

ANNEX

A. Effective with respect to goods entered for consumption, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after 12:01 a.m. eastern time on August 15, 2026, subchapter III of chapter 99 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) is hereby modified as follows:

1. by inserting in numerical sequence the following new U.S. note 41 and provisions:

"41. (a) Headings 9903.45.30 and 9903.45.31 establish temporary modifications applicable to entries of quartz surface products. For the purposes of this note, the term quartz surface products ("QSP") means slabs and other surfaces created from a mixture of materials that includes predominately silica (e.g., quartz, quartz powder, cristobalite, glass powder) as well as a resin binder (e.g., an unsaturated polyester). The incorporation of other materials, including, but not limited to, pigments, cement, or other additives does not remove the merchandise from the scope of this note. However, the scope only includes products where the silica content is greater than any other single material, by actual weight. QSP is typically sold as rectangular slabs with a total surface area of approximately 45 to 60 square feet and a nominal thickness of one, two, or three centimeters. However, the scope includes surface products of all other sizes, thicknesses, and shapes. In addition to slabs, the scope includes, but is not limited to, other surfaces such as countertops, backsplashes, vanity tops, bar tops, work tops, tabletops, flooring, wall facing, shower surrounds, fireplace surrounds, mantels, and tiles. QSP may be polished or unpolished, cut or uncut, fabricated or not fabricated, cured or uncured, edged or not edged, finished or unfinished, thermoformed or not thermoformed, packaged or unpackaged, and may have any type of surface finish. In addition, QSP is covered by the scope whether or not it is imported attached to, or in conjunction with, non-subject merchandise such as sinks, sink bowls, vanities, cabinets, and furniture. If QSP is imported attached to, or in conjunction with, such non-subject merchandise, only the QSP is covered by the scope.

Subject merchandise includes material matching the above description that has been finished, packaged, or otherwise fabricated in a third country, including by cutting, polishing, curing, edging, thermoforming, attaching to, or packaging with another product, or any other finishing, packaging or fabrication that would not otherwise remove the merchandise from the scope if performed in the country of manufacture of the QSP. The scope does not cover quarried stone surface products, such as granite, marble, soapstone or quartzite.

The scope covers imported products provided for under HTSUS subheadings 6810.99.0020, 6810.99.0040, and 7020.00.6000.

(b) Imported goods provided for under headings 9903.45.30 and 9903.45.31 shall be subject to duties as provided herein, and such duties shall be cumulative and imposed in addition to the rate of duty established for any such goods in chapters 68 or 70 of the tariff schedule. All antidumping,

countervailing or other duties and charges applicable to such goods shall continue to be imposed.

(c) For the purposes of this note and headings 9903.45.30 and 9903.45.31, the products of the following countries shall not be subject to the rates of duty and tariff-rate quotas provided for therein:

- (i) Canada and Mexico;
- (ii) Australia, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Israel, Nicaragua, Panama, Peru, Singapore and South Korea;

(iii) The following developing countries:

Afghanistan, Albania, Algeria, Angola, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belize, Benin, Bhutan, Bolivia, Bosnia and Hercegovina, Botswana, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Burma, Burundi, Cambodia, Cameroon, Cape Verde, Central African Republic, Chad, Comoros, Congo (Brazzaville), Congo (Kinshasa), Côte d'Ivoire, Djibouti, Dominica, Ecuador, Egypt, Eritrea, Eswatini, Ethiopia, Fiji, Gabon, The Gambia, Georgia, Ghana, Grenada, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Haiti, Indonesia, Iraq, Jamaica, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kiribati, Kosovo, Kyrgyzstan, Lebanon, Lesotho, Liberia, Madagascar, Malawi, Maldives, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Moldova, Mongolia, Montenegro, Mozambique, Namibia, Nepal, Niger, Nigeria, North Macedonia, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Paraguay, Philippines, Rwanda, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Samoa, Sao Tomé and Príncipe, Senegal, Serbia, Sierra Leone, Solomon Islands, Somalia, South Africa, South Sudan, Sri Lanka, Suriname, Tanzania, Timor-Leste, Togo, Tonga, Tunisia, Tuvalu, Uganda, Ukraine, Uzbekistan, Vanuatu, Yemen (Republic of), Zambia and Zimbabwe; and

(iv) The following Caribbean Basin Economic Recovery Act beneficiary countries and territories:

Antigua and Barbuda, Aruba, the Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, British Virgin Islands, Curaçao, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Haiti, Jamaica, Montserrat, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, and Trinidad and Tobago.

(d) For the purposes of heading 9903.45.30, the maximum aggregate quantity of all QSP as defined in subdivision (a) in the periods enumerated below shall be as follows:

Annual	1 st quarter [August 15] through [November 14]	2 nd quarter [November 15] through [February 13]	3 rd quarter [February 14] through [May 15]	4 th quarter [May 16] through [August 14]
If entered during the period	3,251,606 meters square	3,251,606 meters square	3,251,606 meters square	3,251,606 meters square

[August 15], 2026, through [August 14], 2027: 13,006,426 meters square				
If entered during the period [August 15], 2027, through [August 14], 2028: 14,771,583 meters square	3,692,896 meters square	3,692,896 meters square	3,692,896 meters square	3,692,896 meters square
If entered during the period [August 15], 2028, through [August 14], 2029: 15,236,099 meters square	3,809,025 meters square	3,809,025 meters square	3,809,025 meters square	3,809,025 meters square
If entered during the period [August 15], 2029, through [August 14], 2030: 15,700,614 meters square	3,925,153 meters square	3,925,153 meters square	3,925,153 meters square	3,925,153 meters square

No shipments of QSP shall be allowed to enter in an aggregate quantity under heading 9903.45.30, during any of the quarters above that is in excess of the quantity stated, except to the extent of any unused quantity carried forward from a prior quarter. U.S. Customs and Border Protection shall add any unused quantity of the total quota for a quarterly period to the total quota for the next quarterly period no later than 14 days after the last day of the prior quarterly period.

Entry of goods in excess of the quantities specified above, and any applicable quantity carried over from a prior quarter, shall be entered under the over-quota heading 9903.45.31.

The maximum aggregate quantities described above do not include products of countries enumerated in subdivision (c) of this note.

(e) For the purposes of this note and of headings 9903.45.30 and 9903.45.31, the duty rate in the Rates of Duty 1-General subcolumn and the Rates of Duty 2 column for goods entered under such subheadings shall be as follows:

	9903.45.30	9903.45.31
If entered during the period [August 15], 2026, through [August 14], 2027	25%	50%
If entered during the period [August 15], 2027, through [August 14], 2028	23%	49%
If entered during the period [August 15], 2028, through [August 14], 2029	21%	48%
If entered during the period [August 15], 2029, through [August 14], 2030	19%	47%”

2. The following new headings are inserted in numerical sequence, with the material in each new heading inserted in the columns of the HTSUS labeled “Heading/Subheading”, “Article Description”, “Rates of Duty 1-General”, “Rates of Duty 1-Special” and “Rates of Duty 2”, respectively:

Heading / Subheading	Article Description	Rates of Duty		
		1		2
		General	Special	
“9903.45.30	Quartz surface products, as defined in U.S. note 41(a) to this subchapter, when the product of any country not exempt under U.S. note 41(c) to this subchapter, if entered in an aggregate quantity not exceeding the quantity defined in U.S. note 41(d) to this subchapter	25%		25%

9903.45.31	Quartz surface products, as defined in U.S. note 41(a) to this subchapter, when the product of any country not exempt under U.S. note 41(c) to this subchapter, if entered in an aggregate quantity exceeding the quantity defined in note 41(d) to this subchapter	50%		50%
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B. Effective with respect to goods entered for consumption, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after 12:01 a.m. eastern time on [August 15], 2027, subchapter III of chapter 99 of the HTSUS is modified as follows:

1. The "Rates of Duty 1-General" and "Rates of Duty 2" columns of heading 9903.45.30 are modified by deleting "25%" and inserting "23%" in lieu thereof; and
2. The "Rates of Duty 1-General" and "Rates of Duty 2" columns of heading 9903.45.31 are modified by deleting "50%" and inserting "49%" in lieu thereof.

C. Effective with respect to goods entered for consumption, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after 12:01 a.m. eastern time on [August 15], 2028, subchapter III of chapter 99 of the HTSUS is modified as follows:

1. The "Rates of Duty 1-General" and "Rates of Duty 2" columns of heading 9903.45.30 are modified by deleting "23%" and inserting "21%" in lieu thereof; and
2. The "Rates of Duty 1-General" and "Rates of Duty 2" columns of heading 9903.45.31 are modified by deleting "49%" and inserting "48%" in lieu thereof.

D. Effective with respect to goods entered for consumption, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after 12:01 a.m. eastern time on [August 15], 2029, subchapter III of chapter 99 of the HTSUS is modified as follows:

1. The "Rates of Duty 1-General" and "Rates of Duty 2" columns of heading 9903.45.30 are modified by deleting "21%" and inserting "19%" in lieu thereof; and
2. The "Rates of Duty 1-General" and "Rates of Duty 2" columns of heading 9903.45.31 are modified by deleting "48%" and inserting "47%" in lieu thereof.