

Effective August 24, 2001, small businesses employing military reservists may apply for economic injury disaster loans if those employees are called up to active duty during a period of military conflict existing on or after March 24, 1999 and those employees are essential to the success of the small business daily operations. Since this program applies to military conflicts existing on or after March 24, 1999, small businesses that meet all other eligibility criteria will have until November 26, 2001 to apply. Otherwise the filing period for small businesses to apply for economic injury loan assistance under the Military Reservist Economic Injury Disaster Loan Program begins on the date the essential employee is ordered to active duty and ends on the date 90 days after the essential employee is discharged or released from active duty.

The purpose of the Military Reservist Economic Injury Disaster Loan Program (MREIDL) is to provide funds to eligible small businesses to meet its ordinary and necessary operating expenses that it could have met, but is unable to meet, because an essential employee was called-up to active duty in their role as a military reservist. These loans are intended only to provide the amount of working capital needed by a small business to pay its necessary obligations as they mature until operations return to normal after the essential employee is released from active military duty.

Applications for loans for Military Reservist Economic Injury Loans may be obtained and filed at the address listed below: U.S. Small Business Administration, Disaster Area 4 Office, P.O. Box 13795, Sacramento, CA 95853-4795, 1-800-488-5323.

The interest rate for eligible small businesses is 4 percent. The number assigned for economic injury is R40100.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Program No. 59002.)

Dated: August 16, 2001.

Herbert L. Mitchell,

Associate Administrator For Disaster Assistance.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 3758]

Determination: Assistance to Peru: Determination Pursuant to Section 530 of the Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2001

Pursuant to section 530 of the Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2001, I hereby determine that the Government of Peru has made substantial progress in creating the conditions for free and fair elections, respecting human rights, rule of law, independence and constitutional role of judiciary and national congress, freedom of expression and independent media. This determination shall be published in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: August 7, 2001.

Colin L. Powell,

Secretary of State.

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OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

Determinations Under the African Growth and Opportunity Act

AGENCY: Office of the United States Trade Representative.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The United States Trade Representative has determined that Malawi has adopted an effective visa system and related procedures to prevent unlawful transshipment and the use of counterfeit documents in connection with shipments of textile and apparel articles and has implemented and follows, or is making substantial progress toward implementing and following, the customs procedures required by the African Growth and Opportunity Act. Therefore, imports of eligible products from Malawi qualify for the textile and apparel benefits provided under the AGOA.

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 15, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: James Roth, Deputy Director for African Affairs, Office of the United States Trade Representative, (202) 395-9514.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The African Growth and Opportunity Act (Title I of the Trade and Development Act of 2000, Pub. L. No. 106-200) (AGOA) provides preferential tariff treatment for imports of certain textile and apparel products of beneficiary sub-

Saharan African countries. The textile and apparel trade benefits under the AGOA are available to imports of eligible products from countries that the President designates as "beneficiary sub-Saharan African countries," provided that these countries (1) have adopted an effective visa system and related procedures to prevent unlawful transshipment and the use of counterfeit documents, and (2) have implemented and follow, or are making substantial progress toward implementing and following, certain customs procedures that assist the Customs Service in verifying the origin of the products.

In Proclamation 7350 (Oct. 2, 2000), the President designated Malawi as a "beneficiary sub-Saharan African country." Proclamation 7350 delegated to the United States Trade Representative (USTR) the authority to determine whether designated countries have met the two requirements described above. The President directed the USTR to announce any such determinations in the **Federal Register** and to implement them through modifications of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTS). Based on actions that Malawi has taken, I have determined that Malawi has satisfied these two requirements.

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority vested in the USTR by Proclamation 7350, U.S. note 7(a) to subchapter II of chapter 98 of the HTS and U.S. note 1 to subchapter XIX of chapter 98 of the HTS are each modified by inserting "Malawi" in alphabetical sequence in the list of countries. The foregoing modifications to the HTS are effective with respect to articles entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the effective date of this notice. Importers claiming preferential tariff treatment under the AGOA for entries of textile and apparel articles should ensure that those entries meet the applicable visa requirements. *See Visa Requirements Under the African Growth and Opportunity Act*, 66 FR 7837 (2001).

Robert B. Zoellick,

United States Trade Representative.

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OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

Determination Relating to the Generalized System of Preferences

AGENCY: Office of the United States Trade Representative.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The United States Trade Representative (USTR) has determined that the effective date of certain modifications to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTS) that the President proclaimed in Proclamation 7454 of June 29, 2001, relating to the eligibility of certain products of India under the Generalized System of Preferences (GSP) program shall be the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Elena Bryan, Director for India and Indochina Affairs, Office of the United States Trade Representative, (202) 395-6813.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the GSP program, imports of many products of designated beneficiary developing countries enter the United States duty-free. (19 U.S.C. 2461 *et seq.*) In Proclamation 7454 of June 29, 2001 (66 FR 35365 (July 5, 2001)), the President modified the eligibility of certain products of India for duty-free treatment under the GSP program. The President (1) Redesignated certain products of India that previously were not eligible for duty-free treatment under the GSP program because imports of these products from India had exceeded the statutory "competitive need limitations" (CNLs); (2) granted "de minimis" CNL waivers to India for certain products; and (3) granted full CNL waivers to India for certain other products.

Annex III of Proclamation 7454 sets forth the modifications to the HTS that are necessary to implement these changes. Proclamation 7454 delegated to the USTR the authority to determine the effective date of these HTS modifications and directed the USTR to announce that date in the **Federal Register**. Accordingly, pursuant to the authority vested in me by Proclamation 7454, I have determined that the modifications to the HTS set forth in Annex III of Proclamation 7454 shall be effective with respect to articles entered, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

Robert B. Zoellick,

United States Trade Representative.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Coast Guard

[USCG-2001-10402]

Chemical Transportation Advisory Committee; Charter Renewal

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DOT.

ACTION: Notice of charter renewal.

SUMMARY: The Secretary of Transportation has renewed the charter for the Chemical Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC) for 2 years from May 27, 2001 until May 27, 2003. CTAC is a Federal advisory committee under 5 U.S.C. App.2. It advises the Coast Guard on safe transportation and handling of hazardous materials in bulk on U.S.-flag vessels and barges in U.S. ports and waterways.

ADDRESSES: You may request a copy of the charter by writing to Commandant (G-MSO-3), U.S. Coast Guard, 2100 Second Street SW., Washington, DC 20593-0001; by calling 202-267-1217; or by faxing 202-267-4570. This notice and the charter are available on the Internet at <http://dms.dot.gov> in docket [USCG-2001-10402].

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Commander James Michalowski, Executive Director of CTAC, or Ms. Sara Ju, Assistant to the Executive Director, telephone 202-267-1217, fax 202-267-4570.

Dated: August 16, 2001.

Joseph J. Angelo,

Director of Standards, Marine Safety and Environmental Protection.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Advisory Circular 25.1435-1, Hydraulic System Certification Tests and Analysis

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) DOT.

ACTION: Notice of issuance of advisory circular.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the issuance of Advisory Circular (AC) 25.1435-1, Hydraulic System Certification Tests and Analysis. This AC provides guidance material for use as an acceptable means, but not the only means, of demonstrating compliance with the airworthiness standards for transport category airplanes that contain hydraulic system requirements. It is not

mandatory and does not constitute a regulation.

DATES: Advisory Circular 25.1435-1 was issued by the Acting Manager, Transport Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service, ANM-100, on May 21, 2001.

How to obtain copies: A paper copy of AC 25.1435-1 may be obtained by writing to the U.S. Department of Transportation, Subsequent Distribution Office, DOT Warehouse, SVC-121.23, Ardmore East Business Center, 3341Q 75th Ave., Landover, MD 20785, telephone 301-322-5377, or faxing your request to the warehouse at 301-386-5394. The AC also will be available on the Internet at <http://www.faa.gov/avr/air/airhome.htm>, at the link titled "Advisory Circulars" under the "Available Information" down-drop menu.

Dated: Issued in Renton, Washington, on August 14, 2001.

Ali Bahrami,

Acting Manager, Transport Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service, ANM-100.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

Advisory Circular 25.723-1, Shock Absorption Tests

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

ACTION: Notice of issuance of advisory circular.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the issuance of Advisory Circular (AC) 25.723-1, Shock Absorption Tests. This AC sets forth an acceptable means, but not the only means, of demonstrating compliance with the provisions of part 25 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (FAR) related to the use of landing gear shock absorption tests and analyses to determine landing loads for transport category airplanes.

DATE: Advisory Circular 25.723-1 was issued by the Acting Manager, Transport Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service, ANM-100, on May 25, 2001.

How to obtain copies: A paper copy of AC 25.723-1 may be obtained by writing to the U.S. Department of Transportation, Subsequent Distribution Office, DOT Warehouse, SVC-121.23, Ardmore East Business Center, 3341Q 75th Ave., Landover, MD 20785, telephone 301-322-5377, or faxing your request to the warehouse at 301-386-