# GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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INFORMATION ON IMPLEMENTATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE AGREEMENT

Supplement

Legislation of Finland

<sup>\*</sup>English only. The original text in Finnish and in Swedish of the valuation declaration has been submitted to the secretariat (Non-Tariff Measures Division) where it can be consulted.

DECISION BY THE BOARD OF CUSTOMS BY VIRTUE OF ARTICLE 5 OF THE CUSTOMS VALUATION ACT (906/80)

By virtue of Article 5 of the Customs Valuation Act of December 19th, 1980 the Board of Customs has prescribed as follows:

The Customs value under Article 5 of the Customs Valuation Act, in the following called "applied Customs value", shall be based to the greatest possible extent on a Customs value determined according to the Customs Valuation Act and defined in Article 2 of that Act by applying these valuation methods flexibly.

As an applied Customs value may be used for example the transaction value of identical or similar goods, although the goods have not been imported at or about the same time as the goods being valued, or although these goods have been produced in another country than the goods being valued.

An applied Customs value may also be determined according to the provisions of deductive value, although the goods referred to in Article 19 of the Customs Valuation Act are not sold in the same condition as imported, or although the time limit of 90 days fixed in Article 20 of the said Act has expired.

If the Customs value of hired or leased goods must be determined as an applied Customs value, it can be established according to the provisions of the transaction value of the goods being valued or the transaction value of identical or similar goods, provided that such value can be determined in a reliable way on the basis of a selling offer binding upon the seller or on the basis of a price list binding upon the seller of the goods being valued or the seller of identical or similar goods.

If the Customs value of goods on hire or lease cannot be determined otherwise it shall be established by capitalizing the hire or lease charges. When applying this method the hire or lease charges are multiplied by the economic life time of the goods. If these charges include cost items which are not to be included in the transaction value and if these items are distinguished from the hire charges, they are deducted from the amount calculated as described above.

Where the Customs value of goods imported in second-hand condition must be determined under Article 5 of the Customs Valuation Act, the applied Customs value may be established on the basis of a Customs value determined as provided for by the Customs Valuation Act for identical or similar goods imported in new condition. If this is not possible, the Customs value may be determined, by applying the principles of deductive value, on the basis of the retail price in Finland of identical or similar goods imported in new condition. Price differences due to different commercial levels are to be considered when determining the Customs value.

A reasonable deduction for use shall be made from the Customs value of the new goods. In addition, the Customs value may be reduced due to a long time of use of the goods, damages or defects or for other similar reasons so that the deduction corresponds to the actual decrease in value.

No applied Customs value shall be based on:

- a) the selling price in Finland of goods produced in Finland;
- b) the highest of two alternative values;
- c) the price of the goods in the domestic market of the country of exportation;
- d) the cost of production other than computed values determined under the Customs Valuation Act for identical or similar goods;
- e) the price of the goods for export to another country than Finland:
- f) arbitrary or fictitious values.

## Notice of the Board of Customs No. 224/80

## VALUATION DECLARATION FOR IMPORTS; THE FORM TO BE USED

In consequence of the Agreement on Customs valuation concluded within GATT, the Board of Customs has, by virtue of Section 13 of the Customs Act, confirmed the lay-out key for the Customs valuation declaration for imports, Customs Form No. 112 sr, after having obtained a related statement from the Bank of Finland and the Finnish Bankers' Association.

The Form consists of four parts and serves as valuation declaration when goods are cleared for home use and when the purchase price of goods is paid abroad, as follows:

- Part (1) valuation declaration for imports
  - to the Customs authorities
- Part (2) valuation declaration for imports
  - to the declarant through the Customs
- Part (3) valuation declaration for imports
  - to the declarant
- Part (4) valuation declaration/exchange application B to the foreign exchange bank

The set of Forms, or at least its parts 1 and 2, shall be presented to the Customs at the Customs clearance for home use. When the purchase price of the goods is paid, part 4 of the set of Forms shall be presented to the foreign exchange bank in accordance with the exchange regulations issued by the Bank of Finland. The Form has been drawn up in compliance with the UN lay-out key for trade documents. The size of the Form is A 4. It is printed in Finnish and Swedish. The declarants may, however, have it printed either in Finnish or Swedish for their own use. The new Form will be taken into use from 1 January 1981.

Similar valuation declaration forms were in use before 1st January 1981 (Form No. SP 222 from 2nd January 1968 until 31st March 1979 and Form No. 112 from 1st April 1979 until the end of 1980). They were used as basis when revising the valuation declaration to comply with the provisions of the Agreement on implementation of Article VII of the GATT.

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