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Ministry of Trade and Export Development

Ministry of Industry, Mines and Energy

Ministry of Health

Joint Statement

The Ministry of Trade and Export Development, the Ministry of Industry, Mines and Energy, and the Ministry of Health inform all suppliers that in order to ensure the quality of imported products and the safety of consumers, that they have jointly decided to adopt an ex-ante control system on import operations of commodities mentioned in the lists attached to this Statement, with the obligation to import these products directly from their manufacturing factories in exporting countries.

Opening foreign trade licenses to import products listed in this statement requires importers to present an invoice bearing an authorisation from the competent departments of the following public structures, each according to its field of competence:

- Ministry of Trade and Export Development.
- Ministry of Industry, Mines and Energy.
- Ministry of Health / National Authority for Food Safety

In order to obtain the aforementioned license, importers must submit an importation file to competent authorities referring to the product to be imported. The file shall contain the following documents:

1. An invoice received from the exporting factory.
2. A certificate issued by an official authority in the country of export relating to the legal entity of the factory and the license permitting it to practice its activity.
3. Proof of the factory's adoption of a quality control system.
4. A statement of the types of products to be imported.
5. The trademark of the product and the trademark that is produced under a license from its owning entity.
6. A form of the authorisation card for the products to be imported.
7. Free sale certificate issued by an official government agency in the country of export.
8. Documents and reports proving the quality of imported products in accordance with applicable specifications.

Competent bodies may request any additional document that helps check the quality and safety of imported products.

Competent bodies may also request the importer to provide samples of the product to be imported for inspection.

Below is a list of imports exempted from provisions of this Statement:

- Imports of the state, public institutions, establishments and local authorities.
- Imports of raw and semi-manufactured products for the benefit of the industrial sector, related services and the handicraft sector.
- Raw and semi-manufactured products, equipment and spare parts imported by industrials that are required for their activity,
- Imports of equipment and supplies destined for renewable energy production projects,
- Imports without payment or without currency exchange.
- Imports benefiting from tax exemptions such as imports of embassies and similar bodies, imports of companies operating under suspensive regimes, and imports made by Tunisians residing abroad who have projects or wish to participate in projects.
- Imports exempted from foreign trade procedures as stated in Decree No. 1743/1994 dated August 29, 1994.
- Postal parcels.

The Minister of Trade and Export Development may amend the list of products subject to this procedure as well as the list of documents required in the importation file by means of a correspondence addressed to concerned bodies.

This Statement enters into force on October 17, 2022, and therefore, all import operations for which foreign trade licenses were opened before this date are exempted from its provisions.

Appendix 1: List of products supervised by the Ministry of Trade and Export Development

Item Number	Tariff Number	Products
33.03	From 33030010116 to 33030090992	Perfumes and cosmetic liquids
*33.04	From 33041000002 to 33049900094	Cosmetics and skin care products
*33.05	From 33051000009 to 33059000994	Hair products
33.06	33061000006 33069000093	Toothpaste Oral or dental care products
33.07	From 33071000116 to 33074900017 33074900095 33079000023 33079000034 33079000090	Products for use before, during or after shaving, body deodorants, shower gels and hair removers
34.01	34011100914 34011100925 34011100936 34011900107 34011900209 34012010011 34012010099 34012090024 34012090035 34012090091 34013000002	Organic active soaps and materials.
34.07	34070000211	Clay
35.06	35061000004	Paste weighing no more than 1 kg
39.26	39261000017 39261000039	Plastic eraser Plastic covers for copybooks and textbooks
61.07	From 61071100011 to 61071900997	Men and boys underwear
61.08	From 61082100014 to 61082900990	Women and girls underwear
61.15	From 61151010105 To 61159900808	(Long) socks and other similar products
62.07	From 62071100010 to 62071900985	Other men and boys underwear
62.12	From 62121010103 to 62129000992	Other women and girls underwear

64.01	From 64011000000 to 64019900081 From 64021900002 to 64029998000 From 64031900009 to 64042090092 From 64051000097 to 64059090002	Shoes
69.11	69111000116 69111000194 69111000901	Chinese porcelain tableware
69.12	69120021094 69120023090 69120025198 69120025994 69120029098	Other Tableware (non-Chinese porcelain, except for the traditional type)
73.21	From 73211110108 to 73211190995 73218100093	Cookers, dish warmers, and gas heaters for domestic use
73.23	73239300015 73239300026 73239300060 73239300082	Tableware, kitchen utensils and other household items of stainless steel
84.15	84151010000 84151090104 84158100105 84158200008 84159000106 84159000208	Air conditioners
84.18	84181020005 84181080009 From 84182110002 to 84182000097	Dual refrigerators Refrigerators for domestic use
84.50	from 84501111016 to 84501900097	Laundry machine
85.09	35094000014 85094000092	Food grinders and mixers for domestic use Fruit and vegetable juicers for domestic use
85.16	85162100003 85162910007 85162950003 35162991002 85162990006 85163100098 85164000011 85164000099 85165000006	Electric heating equipment Hair dryers Electric irons for domestic use Oven for domestic use

	85166010006 85166050104 85166050900 85166070000 85166080004 85166090008 85167920001 85167970012	Cookers, stoves, cooking tables, grills and electric ovens for domestic use
85.36	85361010013 85361010091 85361050019 85361050097 85361090015 85361090093 85362010100 85362010906 85363010004 85363030002 85365007003 85365019207 85365080106 85365080208 85366110109 85366110905 85366190101 85366190907 85366990101	Circuit protection devices Circuit breaker Other circuit protection devices Electrical switches starter Other switches Lantern poles Other electrical connections and switches
85.39	85392130002 85392192002 85392198000 85392210101 85392290103 85392930002 From 85393110011 to 85393190091 85395000003	Electric glow lamps and tubes Other electric discharge lamps and tubes Light emitting tubes and lamps (LED)
85.44	From 85441110103 to 85446090906	Power cables, coaxial cables, and other types of cables
95.03	95030010012 95030010090 95030021020 95030021097 95030030112 95030030190 95030030918 95030030996 95030041095 95030049022 95030049099 From 95030070016	Doll strollers, tricycles, pedal cars and similar toys Dolls Electric train Toys and other similar miniatures and models

	to 95030085004 From 95030095019 to 95030099099	
96.08	96081010909 96081092907 96081099908 96082000901	Markers and felt-tip pens
96.09	96091010008 96091090000	Pencils

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Appendix 2: List of products supervised by the Ministry of Industry, Mines and Energy

Item Number	Tariff Number	Products
25.06 25.15 25.16	25062000099 25151200196 25151200903 25161200091 25162000097	Natural stone slabs
From 32.08 to 32.09	From 32081010005 to 32089099900 32091000111 32091000199 32091000906	Paint
From 39.22 to 39.25	39221000008 39222000004 39229000017 39229000028 39229000039 39229000095 39239000105 39239000912 39239000990 39241000002 39249000011 39249000022 39249000033 39249000088 39249000099 39251000101 39251000907 39252000005 39253000001	Plastic sanitary materials (bathtubs and basins...)
392610	39261000040 39261000095	Plastic crafts
Section 42	From 42010000017 to 42034000004	Leather products
44.18	44181010001 44181050007 44181090003 44182010007 44182050003 44182080005	Wood products
From 49.09 to 49.11	49090000016 49090000027 49090000094 49100000102 49100000919 49100000997	Prints

	From 49111010007 to 49119900993	
Section 61	From 61012010014 to 61179000090	ready-made clothes
Section 62	From 62011100029 to 62179000099	
Section 65	From 65040000004 to 65069990901	Headgear and parts thereof
Section 66	66011000008 66019100103 66019100909 6601920010 6601920021 6601920098 66019990007	Umbrellas
Section 67		Artificial plants and other products
68.02	68029 to 68022	Marble granite slabs
68.04 68.05	68042250901 68042290305 *6805	Grinding and cut off discs Sandpaper
69.10	69101000017 69101000028 69101000095 69109000015 69109000026 69109000093	healthy materials
Section 70	From 70042010107 to 70139900985	Crystal products
76.04 76.10 76.15 76.16	From 76041010105 to 76042990006 76101000009 76109010001 76109090014 76109090092 76151010053 From 76161000012 to 76169990997	Aluminium products
82.01	82013000004	Building and gardening tools
82.11	From 82119100105 to 82119200995	Knives

82.15	From 82151020006 to 82159990096	Spoons, forks and other cutlery
From 84.15 to 84.19 84.65 84.81	84151090900 84158100207 84158100901 84172090104 From 84181020005 to 84185090007 84186900513 84186900808 84186900900 84191100010 84191100098 34651010102 34651010908 84651090104 84651090900 From 84818011003 to 84818099985	Rotary oven Reactors, boilers, machines, appliances, tools and parts thereof. Cold rooms Equipment for the production of refrigeration for domestic use Equipment for the production of refrigeration (not for domestic use)
841850	84185011008 84185019002 84185090007	Furniture (cases, cabinets, display cases, etc.) for preserving and displaying products, including equipment for refrigeration production
From 85.14	85141010002 85141080000	Electric ovens
85.16	85161080106	Solar water heaters
85.25	85258019108 85258019904 85258099100	Surveillance camera
85.41	85414090016	Photovoltaic cells, sensors and panels
85.31 85.36 85.43	From 85311030005 to 85318070092 From 85361010013 to 85369095994 From 85437001004 to 85437090803	Electric devices and appliances
8708	87088035005 87088020017 87088020028	Dampers
From 87.11 to 87.12	From 87111000118 to 87120070004	Motorcycles and their parts

87.14	87149110003 87149130001 87149190005 87149210008 87149290000 87149300009	Parts of bicycles
90.03	90031100003 90031900105 90031900901 90039000017 90039000028 90039000095	Eyeglasses frames
90.04	From 90041010907 to 90049090996	Eyeglasses
94.05	94054035105 94054039903 94054099305 94054099496 94054091992	Lighting devices
96.03	From 96031000002 to 96039099990	Brooms
96.05	96050000000	Cleaning brushes and accessories
From 96.13 to 96.19	96131000000 96132000119 96132000120 96132000197 96132000904 96138000115 96138000126 96138000193 96138000900	Other products

Appendix 3: List of products supervised by the National Authority for Food Safety and Quality

Item Number	Tariff Number	Products
7.10 7.12	From 07101000008 to 07109000006 From 07122000100 to 07129005903 From 07128019001 to 07129090904	Vegetables
8.01 8.02 8.03 8.04 8.05 8.06 8.11 8.13	08011100012 08011100090 08021210096 08021290098 08031090006 08039090004 08042090112 08042090190 08042090918 08042090996 08043000098 08044000094 08045000078 08045000089 08051080017 08051080039 08051080051 08051080084 08059000091 08111090000 From 08112031005 to 08112090006 From 08119050002 to 08119095003	Fruits
	From 08131000008 to 08135099005	Dry grapes
9.01	09012100028 09012100051 09012100062 09012200023 09012200067	Non-caffeinated or decaffeinated roasted coffee in the form of capsules or packed in packages weighing no more than 3 kg
9.02	09021000013 09021000091 09023000015 09023000093	Green tea and red tea packed in packages weighing no more than 3 kg
From 9.03 to 9.10	From 09030000003 to 09083200006 09092100091 09092200007 09093100097 09093200003 From 09096100915	Spices

	to 09109190005 From 09109910092 to 09109999091	
From 11.01 to 11.02	From 11010011004 to 11029090093	Mills products
11.03	From 11031110108 to 11031990995	Cereal semolina
11.04	From 11041210008 to 11043090091	Processed cereals
11.05	11051000090 11052000096	Flour, semolina and potato powder Flakes, potato granules and lumps
From 11.06 to 11.08	11061000100 11061000906 11062010008 11062090000 11063010004 11063090006 From 11071019006 to 11072000090 11081300007 11081400002 11081990105	Ground grain products
12.07	12074090008	Sesame grains
From 15.09 to 15.15	From 15091010009 to 15099000898 From 15100010008 to 15100090895 15119011002 15119019006 15119099100 15119099906 15121990027 15121990094 15122990001 15131911003 15131919007 15131991005 15131999009 15132130004 15132911009 15132919003 15132950002 15132990019 15132990097 15141990021 15141990098 15149990029 15149990030 15149990096 15151990006 15152990002	Refined vegetable oils

	15155099002 15159011204 15159011919 15159011997 From 15159091013 to 15159099095	
From 1701 to 17.02	17011310006 17011390008 17011490003 17019990108 17022010004 17022090017 17022090095 17023050108 17023050904 17024090100 17024090917 17025000008 17026010100 17026095107 17026095914 17029010006 17029095105 17029095207 17029095912	Sugars, maple syrup and honey substitute
17.04	From 17041010013 to 17049099098	Sugar confectionery not containing cocoa (including white chocolate)
18.06	From 18061015000 to 18069090005	Chocolate and other products containing cocoa
19.01	From 1901200001204 to 19019099095	Mixture and dough of bakery products, soft drinks and biscuits
19.02	From 19021100007 to 19022099001 From 19023010008 to 19030000003	Dietary dough
19.04	From 19041010000 to 19049080006	Products of cereals or other grains
19.05	From 19051000003 to 19054090007 From 19059020918 to 19059090096	Bakery products, refreshments or biscuits
20.01	From 20011000004 to 20019097996	Vegetables, fruits and other parts of plants prepared or canned
20.02	From 20021010016 to 20029091019 20029099013 20029099091	Prepared or canned tomatoes
20.03	From 20031020006 to 20039090002	Prepared or canned truffles
From 20.04 to 20.05	From 20041010009 to 20049098092	Prepared or canned vegetables

	From 20051000013 to 20059980096	
20.06	From 20060010007 to 20060099006	Vegetables, fruits, fruit husks and other parts of plants preserved in sugar (distilled, frozen, crystallized)
20.07	From 20071010000 to 20079190094 From 20079920007 to 20079997095	Jam, jelly, marmalade, fruit puree and fruit paste
20.08	From 20081110002 to 20089999009	Fruits and other parts of plants prepared or canned
20.09	From 20091111002 to 20099098008	Fruit and vegetable juice
21.01	From 21011100100 to 21013099008	Preparations of chicory coffee and tea
21.02	21021031005 21021039009	Fresh yeast for bread
21.03	21031000007 21032000003 21033010003 21033090005 21039010009 21039090001	Soy sauce Tomato sauce Mustard flour Prepared mustard Mango chutney Preparations for sauces and other prepared sauces
21.04	From 21041000015 to 21041000093	Preparations for broths and soups
21.05	From 21050010009 to 21050099008	Ice cream
21.06	From 21069020106 to 21069098200 21069098915 From 21069098959 to 21069098982	Food preparations
22.02	From 22021000009 to 22029999005	Non-alcoholic drinks
22.09	22090011009 22090091012 22090091090	Vinegar and vinegar substitutes