

(1) The term “distortion” includes, but is not limited to, a subsidy.

(2) The term “foreign country” includes any foreign instrumentality. Any territory or possession of a foreign country that is administered separately for customs purposes, shall be treated as a separate foreign country.

(3) The term “GATT” means the GATT 1947 (as defined in section 3501(1)(A) of this title).

(4) The term “implementing bill” has the meaning given such term in section 2191(b)(1) of this title.

(5) The term “international trade” includes, but is not limited to—

(A) trade in both goods and services, and

(B) foreign direct investment by United States persons, especially if such investment has implications for trade in goods and services.

(6) The term “state trading enterprise” means—

(A) any agency, instrumentality, or administrative unit of a foreign country which—

(i) purchases goods or services in international trade for any purpose other than the use of such goods or services by such agency, instrumentality, administrative unit, or foreign country, or

(ii) sells goods or services in international trade; or

(B) any business firm which—

(i) is substantially owned or controlled by a foreign country or any agency, instrumentality, or administrative unit thereof,

(ii) is granted (formally or informally) any special or exclusive privilege by such foreign country, agency, instrumentality, or administrative unit, and

(iii) purchases goods or services in international trade for any purpose other than the use of such goods or services by such foreign country, agency, instrumentality, or administrative unit, or which sells goods or services in international trade.

(Pub. L. 100-418, title I, §1107, Aug. 23, 1988, 102 Stat. 1134; Pub. L. 103-465, title VI, §621(a)(5), Dec. 8, 1994, 108 Stat. 4993.)

Editorial Notes

REFERENCES IN TEXT

This chapter, referred to in text, was in the original “this part”, meaning part 1 (§§1101 to 1107) of subtitle A of title I of Pub. L. 100-418, which enacted this chapter and amended sections 2131, 2133, and 2191 of this title. For complete classification of part 1 to the Code, see Tables.

CODIFICATION

Section is comprised of subsec. (a) of section 1107 of Pub. L. 100-418. Subsec. (b) of section 1107 of Pub. L. 100-418 amended sections 2131 and 2191 of this title.

AMENDMENTS

1994—Par. (3). Pub. L. 103-465 substituted “the GATT 1947 (as defined in section 3501(1)(A) of this title)” for “the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade”.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1994 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 103-465 effective on the date on which the WTO Agreement enters into force with re-

spect to the United States (Jan. 1, 1995), see section 621(b) of Pub. L. 103-465, set out as a note under section 1677k of this title.

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§ 3001. Purposes

The purposes of this chapter are—

(1) to approve the International Convention on the Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System;

(2) to implement in United States law the nomenclature established internationally by the Convention; and

(3) to provide that the Convention shall be treated as a trade agreement obligation of the United States.

(Pub. L. 100-418, title I, §1201, Aug. 23, 1988, 102 Stat. 1147.)

Editorial Notes

REFERENCES IN TEXT

This chapter, referred to in text, was in the original “this subtitle”, meaning subtitle B (§§1201 to 1217) of title I of Pub. L. 100-418, which enacted this chapter, amended sections 58c, 1312, 1315, 1321, 1337, 1466, 1498, 2011, 2138, 2253, 2434, 2437, 2481, 2483, 2581, 2702, and 2703 of this title, sections 511r, 1444, 1783, and 1784 of Title 7, Agriculture, section 374 of Title 10, Armed Forces, section 301 of Title 13, Census, sections 1274, 2064, 2066, 2602, and 2612 of Title 15, Commerce and Trade, sections 1606a and 3912 of Title 16, Conservation, sections 41 and 951 of Title 21, Food and Drugs, section 5059 of Title 22, Foreign Relations and Intercourse, sections 7652 and 9504 of Title 26, Internal Revenue Code, section 1295 of Title 28, Judiciary and Judicial Procedure, and section 98h-4 of Title 50, War and National Defense, and enacted provisions set out as notes under sections 1202, 3001, and 3005 of this title, and amended provisions set out as notes preceding section 1202 and under section 2112 of this title. For complete classification of subtitle B to the Code, see Tables.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

EFFECTIVE DATE

Pub. L. 100-418, title I, §1217, Aug. 23, 1988, 102 Stat. 1163, provided that:

“(a) ACCESSION TO CONVENTION AND PROVISIONS OTHER THAN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE HARMONIZED TARIFF SCHEDULE.—Except as provided in subsection (b), the provisions of this subtitle [subtitle B (§§1201-1217) of title I of Pub. L. 100-418, see References in Text note above] take effect on the date of the enactment of the Omnibus Trade and Competitiveness Act of 1988 [Aug. 23, 1988].