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**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CERTIFICATE OF ORIGIN OF
THE GENERALIZED SYSTEM OF PREFERENCES, FORM A**

Note by the UNCTAD secretariat[*]

Introduction

1.   In view of the customs union entered into by the Principality of Liechtenstein and Switzerland pursuant to the Treaty of 29 March 1923, the Government of Switzerland has requested that the notes on the certificate of origin of the Generalized System of Preferences, Form A, be amended as indicated below.

**I. PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO INCLUDE THE PRINCIPALITY OF
LIECHTENSTEIN**

2.   The proposed amendments to GSP Form A are as follows.

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[*] This document was submitted on the above-mentioned date as a result of processing delays.

A. Addition of the Principality of Liechtenstein in part I

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NOTES (2007)

I. Countries which accept Form A for the purposes of the Generalized System of Preferences (GSP):

Australia*	European Union:		
Belarus	Austria	Finland	Netherlands
Canada	Belgium	France	Poland
Japan	Bulgaria	Hungary	Portugal
New Zealand**	Cyprus	Ireland	Romania
Norway	Czech Republic	Italy	Slovakia
Russian Federation	Denmark	Latvia	Slovenia
Switzerland including Liechtenstein***	Estonia	Lithuania	Spain
Turkey	Germany	Luxembourg	Sweden
United States of America****	Greece	Malta	United Kingdom

*   For Australia, the main requirement is the exporter's declaration on the normal commercial invoice. Form A, accompanied by the normal commercial invoice, is an acceptable alternative, but official certification is not required.
**   Official certification is not required.
***   The Principality of Liechtenstein forms, pursuant to the Treaty of 29 March 1923, a customs union with Switzerland.
****   The United States does not require GSP Form A. A declaration setting forth all pertinent detailed information concerning the production or manufacture of the merchandise is considered sufficient only if requested by the district collector of Customs.

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NOTES (2007)

I. Pays acceptant la formule A aux fins du système des préférences généralisées (SPG):

Australie*	Union européenne:		
Bélarus	Allemagne	France	Pays-Bas
Canada	Autriche	Grèce	Pologne
Etats-Unis d'Amérique***	Belgique	Hongrie	Portugal
Fédération de Russie	Bulgarie	Irlande	République tchèque
Japon	Chypre	Italie	Roumanie
Norvège	Danemark	Lettonie	Royaume-Uni
Nouvelle-Zélande**	Espagne	Lituanie	Slovaquie
Suisse y compris Liechtenstein****	Estonie	Luxembourg	Slovénie
Turquie	Finlande	Malte	Suède

*   Pour l'Australie, l'exigence de base est une attestation de l'exportateur sur la facture habituelle. La formule A, accompagnée de la facture habituelle, peut être acceptée en remplacement, mais une certification officielle n'est pas exigée.
**   Un visa official n'est pas exigé.
***   Les Etats-Unis n'exigent pas de certificat SGP Formule A. Une déclaration reprenant toute information appropriée et détaillée concernant la production ou la fabrication de la marchandise est considérée comme suffisante, et doit être présentée uniquement à la demande du receveur des douanes du district (district collector of Customs).
****   D'après l'Accord du 29 mars 1993, la Principauté du Liechtenstein forme une union douanière avec la Suisse.

B. Amendment to Note III, paragraph (b) (3)

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"3.   The European Union, Japan, Norway and Switzerland including Liechtenstein…".

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"3.   Japon, Norvège, Suisse y compris la Principauté du Liechtenstein, Turquie et l'Union européenne: …".

II. TRANSITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS

3.   As agreed at the forty-first session of the Trade and Development Board, held from 18 to 20 April 2007, the old Form A with notes dated 1996, 2004 and 2005 will remain valid until existing stocks are exhausted.

4.   In addition, it is proposed that the Form A with notes dated 2007 concerning European Union enlargement, which was adopted at the same session of the Trade and Development Board, should also remain valid until existing stocks are exhausted.

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