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ATA Applicable Business Category Expansion



- Announcement No.212 of the General Administration of Customs ("Administrative Measures of the Customs of the People's Republic of China for Temporary Entry and Exit of Goods")

- The goods temporarily imported using the temporary goods import document (hereinafter referred to as ATA carnet) are limited to the goods specified in the international conventions on temporary goods import to which China is a party.

- Until 2019, ATA carnet will only be used for "goods displayed or used in exhibitions, fairs, conferences and similar activities".




- Announcement of the General Administration of Customs No.13 of 2019 (Announcement on Matters Related to Supervision of Temporary Inbound and Outbound Goods)The customs will expand the temporary entry ATA carnet for "professional equipment" and "commercial samples". Temporary entry containers and their accessories and equipment, spare parts for maintenance containers shall go through customs formalities in accordance with relevant regulations.

- Effective January 9, 2019.



- Announcement No.193 of 2019 of the General Administration of Customs (Announcement on Temporary Entry of ATA Carnets for Sports Goods)In order to support China's hosting of Beijing 2022 Winter Olympics and Winter Paralympics and other sports activities, according to the provisions of international conventions on temporary import of goods, the customs will accept temporary import ATA carnets for "sporting goods" from January 1, 2020. The ATA carnet can be used to go through the customs formalities for temporary entry for the necessary sporting goods for sports competitions, performances and trainings.

- The above can be referred to the Istanbul Convention



- Our country has expanded its acceptance of the Convention on Temporary Admission (Istanbul Convention) with Appendix B.2 on Professional Equipment and Appendix B.3 on Containers, Pallets, Packaging Materials, Samples and Other Imports Related to Commercial Operations.

ATA Applicable Business Category Expansion

Matters 1 needing attention in declaration

Provide ATA carnet marked with the purpose of the above four types of goods (exhibition, sporting goods, professional equipment and commercial samples) to declare to the customs.



Matters 3 needing attention in declaration

ATA carnets handled overseas shall be filed electronically with the China Council for the Promotion of International Trade/China International Chamber of Commerce before being used in China.



Matters 2 needing attention in declaration

In addition to providing ATA carnets, importing enterprises are required to provide other information to prove the use of imported goods, such as national batch documents, detailed descriptions of goods by enterprises, and lists of goods.



Part of Imposition of Tariffs on US Suspended

China suspends levying tariffs on some commodities

For some imported goods originating in the United States that were originally scheduled to be subject to tariff increases starting at 12: 01 on December 15, 10% and 5% tariffs will not be imposed for the time being (Tax Committee Announcement [2019] No.4), and the tariff increases on automobiles and parts originating in the United States will continue to be suspended (Tax Committee Announcement [2019] No.5).

Maintain the scope of levy

Other measures to levy customs duties on the United States continue to be implemented in accordance with regulations, and the elimination of customs duties on goods in the United States continues. (Tax Committee Announcement [2018] No.5, Tax Committee Announcement [2018] No.6, Tax Committee Announcement [2018] No.7, Tax Committee Announcement [2018] No.8, Tax Committee Announcement [2018] No.13, Tax Committee Announcement [2019] No.3,)

Keep attention

- Concerned about China's Exclusion of Tariff-levying Commodities from the United States (Announcement of the Tariff Commission of the State Council on December 19 on the First Batch of Second Exclusion Lists of Tariff-levying Commodities from the United States)
- Pay attention to China's Exclusion of Tariff-levying Commodities from the United States
- Concerned about the phased elimination of tariff increases on Chinese products promised by the United States, and realizing the change of tariff increases from higher to lower.
- Pay attention to the signing of the first phase of Sino-US economic and trade agreement

US Declares Tax Reduction to Implement Phase I Economic and Trade Agreement

Maintain the scope of levy

- The tariff rate on the original US \$250 billion of goods will remain unchanged at 25%
- Including US \$34 billion (to be implemented from July 6, 2018)
- US \$16 billion (to be implemented from August 23, 2018)
- US \$200 billion (to be implemented from September 24, 2018)

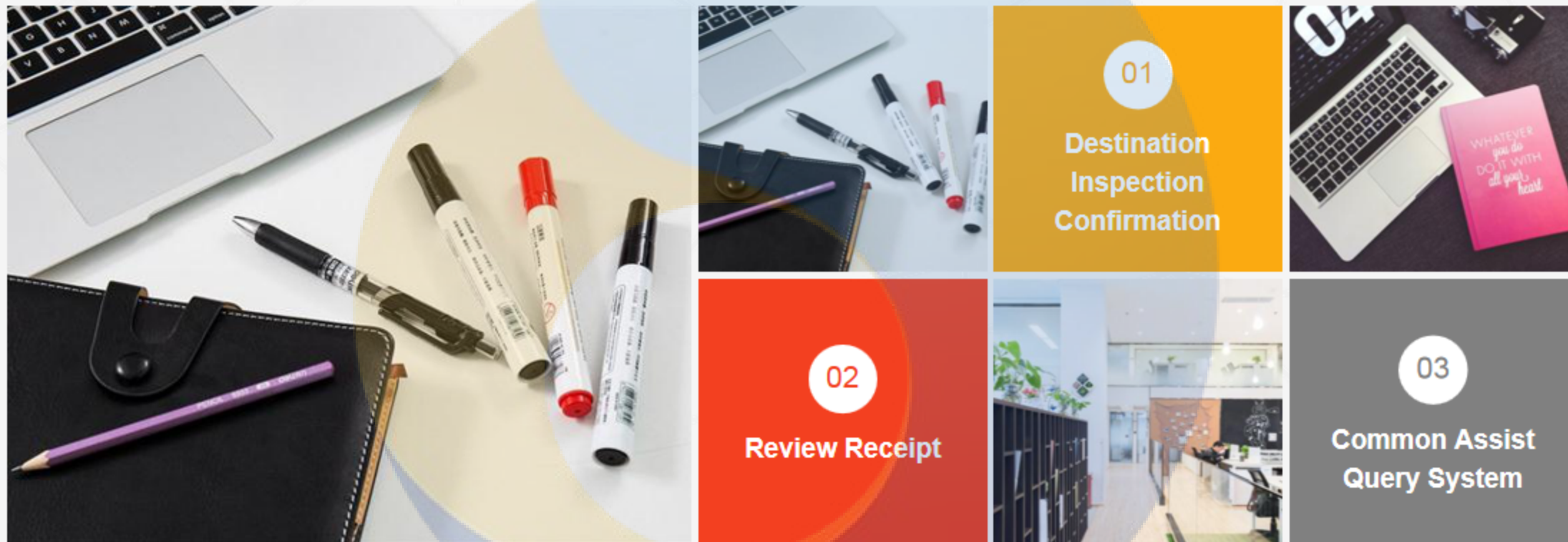
Tax reduction and increase list/deferred increase list

- Regarding the US \$ 300 billion A list of commodities, the US said that it could reduce the tariff rate in the future as the negotiations proceed.
- For US \$300 billion B list goods, the original 15% tariff rate will not be imposed for the time being.

US Initiated Tariff Increase Exclusion List

- At present, the United States has announced the 17th batch of 200 billion tariff exclusion lists. (<https://ustr.gov/issue-areas/enforcement/section-301-investigations/section-301-china/200-billion-trade-action>)
- US \$300 Billion Tariff Exclusion Application Address : <http://exclusion.ustr.gov>
- Application time: 2019/10/31-2020/1/31

Check The Matters Needing Attention For Customs Clearance After The Fourth System Goes Online



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Does the receipt of the single window show that "customs declaration port inspection" refers to customs inspection?

Including customs inspection and original CIQ inspection, the specific inspection instructions and inspection contents shall be determined according to the instructions of the four systems.



Does the receipt of the single window show that "destination inspection" includes customs inspection?

"Destination inspection" generally refers to the external package inspection, animal and plant inspection or quality inspection after the goods arrive at the destination. Customs inspection is usually completed at the port.



Will there be receipts for "customs declaration port inspection" and "destination inspection" for one shipment?

Yes, it needs to be inspected twice and dropped twice, but the probability is very low.



How to check if one shipment has been finished inspection at the destination?

You can inquire in the WeChat public number of "Tongguan Bao". If the destination inspection has been completed, the inquiry status is "Destination Inspection Completed". Importing enterprises need to manage the inspection status of goods to avoid missing inspection.

Summary of Inspection and Quarantine Policies in December

Category	Announcement No.	Comments
Animal and plant products access	Announcement No.195 of 2019 of the General Administration of Customs	Announcement on Quarantine Requirements for Fresh Edible Avocado Plants Imported from Colombia. Since December 13, 2019, Hass varieties (scientific name <i>Persea americana</i> Mills, English name Avocado) of fresh avocados produced in avocado producing areas above 1500 meters above sea level in Colombia are allowed to be imported into China, and the imported products must meet the requirements of plant quarantine for fresh avocados in Colombia.
	Announcement No.194 of 2019 of the General Administration of Customs	Announcement on Quarantine Requirements for Imported Table Grape Plants from Argentina. From December 13, 2019, fresh grape (scientific name <i>Vitis vinifera</i> L., English name Table grapes) produced in Argentine grape producing areas will be allowed to be exported to China. the imported products must meet the requirements for quarantine of fresh grape plants in Argentina.
	Announcement No.192 of 2019 of the General Administration of Customs and the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Areas	Announcement on Preventing Nodular Dermatitis in <i>bos frontalis</i> from Entering China. From December 6, 2019, direct or indirect import of cattle and related products from India is prohibited.
	Announcement No.190 of 2019 of the General Administration of Customs	Announcement on Inspection and Quarantine Requirements for Imported Korean Sweet Pepper. From December 9, 2019, different varieties of sweet pepper (<i>Capsicum annuum</i> var. <i>grossum</i>) planted in Korean greenhouses will be exported to China, and imported products must meet the requirements of Korean sweet pepper inspection and quarantine.
	Announcement No.189 of 2019 of the General Administration of Customs	Announcement on Inspection and Quarantine Requirements for Imported Thai Rice Bran Meal (Cake) and Palm Kernel Meal (Cake). Starting from December 9, 2019, Rice Bran meal (cake) and Palm Kernel meal (cake) produced by oil extraction technology from Rice Bran and Palm Kernel in Thailand will be exported to China. Imported products must meet the inspection and quarantine requirements of Thailand Rice Bran meal (cake) and Palm Kernel meal (cake).

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Animal and plant products access	Announcement No.188 of 2019 of the General Administration of Customs	Announcement on Inspection and Quarantine Requirements for Imported Ukrainian Rapeseed Meal (Cake). From December 9, 2019, Rapeseed meal (cake) produced from rapeseed planted in Ukraine after separation of oil by squeezing, leaching and other processes will be exported to China. Imported products must meet the inspection and quarantine requirements for Rapeseed meal (cake) in Ukraine.
	Announcement No.187 of 2019 of the General Administration of Customs	Announcement on Quarantine Requirements for Imported Mexican Banana Plants. From December 9, 2019, bananas (scientific name <i>Musa spp.</i> , English name Banana) produced in Mexico's banana producing area are allowed to be imported into China. Imported products must meet the requirements of Mexican banana plant quarantine.
	Announcement No.186 of 2019 of the General Administration of Customs	Announcement on Quarantine Requirements for Imports and Exports of Fruits from China and Uzbekistan Passing through Third Countries. Fruits exported to China by Uzbekistan through third countries refer to fruits produced in Uzbekistan that enter through the three ports of Khorgos, Alashankou and Ilg Shitan.
	Announcement No.185 of 2019 of the General Administration of Customs	Announcement on Quarantine Requirements for Importing Greek Fresh Kiwi Plants. Fresh Kiwi fruit (scientific name <i>Actinidia chinensis</i> , <i>A. deliciosa</i> , English name kiwifruit) produced in the kiwifruit production area of Greece has been exported to China since November 29, 2019. Imports must meet the quarantine requirements of Greek fresh kiwi fruit plants.
	Announcement No.184 of 2019 of the General Administration of Customs	Announcement on Quarantine Requirements for Fresh Edible Avocado Plants Imported from Philippines. HASS Avocado (scientific name <i>Persea americana</i> Mills, English name Avocado) has been exported to China since November 29, 2019. Imports must meet the quarantine requirements of Philippine fresh avocado plants.

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Category	Announcement No.	Comments
Animal and plant products access	Announcement No.181 of 2019 of the General Administration of Customs	Announcement on Inspection and Quarantine Requirements for Imported Ethiopian Mung Bean. Green beans produced and processed in Ethiopia since November 21, 2019 are allowed to be exported to China. Imports must meet the requirements of Ethiopia's mung bean inspection and quarantine.
	Announcement No.179 of 2019 of the General Administration of Customs	Announcement on Inspection and Quarantine Requirements for Imported Kazakhstan Forage Wheat Flour. Fine powdery feed raw materials (whole wheat flour, including bran) obtained from processing spring wheat produced in Kazakhstan on November 21, 2019 are allowed to be transported to China. The import of feeding wheat flour must meet the inspection and quarantine requirements of Kazakhstan.
Administrative approval	Announcement No.52 of 2019 of the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology of the People's Republic of China	The import of radio transmission equipment for sale and use in China that is listed in and meets the "Catalogue and Technical Requirements for Micropower Short-range Radio Transmission Equipment" does not require a radio frequency license, a radio station license and a radio transmission equipment model approval, but it shall comply with laws and regulations such as product quality, national standards and the relevant provisions of the national radio management.

Xinhai's Group Company Oujian Attended the Press Conference on "Trade Facilitation and Optimization of Port Business Environment"

⇒ On December 11, Beijing Ruiku Research Center on Trade Security and Facilitation, China International Trade Association and China Customs Declaration Association successfully held a press conference on "Trade Facilitation and Optimization of Port Business Environment" at Beijing Changfu Palace Hotel. Ge Jizhong, Chairman of Shanghai Oujian Network Development Group Co., Ltd., and Wang Min, Vice President, were invited to attend the event. Ge Jizhong, Chairman of Oujian Group, also made a speech on the issue of "Chinese Trade Facilitation Annual Report".



Ge Jizhong, Chairman of Oujian made a wonderful speech

This activity is mainly aimed at actively implementing a series of new measures to optimize the business environment at ports launched by the General Administration of Customs and other departments, continuously innovating work modes and steadily implementing cross-border trade facilitation measures. Let the import and export customs clearance time be further shortened, and promote cross-border trade more quickly and conveniently.

In recent years, the international economic and trade situation is grim and complicated, and the economic and trade environment at home and abroad is constantly changing. Oujian Group will actively implement the relevant requirements of the General Administration of Customs. It will take "six measures" to optimize the business environment at ports, including optimizing the process of inspection and declaration, improving the paperless format standard of attached documents, innovating the customs tax collection and management mode, deepening the construction of a single window for international trade, promoting one-time joint inspection across departments, and establishing a publicity system for port charges.



Ge Jizhong, Chairman of Oujian Group (left), Wang Min, Vice President of Oujian Group (right), and Jiang Xiaoping, Director of Beijing Ruiku Research Center on Trade Facilitation, Security and Facilitation (middle)

Xinhai Actively Participates in 2019 China Customs Development Conference and Taihu Customs Festival



- On December 13, 2019, the "2019 China Customs Development Conference and Taihu Customs Festival" jointly organized by China Customs Declaration Association and China Port Association was successfully held in Wuxi. Wang Jinjian, vice mayor of Wuxi municipal government, secretary of the new Wu district party Committee, Peng Weipeng, deputy director of Nanjing customs, Wang Ping, president of China customs declaration association, attended the forum and delivered speeches. Former Vice Minister of Foreign Trade and Economic Cooperation Long Yongtu, former Director of the State Port Office Huang Shengqiang, Deputy Director of the Policy and Regulations Department of the General Administration of Customs Ge Yanfeng, and Deputy Inspector of the Statistics and Analysis Department of the General Administration of Customs Zhang Bingzheng attended the forum and delivered keynote speeches. Ge Jizhong, Chairman and Wang Min, Vice President of Shanghai Oujian Network Development Group Co., Ltd., and Zhou Xin, General Manager of Shanghai Xinhai Customs Brokerage Co., Ltd., a subsidiary of Oujian Group, were invited to attend the forum. Oujian Group's Shanghai Keyue Information Technology Co., Ltd. has sponsored gifts, and Oujian Group's subsidiary corporation, Shanghai Ougao International Freight Forwarding Co., Ltd. has strongly supported the customs festival award ceremony and parallel sub-forums.



Huang Shengqiang, president of Shanghai Customs College's School of Customs and Public Administration and former director of the State Port Office, delivered a keynote speech on "Smart Port Construction and Optimization of Port Business Environment"



Former vice minister of Foreign Trade and Economic Cooperation Long Yongtu Delivered a Keynote Speech on "Current International Economic and Trade Situation Analysis and Countermeasures"



Ge yanfeng, deputy director of the department of Policies and Regulations of the General Administration of Customs, delivered a keynote speech on "the Construction of the Customs Legal System and the Revision of the Customs Law"



Zhang Bingzheng, deputy inspector of the Statistics and Analysis Department of the General Administration of Customs, made a keynote speech on "Looking at the Current Foreign Trade Situation from Customs Data"

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