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Item No. 5 on the agenda: International Interests in Mobile Equipment

## (b) Possible preparation of other Protocols to the Cape Town Convention, in particular on agricultural, mining and construction equipment

(prepared by the Secretariat)

Summary Initial input from manufacturers on Harmonized System of Tariffs codes for

the proposed Protocol to the Cape Town Convention on matters specific to

agricultural, mining and construction equipment

Action to be taken To take note

Mandate Work Programme 2014-2016

Priority level Medium (Agricultural, Mining and Construction Equipment)

Related document C.D. (93)4(b)

- 1. During the discussion on the possible scope of a fourth protocol in the two *Issues Dialogues* organised by the United States Department of State and the International Law Institute (19 November 2013 and 22 January 2014, held at ILI Headquarters in Washington, D.C.), participants agreed that the World Customs Organization's *Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System* (and in particular the *Harmonized System of Tariffs*) provided the most comprehensive basis by which initially to undertake the scoping exercise. This method would in fact allow a selection of equipment pursuant to the Harmonized System using criteria related to mobility, value, identifiability and registrability (see UNIDROIT 2014 C.D. (93) 4 (b), paras. 15, 21 and 22).
- 2. This document contains a spreadsheet transmitted to the Secretariat by the State Department of the United States of America containing the initial input received from a number of manufacturers (of various sizes) regarding their views of the tariff classifications that could usefully be covered by a 4th Cape Town Protocol on MAC equipment. This information was then put together by the United States Commerce Department. At the request of the manufacturers the information is aggregated and thus does not identify which manufacturer(s) suggested which HS code. The spreadsheet also contains a note on the use of serial numbers for this equipment, also based on information received from these manufacturers.

## **ACTION TO BE TAKEN**

3. The Governing Council is invited to take note of the input received following the issues dialogue meetings which provides useful information on which to base its discussions on the activities to be undertaken to develop a fourth Protocol to the Cape Town Convention on matters specific to agricultural, mining and construction equipment, including the possible convening of a Study Group entrusted with preparing a first draft of the MAC Protocol prior to the 95<sup>th</sup> session of the Council.

## **Cape Town Convention -- Proposed 4th Protocol Private-Sector Recommendations for Product Coverage**

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Products by Six-digit HS Codes	Products by Six-digit HS Codes	Products by Six-digit HS Codes	Products by Six-digit HS Codes
820713RCK DRLNG EARTH BORNG TLS WRKNG PT CERMETS, & PTS	842911BULLDOZERS AND ANGELDOZERS, SELF- PROP, TRACK LAY	843290AGRIC HORT/FOREST MACHY & LAWN/GROUND ROLLER PARTS	850220 - GENERATING SETS WITH SPARK-IGNITION INTERNAL COMBUSTION PISTON ENGINES
820719INTERCHANGEABLE TOOLS FOR HAND OR MACHINES;& PARTS	842919BULLDOZERS AND ANGLEDOZERS, SELF- PROP NESOI	843311MOWERS FOR LAWNS, PARKS ETC CUT DEVICE HORIZ PLANE	850300 - PARTS FOR USE WITH MACHINES OF 8501 OR 8502
840731SPRK-IGN PISTON ENG F VEH EX RAILWY NOT OVR 50 CC	842920GRADERS AND LEVELERS, SELF-PROPELLED	843319MOWERS FOR LAWNS EXC PWRD W HORZNTL ROTATING CUTTR	870130TRACK-LAYING TRACTORS
840732SPARK-IGNTN RECPRCTNG PISTN ENGINE ETC NOV 250CC	842930SCRAPERS, SELF-PROPELLED	843320MOWERS, NESOI, INC CUTTER BAR FOR TRACTOR MOUNTING	870190TRACTORS, NESOI
840733SPARK-IGNTN RECRCTNG PISTN ENG ETC >250 NOV1000CC	842940TAMPING MACHINES AND ROAD ROLLERS, SELF-PROPELLED	843330HAYING MACHINES OTHER THAN MOWERS	870410DUMPERS DESIGNED FOR OFF-HIGHWAY USE
840790SPARK-IGNTN RCPRCTNG/ROTARY INT COMBSTN ENG, NESOI	842951MECH FRONT-END SHOVEL LOADERS, SELF-PROPELLED	843340STRAW OR FODDER BALERS, INCLUDING PICK-UP BALERS	870423TRUCK, DIESEL ENG, GVW > 20 METRIC TONS
840810MARINE COMPRESS-IGNIN COMBUSTION PISTON ENGINE ETC	842952MECH SHOVELS EXCAVATORS ETC W 360 DEGREE SPRSTRUC	843351COMBINE HARVESTER-THRESHERS	870510MOBILE CRANES
840820COMPRESSION-IGNTN INT COMBUSTION PISTON ENGINE ETC	842959MECH SHOVELS, EXCAVATORS AND SHOVEL LOADERS NESOI	843352THRESHING MACH, EXC COMBINE HARVESTER- THRESHERS	870600CHAS W ENG F TRAC, MTR VEH F PASS/GD & SPECIAL PUR
840890COMPRESSION-IGNTN INT COMBUSTION PISTON ENG, NESOI	843010PILE-DRIVERS AND PILE-EXTRACTORS	843353ROOT OR TUBER HARVESTING MACHINES	870790BODIES F ROAD TRACTORS AND MOTOR VEH(PUB TRAN,ETC)
840991SPARK-IGNITION INT COMBUSTION PISTON ENG PTS NESOI	843020SNOWPLOWS AND SNOWBLOWERS	843359HARVESTING MACHINERY, NESOI	870850DRIVE AXLES WITH DIFFERENTIAL FOR MOTOR VEHICLES
840999SPARK-IGNITION RECIPROCATING INT COM PISTN ENG PTS	843031COAL OR ROCK CUTTERS & TUNNEL MACH, SELF-PROPELLED	843390PARTS FOR HARVESTER, GRASS MOWERS, SORTING EGG ETC	870870ROAD WHEELS & PTS & ACCESSORIES FOR MOTOR VEHICLES
841221HYDRAULIC POWER ENGINES AND MOTORS, LINEAR ACTING	843039COAL OR ROCK CUTTERS & TUNNEL MACH, NESOI	843610MACHINERY FOR PREPARING ANIMAL FEEDS	
841229HYDRAULIC POWER ENGINES & MOTORS EX LINEAR ACTING	843041BORING OR SINKING MACHINERY, NESOI, SELF-PROPELLED	843680AGRIC, HORT, FOREST, BEE-KEEPING MACHINERY NESOI	
841231PNEUMATIC POWER ENGINES AND MOTORS, LINEAR ACTING	843049BORING OR SINKING MACH NESOI, NOT SELF-PROPELLED	843699PTS FOR AGRIC, HORT, FOREST, BEE-KEEP MACH NESOI	
841239PNEUMATIC POWER ENGINES & MOTORS EX LINEAR ACTING	843050MOVING, GRADING ETC MACHINES ETC NESOI, SELF-PROP	846711PNEUMATIC ROTARY TYPE TOOLS FOR WORK IN THE HAND P	

841280ENGINES AND MOTORS, NESOI	843061TAMPING OR COMPACTING MACHINERY,NOT SELF-PROPELLED	846719PNEUMATIC EX ROTARY TYPE TOOLS FOR WORK IN HAND
841290ENGINE AND MOTOR PARTS, NESOI	843069MOVING, GRADING ETC MACHINES ETC NESOI, NO SELF-PR	847420CRUSHING/GRINDING MACH FOR EARTH STONE MNERL SUBS
841330FUEL, LUB/COOLING MED PUMPS FOR INT COMB PISTN ENG	843110PTS FOR PULLEY TACKLE, HOIST EX SKIP, WINCHES, ETC	847490PARTS OF MACH FOR SORTING ETC EARTH STONE ORES ETC
841340CONCRETE PUMPS	843139PTS FOR LIFTING, HNDLNG, LOADING/UNLDNG MACH NESOI	847910MACHINERY FOR PUBLIC WORKS, BUILDING OR THE LIKE
841350RECIPROCATING POSITIVE DISPLACEMENT PUMPS, NESOI	843141BUCKETS, SHOVELS, GRABS & GRIPS FOR DERRICKS ETC	847989MACH & MECHANICAL APPL W INDIVIDUAL FUNCTION NESOI
841360ROTARY POSITIVE DISPLACEMENT PUMPS, NESOI	843142BULLDOZER OR ANGLEDOZER BLADES	847990PTS OF MACH/MECHNCL APPL W INDVDUL FUNCTION NESOI
841391PARTS OF PUMPS FOR LIQUIDS	843143PARTS FOR BORING OR SINKING MACHINERY, NESOI	848310TRANSMISSION SHAFTS (INC CAM-&CRANK-SHAFT), ETC.
841459FANS, NESOI	843149PARTS AND ATTACHMENTS NESOI FOR DERRICKS ETC.	850161 - ELECTRIC MOTORS AND GENERATORS OF AN OUPUT NOT > 75 KVA
842481AGRICULTURAL OR HORTICULTURAL MECH SPRAYERS ETC	843210PLOWS FOR SOIL PREPARATION OR CULTIVATION	850162 - ELECTRIC MOTORS AND GENERATORS OF AN OUPUT > 75 KVA BUT NOT > 375 KVA
842620TOWER CRANES	843221DISC HARROWS	850163 - ELECTRIC MOTORS AND GENERATORS OF AN OUPUT > 375 KVA BUT NOT > 750 KVA
842641DERRICKS ETC SELF-PROPELLED ON TIRES, NESOI	843229HARROWS EX DISC, SCARIFIERS CULTIVATORS HOES ETC	850164 - ELECTRIC MOTORS AND GENERATORS OF AN OUPUT > 750 KVA
842649DERRICKS ETC SELF-PROPELLED NOT ON TIRES, NESOI	843230SEEDERS, PLANTERS AND TRANSPLANTERS	850211 - ELECTRIC GENERATING SETS AND ROTARY CONVERTERS, OUTPUT NOT > 75 KVA
842699LIFTING OR HANDLING MACHINERY, NESOI	843240MANURE SPREADERS AND FERTILIZER DISTRIBUTORS	850212 - ELECTRIC GENERATING SETS AND ROTARY CONVERTERS, OUTPUT > 75 KVA BUT NOT > 375 KVA
842890LIFTING, HANDLING, LOADING & UNLOADING MACHY NESOI	843280AGRIL,HORT,FORSTY MACH FOR SOIL PREP OR CULTIVATE	850213 - ELECTRIC GENERATING SETS AND ROTARY CONVERTERS, OUTPUT > 375 KVA

All finished goods recommended by major global manufacturers for coverage under a 4<sup>th</sup> Protocol of the Cape Town Convention are already assigned uniquely identifiable product identification or serial numbers by the manufacturer. Finished goods in this context refers to large, complex pieces of machinery, such as combine harvesters, bulldozers, specialized mining machines, generator sets, and so on. These PIN or serial numbers are permanently attached to each piece of equipment. Manufacturers use these unique identifiers to track individual pieces of equipment for after-sales service, warranty, quality-control, and other commercial purposes. Some parts and components identified by the manufacturers by six-digit HS codes may not themselves be serialized — that is, have a unique identifier number or code — but would be covered by the serial number of the final product of which they are components.