

Pan-Euro-Med cumulation – Expiry of derogation from rules of origin for certain garments exported from Tunisia

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Who should read:	All involved with importing/exporting using the Tariff Preference regime
What is it about:	Further information about the provisions of Pan-Euro-Med cumulation as they relate to Tunisia.
When effective:	Immediately

Background

JCCC Paper (06) 25 provided confirmation relating to the expiry of a specific derogation that allowed the manufacture of a range of garments in Tunisia for export to the EC under preference, which were made from Turkish originating fabric.

This expiry meant that HMRC were no longer able – from July 14 2006 – to accept any claims to preference under the terms of this derogation.

It therefore meant that it was no longer possible to use Turkish fabric to manufacture garments for export to the EC under preference from Tunisia under any circumstance.

This situation would remain until such time as the EC and Tunisia were in a position to implement the appropriate Pan Euro Med Trade agreement(s) with each other.

New information

It has been confirmed by Official Journal C220/5 dated 13 September 2006 that the relevant agreement between the EC and Tunisia came into effect on 1 August 2006.

Further information

The updated version of the Matrix that shows which countries have signed with which other countries has now been updated and can be accessed on the HMRC Internet site – via the following crumb trail:

www.hmrc.gov.uk > businesses and corporations > Imports and Exports > Information and Guides > The Tariff > Tariff Preferences - Pan Euro-Med cumulation provisions → view

In the meantime, if you require any further information, please contact the Import/Export Team, Frontiers, 6 Floor North, Portcullis House, 2 Victoria Avenue, Southend-on-Sea, Essex SS2 6AL (Telephone 01702 361959) email: nicholas.clappen@hmrc.gsi.gov.uk

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