of some of these decorative refrigerator magnets:



<sup>(1)</sup> Council Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 of 23 July 1987 on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the Common Customs Tariff (OJ L 256, 7.9.1987, p. 1).

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ C 119, 29.3.2019, p. 1.



Measuring approximately 6 cm x 6 cm x 5 cm



Measuring approximately 7 cm x 9 cm x 2 cm



Measuring approximately 8 cm x 8 cm x 2cm



Measuring approximately 8 cm x 6,5 cm x 1 cm



Measuring approximately 5,5 cm x 8 cm x 1cm



Measuring approximately 2 cm x 1,5 cm x 0,5 cm

Although in the three following examples the magnet is small compared to the size of the decoration, the magnet is strong enough to fix this very lightweight decoration to a metal surface.







These subheadings do not include:

Refrigerator magnets that are attached to a utility article. The product is designed as a utility article (for example, a bottle-opener, a calendar, a timer, a clothes peg) that can be attached to a metal surface. The utility article has a function of its own (for example, opening a bottle, showing the date or time etc.). The utility article gives the composite goods their essential character within the meaning of GIR 3 (b), because the magnet has a solely supportive role (i.e. attaching a utility product to a metal surface).

Examples of some of these articles:

