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CUSTOMS ACT 2007

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred by section 3 of the Customs Act 2007, the Minister responsible for revenue services, with the approval of Cabinet, makes the following Order and as amended by the Legislative Assembly on the 21st July 2014 by virtue of section 9 of the Government Act (Cap. 3) -

1st September 2014

1 Short Title

- (1) This Order may be cited as the Customs Duty (Amendment) Order 2013.
- (2) The Customs Duty Order 2008, as amended, imposing customs duty on goods effective from 1 February 2008 and published in the Government Gazette Supplement Extraordinary on 21 January 2008 shall be referred to as the Principal Order.

2 Principal Order amended

The Principal Order is amended by –

- (a) inserting the following new tariff item in Chapter 98:

| “Tariff Item | Description | Unit Qty | Import Duty Rate | Export Duty Rate |
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| 98.22 | Specific materials and equipment to be | no | Free | Free” |

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| | used solely in the fishing sector as approved by Cabinet Decision No. 438 of the 10 th May 2013 | | | |
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(b) inserting the following new note to the Chapter Notes to Chapter 98 as follows –

“7. For the purposes of tariff item 9822.00.00 the specific materials and equipment with conditions are as follows:

| Description | Tariff Item | Conditions |
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| Fishing Vessel | 8902.00.00 | Restricted to vessels registered under the Fisheries Management Act 2002, and the Fisheries (Coastal Communities) Regulations 2009 |
| Global Positioning System (GPS) | 8526.91.00 | As above |
| Handheld GPS | 8526.10.00 | As above |
| Echo Sounder | 8526.91.00 | As above |
| Life Jacket | 6307.20.00 | As above |
| Life Raft | 8907.10.00 8907.90.00 | As above |
| Very High Frequency Radio | 8526.10.00 8526.91.00 8526.92.00 | As above |
| Single Side Band Radio | 8526.10.00 8526.91.00 8526.92.00 | As above |
| Outboard Engine, Yamaha, Mariner | 8407.21.10 8407.21.90 | Restricted to vessels registered under the Fisheries Management Act 2002 and the Fisheries (Coastal Communities) Regulations 2009, and for subsistence fishing approved by the Government chief executive officer responsible for Fisheries |
| Inboard Engine Yamaha, Mariner or any other engine | 8408.10.10 8408.10.90 | As above |
| Parts for Outboard and | 8409.91.90 | As above |

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| Inboard Engine | 8409.99.90 | |
| Fishing Gear, Long Line Gear, Snapper Gear and Inshore Gear | 9507.10.00 9507.20.00 9507.30.00 | Restricted to persons holding a valid fishing licence and to vessels registered under the Fisheries Management Act 2002 and the Fisheries (Coastal Communities) Regulations 2009 |
| Bait | 0307.41.10 0307.51.10 0303.71.10 0303.79.10 0511.91.10 | Restricted to vessels registered under the Fisheries Management Act 2002 and the Fisheries (Coastal Communities) Regulations 2009 |
| Fishing Aggregating Device (FAD) bow blue line, HI load | 9507.90.00 | Restricted to equipment or materials approved by the Government chief executive officer responsible for fisheries |
| Nylite samson connector | 9507.90.00 | As above |
| Tube thimble with gusset | 9507.90.00 | As above |
| Swivel short | 9507.90.00 | As above |
| Vessel Monitoring System, (MTU), Regulators | 8526.10.00 | As above |
| Automatic location communicators (ALC) | 8526.91.00 | As above |
| Mobile transmitter Unit | 8526.92.00 | As above |
| Authorised observer Equipment, Calibre, materials | 8805.29.00 | As above |
| Hydraulic Drop-line fishing reel | 9507.30.00 | Restricted to vessels registered under the Fisheries Management Act 2002 |
| Pearl Oyster farm | 0307.10.00 | Restricted to equipment or materials approved by the Government chief executive officer responsible for fisheries |
| Culture pearl materials | 7116.10.00 7116.20.00 | As above |
| Cultured nets, | 5608.19.00 | As above |
| Spat collectors | 5608.19.00 | As above |
| Rope for long line | 5609.00.00 | As above |
| Foam | 9404.90.00 | As above |

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| Pearl seedling materials (nuclei, knife, pearl opener) | 8214.90.00 | As above |
| Knife | 8211.92.00 | As above |
| Pearl opener | 8467.21.00 | As above |
| Pearl crafting materials (crafting machine, and polish tools) | 8461.90.00 | As above |
| Water proof sandpaper | 6805.30.00 | As above |
| Net cages, pond and land based cultured system | 5608.19.00 | As above |
| Net cage materials | 5608.19.00 | As above |
| Feed | 2309.90.90 | As above |
| Water Quality Parameters equipment | 8543.70.00 | As above |
| Fertilizer for ponds | 2309.90.90 | As above |
| Cultured Tanks for outdoor and Indoor | 8419.39.00 | As above |
| Algal culture materials | 1212.20.90 | As above |
| Fish fence wire | 7314.20.20 7314.31.20 7314.41.20 | Restricted to persons holding a valid fish fence licence with the Ministry responsible for fisheries” |

Made at Nuku'alofa this 12th day of June 2013.

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