

**[ EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 419, April 04, 2005 ]**

**TEMPORARILY INCREASING THE RATES OF IMPORT DUTY OF  
HIGH ENGINE DISPLACEMENT COMPLETELY BUILT UP VEHICLES  
UNDER SECTION 104 OF THE TARIFF AND CUSTOMS CODE OF  
1978 (PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 1464), AS AMENDED**

WHEREAS, it is a declared policy of the government to promote the judicious conservation and efficient utilization of energy resources thereby adopting the most cost-effective options toward the wiser and efficient use of energy;

WHEREAS, the transport sector is one of the highest energy-consuming sector next to the industrial manufacturing sector;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 8749 otherwise known as the Philippine Clean Air Act of 1999 was promulgated to promote and protect the environment including its air sheds against pollution from mobile sources, among others;

WHEREAS, Section 401 of the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978, as amended, empowers the President of the Republic of the Philippines, to increase, reduce or remove existing rates of import duty, as well as, to modify the tariff nomenclature.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

*SECTION 1.* The articles specifically listed in Annex "A"\* hereof, as classified under Section 104 of the Tariff and Customs Code of 1978, as amended, shall be imposed the Most Favored Nation (MFN) rates of import duty in accordance with the schedule indicated opposite each article

*SEC. 2.* Upon the effectivity of this Executive Order, the articles specifically listed in the aforesaid Annex "A" which are entered and withdrawn from warehouses in the Philippines for consumption, shall be levied the MFN rates of duty herein prescribed.

*SEC. 3.* Registered participants under Executive Order No. 244 as amended by Executive Order No. 312, otherwise known as the "Automotive Export Program," are exempted from this Executive Order.

*SEC. 4.* All Presidential issuances, administrative rules and regulations, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby revoked or modified accordingly.

*SEC. 5.* This Executive Order shall be effective for a period of one (1) year subject to review.

*SEC. 6.* This Executive Order shall take effect thirty (30) days following its complete publication in two (2) newspapers of general circulation in the Philippines.