

## Examples of Applications of Chapter 3 ( Rules of Origin)

### 1. Local Value Content (LVC)

#### 1.1 Example of the calculation of LVC provided for in paragraph 1 of Article 27.

Company A produces refrigerators in Party A using non-originating materials and plans to export them to Party B under the Agreement.

Pursuant to paragraph 2 of Article 26, the requirements for qualification as an originating good for refrigerator (HS8418.10) is stipulated in the product specific rules (PSR); the applicable PSR is LVC 40% or CTSH.

Company A has to prove that the refrigerator satisfies either the CTC-based rule at the 6-digits level or the 40% LVC-based rule. If Company A chooses the 40% LVC-based rule in this case, Company A has to calculate the LVC in the way as illustrated below.

Company A's manufacturing costs of the refrigerator:

	Sources	Originating Status	Manufacturing costs (Value US\$)
<b>Parts a</b>	<b>Party A</b>	<b>originating</b>	<b>300</b>
<b>Parts b</b>	<b>Party A</b>	<b>originating</b>	<b>100</b>
Parts c	China	non-originating	100
Parts d	China	non-originating	100
Parts e	Unknown	non-originating	200
Other Costs	N/A	N/A	200
<b>F.O.B. Price</b>	—	—	<b>1,000</b>

The formula for calculating the LVC is:

$$\text{LVC} = \frac{\text{FOB} - \text{VNM}}{\text{FOB}} \times 100\%$$

“FOB” is, except as provided for in paragraph 3 of Article 27 of the Agreement, the free-on-board value of a good, inclusive of the cost of transport from the producer to the port or site of final shipment abroad.

“LVC” is the LVC of a good, expressed as a percentage.

“VNM” is the value of non-originating materials used in the production of a good.

The calculation of LVC of the refrigerator in this example is:

$$\text{LVC} = \frac{\$1,000 - \$400 \text{ (Parts c, d and e)}}{\$1,000} \times 100 = 60\% \geq 40\%$$

The above result of the calculation shows that the refrigerator qualifies as an originating good of Party A under the Agreement.

## 1.2 Example of the use of the method provided for in paragraph 5 of Article 27 (“roll-up”)

Company A produces refrigerators in Party A using non-originating materials and plans to export them to Party B under the Agreement.

Pursuant to paragraph 2 of Article 26, the requirements for qualification as an originating good for refrigerator (HS8418.10) is stipulated in PSR; the applicable PSR is LVC 40% or CTSH.

Company A has to prove that the refrigerator satisfies either the CTC-based rule at 6-digits level or the 40% LVC based rule. Company A chooses the 40% LVC-based rule.

Company A purchased Parts b (electric motor) from Company X in Japan. To calculate the LVC of the refrigerator, Company A has to obtain from company X the information concerning the originating status of Parts b.

Manufacturing costs of Parts b (electric motor):

	Sources	Originating Status	Manufacturing costs (Value US\$)
<b>Sub-parts b1</b>	<b>Party A</b>	<b>originating</b>	<b>80</b>
Sub-parts b2	China	non-originating	40
Other Costs	N/A	N/A	20
<b>F.O.B. Price</b>	—	—	<b>140</b>

The requirements for qualification as an originating good for electric motor (HS8501.10) are stipulated in paragraph 1 of Article 26 of the Agreement as follows:

1. For the purposes of paragraph (b) of Article 24, a good shall qualify as an originating good of a Party if:

- (a) *the good has a local value content (hereinafter referred to as “LVC”), calculated using the formula set out in Article 27, of not less than forty (40) per cent, and the final process of production has been performed in the Party; or*
- (b) *all non-originating materials used in the production of the good have undergone in the Party a change in tariff classification (hereinafter referred to as “CTC”) at the 4-digit level (i.e. a change in tariff heading) of Harmonized System.*

Company X chooses the 40% LVC-based rule and calculates LVC of Parts b as follows:

$$\text{LVC} = \frac{\$140 - \$40 (\text{Sub - parts b2})}{\$140} \times 100 = 71\% \geq 40\%$$

The above result of the calculation shows that Parts b qualifies as an originating material of Party A under the Agreement.

Company A's manufacturing costs of the refrigerator:

Material/Parts	Sources	Originating Status	Manufacturing costs (Value US\$)
<b>Parts a</b>	<b>Party A</b>	<b>originating</b>	<b>180</b>
<b>Parts b</b>	<b>Party A</b>	<b>originating</b>	<b>140</b>
<b>Sub-Parts b1</b>	<b>Party A</b>	<b>originating</b>	<b>80</b>
Sub-Parts b2	China	non-originating	40
Other Costs	N/A	N/A	20
Parts c	China	non-originating	280
Parts d	China	non-originating	200
Parts e	India	non-originating	100
Other Costs	N/A	N/A	100
<b>F.O.B. Price</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>1,000</b>

The calculation of the LVC of the refrigerator in this example is;

$$\text{LVC} = \frac{\$1,000 - \$580 \text{ (Parts c, d and e)}}{\$1,000} \times 100 = 42\% \geq 40\%$$

The above result of the calculation shows that the refrigerator qualifies as an originating good of Party A under the Agreement.

If, hypothetically, there were not such a provision as paragraph 5 of Article 27, the refrigerator would not qualify as an originating good of Party A as the calculation below shows:

$$\text{LVC} = \frac{\$1,000 - (\$40 \text{ (Sub - Parts b2)} + \$580 \text{ (Parts c, d and e)})}{\$1,000} \times 100 = 38\% \leq 40\%$$

### 1.3 Example of the calculation of LVC when the exporter or the producer can not determine the origin of some parts.

Company A produces refrigerators in Party A using non-originating materials and plans to export them to Party B under the Agreement.

Pursuant to paragraph 2 of Article 26, the requirements for qualification as an originating good for refrigerator (HS8418.10) is stipulated in PSR; the applicable PSR is LVC 40% or CTSH.

Company A has to prove that the refrigerator satisfies either the CTC-based rule at 6-digits level or the 40% LVC-based rule. If Company A chooses the 40% LVC-based rule in this case, Company A may calculate the LVC in the way as illustrated below.

Company A's manufacturing costs of the refrigerator:

	Sources	Originating Status	Manufacturing costs (Value US\$)
<b>Parts a</b>	<b>Party A</b>	<b>originating</b>	<b>280</b>
<b>Parts b</b>	<b>Party A</b>	<b>originating</b>	<b>140</b>
Parts c	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown
Parts d	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown
Parts e	Unknown	unknown	Unknown
Other Costs	N/A	N/A	80
F.O.B. Price	--	--	1,000

The calculation of the LVC of the refrigerator in this example is;

$$LVC = \frac{\$1,000 - (\$1000 - \$420(\text{Parts a and b}))}{\$1,000} \times 100 = 42\% \geq 40\%$$

Without regard to the value of Parts c, Parts d, and Parts e (and Other Costs), the above result of the calculation shows that the refrigerator qualifies as an originating good of Party A under the Agreement.

## 2. Accumulation (Article 29)

### 2.1 Example of the calculation of LVC

Company A produces Plasma Display Panel (PDP) TVs (HS8528.72) in Party A and plans to export them to Party B under the Agreement. Parts b and c are imported from Party B and are used in the manufacturing process of the PDP TV.

The requirements for qualification as an originating good for the PDP TV (HS8528.72) are stipulated in paragraph 1 of Article 26 of the Agreement as follows:

1. For the purposes of paragraph (b) of Article 24, a good shall qualify as an originating good of a Party if:

- (a) *the good has a local value content (hereinafter referred to as “LVC”), calculated using the formula set out in Article 27, of not less than forty (40) per cent, and the final process of production has been performed in the Party; or*
- (b) *all non-originating materials used in the production of the good have undergone in the Party a change in tariff classification (hereinafter referred to as “CTC”) at the 4-digit level (i.e. a change in tariff heading) of Harmonized System.*

Company A has to prove that the PDP TV satisfies either the CTC-based rule at the 4-digits level or the 40% LVC-based rule. If Company A chooses the 40% LVC-based rule in this case, Company A has to calculate the LVC in the way as illustrated below.

Company A’s manufacturing costs of the PDP TV:

	Sources	Originating Status	Manufacturing costs (Value US\$)
<b>Parts a</b>	<b>Party A</b>	<b>Originating</b>	<b>600</b>
<b>Parts b</b>	<b>Party B</b>	considered as originating in Party A	<b>100</b>

	(considered as Party A)	<b>Originating in Party B</b>	
<b>Parts c</b>	<b>Party B</b> (considered as Party A)	considered as originating in Party A <b>Originating in Party B</b>	<b>400</b>
Parts d	India	non-originating	300
Parts e	S. Korea	non-originating	200
Parts f	China	non-originating	200
Other Costs	N/A	N/A	200
<b>F.O.B. Price</b>	--	--	<b>2,000</b>

Parts b and Parts c are considered as originating materials of Party A in accordance with Article 29.

The calculation of the LVC of the PDP TV in this example is;

$$RVC = \frac{\$2,000 - \$700 \text{ (Parts d, e and f)}}{\$2,000} \times 100 = 65\% \geq 40\%$$

The above result of the calculation shows that the PDP TV qualifies as an originating good of Party A under the Agreement.

### 3. De Minimis (Article 28)

#### 3.1 Example of the application of De Minimis for goods other than textile goods (subparagraph 1 (a))

Company A produces baby carriages (HS8715.00) in Party A and plans to export them to Party B under the Agreement.

The requirements for qualification as an originating good for baby carriages (HS8715.00) are stipulated in paragraph 1 of Article 26 under the Agreement as follows:

1. For the purposes of paragraph (b) of Article 24, a good shall qualify as an originating good of a Party if:

*(a) the good has a local value content (hereinafter referred to as “LVC”), calculated using the formula set out in Article 27, of not less than forty (40) per cent, and the final process of production has been performed in the Party; or*

*(b) all non-originating materials used in the production of the good have undergone in the Party a change in tariff classification (hereinafter referred to as “CTC”) at the 4-digit level (i.e. a change in tariff heading) of Harmonized System.*

Company A has to prove that the baby carriages satisfies either the CTC- based rule at 4-digits level or the 40% LVC-based rule. Company A chooses the CTC rule in this case.

In this case, a baby carriage (HS8715.00) is made from Indian aluminum bar (HS7604.10) and Chinese handle grip (HS8715.00). While aluminum bar undergoes a change in tariff classification at 4-digits level, since the handle grip does not undergo change in tariff classification from any other subheading, the baby carriage does not satisfy the CTC-based rule. Nevertheless, if the value of the handle grip does not exceed 10% of F.O.B. price of the baby carriage, the baby carriage is considered as an originating good of Party A in accordance with subparagraph 1 (a) of Article 28.

### 3.2 Example of the application of De Minimis for textile goods (subparagraph 1(c))

Company A produces silk yarn (HS5006.00) in Party A and plans to export them to Party B under the Agreement.

Pursuant to paragraph 2 of Article 26, the requirements for qualification as an originating good for silk yarn (HS5006.00) is stipulated in PSR; the applicable PSR is CTH except from heading 50.05,.i



The silk yarn (HS5006.00) is made from Indian raw silk (HS5002.00) and Chinese silk thread (HS5006.00). While raw silk undergoes a change in tariff classification at the level of heading, since the silk thread does not undergo change in tariff classification, silk yarn does not satisfy the CTC-based rule at the 4-digits level. Nevertheless, if the weight of the silk thread does not exceed 10% of that of the silk yarn, the silk yarn is considered as an originating good of Party A in accordance with subparagraph 1 (c) of Article 28.

#### **4. Unassembled or Disassembled Goods (Rule 2 (a) of General Rules for the interpretation of the HS<sup>1</sup>)**

Company A produces a gas turbine (HS8411.82), which qualifies as an originating good of Party A, and plans to export it to Party B under the Agreement. Since the gas turbine is an extremely large machine, Company A exports it in a disassembled form (a group of lots) for the reason of transportation. In this case, the Customs Authority of Party B classifies the group of lots as a disassembled good (“the article complete, presented disassembled”)- i.e., a disassembled gas turbine by virtue of Rule 2(a) of the General Rules for the Interpretation of the Harmonized System. The disassembled gas turbine does not lose the originating status and remains classified as a gas turbine (HS8411.82).

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<sup>1</sup> Rule 2(a) of General Rule for the Interpretation of the HS

2.(a) Any reference in a heading to an article shall be taken to include a reference to that article incomplete or unfinished, provided that, as presented, the incomplete or unfinished article has the essential character of the complete or finished article. It shall also be taken to include a reference to that article complete or finished (or falling to be classified as complete or finished by virtue of this Rule), presented unassembled or disassembled.