

**CPTPP COMMITTEE ON RULES OF ORIGIN AND ORIGIN PROCEDURES****COMMITTEE REPORT**

1. The 5<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP) Committee on Rules of Origin and Origin Procedures was convened virtually on 27<sup>th</sup> June 2023. Delegates from the following CPTPP Members were present at the meeting: Australia, Canada, Chile, Japan, Malaysia, Mexico, New Zealand, Peru, Singapore, and Viet Nam. The meeting was chaired by Christine Mullinder, Principal Trade Policy Analyst, New Zealand Customs Service.
2. The agenda of the Committee meeting is attached in **Annex A**, and a summary of the Committee's discussions, as well as any outcomes under the respective agenda items are set out below.

**AGENDA ITEM 1: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

3. The Committee adopted the agenda.

**AGENDA ITEM 2: REVIEW OF OPERATION/IMPLEMENTATION OF CHAPTER 3 ON RULES OF ORIGIN AND ORIGIN PROCEDURES**

4. Stemming from previous Committee meetings, Members discussed the proposed set of principles for the implementation of certification of origin. Members went through a set of revisions proposed intersessionally by Japan. There was a robust discussion about the differing approaches to the detail of the origin criterion required by different customs administrations and the conditions under which an exporter producer, or importer could correct a certification of origin. Members decided to continue the discussion in its endeavour to collectively confirm a set of key principles for the implementation of certification of origin.
5. The Chair noted that Brunei would become a fully participating Party in early July and requested that Brunei add in their practices to the two non-papers, Origin Criterion Information Requirements, and Verification Procedures.
6. Viet Nam mentioned that they had circulated a survey seeking other Parties experience on importer certification. It appeared that this may not have been received by some Members, and the Chair undertook to re-circulate for Viet Nam.

### **AGENDA ITEM 3: PRODUCT SPECIFIC RULES (PSR) TRANSPOSITION**

#### **HS 2017**

7. Members consented to the transposition for the product specific rules (PSRs) from HS 2012 to HS 2017 nomenclature.
8. The Chair suggested that New Zealand would write an explanatory note and circulate the completed HS 2017 and note to the Trans-Pacific Partnership Commission (TPP Commission) by way of update.

#### **HS 2022**

9. Members noted that the process for adopting a revised nomenclature was still unresolved and decided to discuss the process further at the next meeting.
10. The Chair noted that a draft transposition to the HS 2022 nomenclature had been circulated, along with detailed comments and a separate summary document. The Chair called for Members early comments on these proposals with the aim of meeting again in September 2023 and moving quickly to complete this work.

### **AGENDA ITEM 4: OTHER MATTERS**

11. No other matters were raised.

### **AGENDA ITEM 5: NEXT MEETING**

12. New Zealand, as Chair of the Committee on Rules of Origin, suggested that to maintain momentum on the transposition to HS 2022 the next meeting could be at the end of September, which was accepted by Members.

### **AGENDA ITEM 6: COMMITTEE REPORT**

13. The Committee decided to finalise the Committee report via email correspondence.

**ANNEX A**

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**27 June 2023**

**Virtual Meeting Hosted by New Zealand**

**PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

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