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THE EXTERNAL TRADE (IMPORT PROHIBITION) ORDER made by the Minister under section 3 (1) (b) of the External Trade Act, Cap. 163.

1. Short title

This Order may be cited as the External Trade (Import Prohibition) Order, 2016.

2. Prohibition of the import of certain goods

The import into Antigua and Barbuda of the goods described in Schedule I is prohibited absolutely after the 30th June, 2016.

3. Exemptions

The following types of plastic bags described in Schedule II are exempt from the prohibition.

SCHEDULE I

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Sacks and Bags of Polymer of Ethylene
Sacks and Bags of other Plastic

TARIFF HEADING

3923.21.00.10
3923.29.00.10

SCHEDULE II

(1) The following types of plastic bags, provided other than at the point of sale and not for the purposes of transporting groceries or other goods, shall not be subject to the prohibition—

- (a) plastic bread wrapping;
- (b) plastic bags, plastic wrap and plastic sheets used solely to contain or wrap—
 - (i) fresh meat and fresh meat products
 - (ii) fresh fish and fresh fish products; and

- (iii) fresh poultry and fresh poultry products, whether repackaged or not;
- (c) plastic bags used as primary packaging solely used to package –
 - (i) fruits or nuts;
 - (ii) confectionary products;
 - (iii) dairy products;
 - (iv) cooked food whether hot or cold;
 - (v) liquid or frozen products;
 - (vi) seeds;
 - (vii) small hardware items;
 - (viii) medicinal products; and
 - (ix) veterinary products;
- (d) polythene tubes for seedlings;
- (e) laundry dry cleaning bags;
- (f) plastic bags use in waste storage and disposal such as bin liners and refuse; and
- (g) any other plastic bags that the Minister may designate as exempt from the ban.

(2) The plastic bags should not be greater in dimension than 225mm in width (exclusive of any gussets), by 345mm in depth (inclusive of any gussets), by 450mm in length, (inclusive of any handles).

(3) Plastic bags solely used to contain the products referred to in subsection (1) where such products are contained in packaging, (including a bag), provided that such plastic bags are not greater in dimension than the dimensions referred to in subsection (2).

Made the 9th day of May, 2016.

Hon. E. Paul Chet Greene,
*Minister responsible for Trade,
Commerce & Industry, Sports,
Culture and Nation.*