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Regulatory Alert: USTR Extends Certain Section 301 China Tariff Exclusions

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What has Changed?

The Office of the U.S. Trade Representative (USTR) <u>announced</u> on May 31, 2025 a three-month extension of certain product exclusions in the China Section 301 Investigation that had been scheduled to expire by May 31st and June 1st.

The products are covered by heading **9903.88.69** and **9903.88.70** and U.S. notes 20(ttt)(i), 20(ttt)(ii), 20(ttt)(iii), 20(ttt)(iv), and 20(www) to subchapter III of Chapter 99 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the U.S. (HTSUS).

- 9903.88.69 The extension is effective with respect to goods entered for consumption, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after 12:01 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time on June 1, 2025, and before 11:59 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time on August 31, 2025.
- **9903.88.70** The extension is effective with respect to goods entered for consumption, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after 12:01 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time on June 1, 2025, and before 11:59 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time on September 1, 2025.

Additional Information

The USTR announced that it made the decision to extend these exclusions for two primary reasons:

- 1. Continued consideration of the comments received from the trade in response to the December 29 notice.
- 2. Comments received in connection with the 4-year review.

Q 1 – Can the exclusions for these products be further extended beyond August 31, 2025, and September 1, 2025?

A 1 – The USTR may consider further extensions as well as additional modifications as appropriate, but such actions are not known at this time.

Q 2 – Is there a specific list with the Harmonized Tariff Schedules of the United States codes eligible for exclusion under 9903.88.69 and 9903.88.70?

A 2 – Yes, a complete listing of the HTSUS codes for products eligible for in Annex B of <u>89 FR 76581</u> and Annex C of <u>89 FR 46948</u>.

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USTR Extends Certain Exclusions from China Section 301 Tariffs

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