

The maximum rate of basic pay for SL and ST positions remains unchanged because it is linked to level IV of the Executive Schedule (\$115,700), which remains unchanged. Rates of basic pay for administrative law judges and Contract Appeals Board members remain unchanged in 1996 because these rates are calculated as a percentage of the rate for level IV of the Executive Schedule, which remains unchanged.

OPM has published "Salary Table No. 96" (OPM Doc. 124-48-6, January 1996), which provides complete salary tables incorporating the 1996 pay adjustments, information on general pay administration matters, locality pay area definitions, Internal Revenue Service withholding tables, and other related information. The rates of pay shown in "Salary Table No. 96" are the official rates of pay for affected employees and are hereby incorporated as part of this notice. Copies of "Salary Table No. 96" can be purchased from the Government Printing Office by calling (202) 512-1800. In addition, individual pay schedules can be downloaded directly from OPM's electronic bulletin boards. For instructions, please contact Denise Jenkins by calling (202) 606-2900.

U.S. Office of Personnel Management.

James B. King,

Director.

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OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

Retroactive Suspension of Certain Generalized System of Preference Benefits for Pakistan

AGENCY: Office of the United States Trade Representative.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: On November 6, 1995, the Office of the United States Trade Representative published a notice in the Federal Register providing an opportunity for the public to comment on a proposal to suspend certain Generalized System of Preferences (GSP) benefits for Pakistan. A press release was issued on March 7, 1996, announcing the U.S. Trade Representative's decision to recommend to the President the partial GSP suspension of Pakistan.

In order to put this recommendation into effect a Presidential Proclamation is necessary. This cannot be done until and unless the GSP program is reauthorized. In the past the GSP has

been reauthorized on a retroactive basis if there has been a period of suspension, and duties on properly entered goods have been refunded by the U.S. Customs Service. However, the public is hereby notified that, should the GSP program be reauthorized, a Presidential Proclamation suspending certain Pakistani GSP benefits will be made retroactive to the effective date of this notice. Duties on the below listed Pakistani products will not be refunded if the products are entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the effective date of this notice.

The Pakistani products involved are:

HTSUS	Item (Terms below are for descriptive purposes only.)
9018.90.80	Surgical instruments.
4203.21.80	Gloves, mittens, etc., of leather, design for sports.
9506.62.80	Inflatable balls, excluding footballs or soccer balls.
4203.21.60	Ski or snowmobile gloves, mittens, etc.
9506.91.00	Articles or equipment for exercise.
4203.21.20	Batting gloves.
3926.20.30	Gloves designed for use in sports, of plastics.
4203.21.55	Cross-country ski gloves, mittens, etc.
5701.10.13	Carpets.
5702.10.10	Carpets.
5702.91.20	Carpets.
5805.00.20	Carpets.
6304.99.10	Carpets.
6304.99.40	Carpets.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Office of the U.S. Trade Representative, 600 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20508.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Jon Rosenbaum, Assistant USTR for Trade and Development, Office of the U.S. Trade Representative, 600 17th Street, NW., Washington, (202) 395-6971.

Jennifer A. Hillman,

General Counsel.

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[Docket No. 301-106]

Initiation of Section 302 Investigation and Request for Public Comment: Practices of the Government of Turkey Regarding the Imposition of a Discriminatory Tax on Box Office Revenues

AGENCY: Office of the United States Trade Representative.

ACTION: Notice of initiation of investigation; request for written comments.

SUMMARY: The United States Trade Representative (USTR) has initiated an investigation under section 302(b)(1) of the Trade Act of 1974, as amended (the Trade Act) (19 U.S.C. 2412(b)(1)), with respect to certain acts, policies and practices of the Government of Turkey that may result in the discriminatory treatment of U.S. films in Turkey. The United States alleges that these acts, policies and practices are inconsistent with the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994 (GATT 1994), administered by the World Trade Organization (WTO). USTR invites written comments from the public on the matters being investigated.

DATES: This investigation was initiated on June 12, 1996. Written comments from the public are due on or before noon on Monday, July 22, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Office of the United States Trade Representative, 600 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20508.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joseph Papovich, Deputy Assistant USTR for Intellectual Property, (202) 395-6864, or Thomas Robertson, Associate General Counsel, (202) 395-6800.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 302(b)(1) of the Trade Act authorizes the USTR to initiate an investigation under chapter 1 of Title III of the Trade Act (commonly referred to as "section 301") with respect to any matter in order to determine whether the matter is actionable under section 301. Matters actionable under section 301 include, inter alia, the denial of rights of the United States under a trade agreement, or acts, policies, and practices of a foreign country that violate or are inconsistent with the provisions of, or otherwise deny benefits to the United States under, any trade agreement.

On June 12, 1996, having consulted with the appropriate private sector advisory committees, the USTR determined that an investigation should be initiated to determine whether certain laws and regulations of Turkey affecting the taxation of box office revenues generated from the showing of foreign-origin films are actionable under section 301(a). Turkey's Law on Municipal Revenues (Law No. 2464) imposes a 25% municipality tax on box office revenues generated from the showing of foreign films, but not the revenue generated from the showing of domestic films. Current information is that the revenues are allocated to municipal coffers for general use.

Article III of the GATT 1994 provides, among other things, that the products of the territory of one WTO member imported into the territory of another WTO member shall not be subject to internal taxes or other charges of any kind in excess of those applied, directly or indirectly, to like domestic products. WTO members are also prohibited from applying internal taxes or internal charges to imported or domestic products so as to afford protection to domestic production. Turkey's imposition of a tax on box office revenues that is applied only to revenues generated by foreign films, and not to revenues generated by domestic films, would appear to be inconsistent with the obligations set forth in Article III of the GATT 1994.

Investigation and Consultations

As required in section 303(a) of the Trade Act, the USTR has requested consultations with the Government of Turkey regarding the issues under investigation. The request was made pursuant to Article 4 of the WTO Understanding on Rules and Procedures Governing the Settlement of Disputes (DSU) and Article XXII of the GATT 1994. If the consultations do not result in a satisfactory resolution of the matter, the USTR will request the establishment of a panel pursuant to Article 6 of the DSU.

Under section 304 of the Trade Act, the USTR must determine within 18 months after the date on which this investigation was initiated, or within 30 days after the conclusion of WTO dispute settlement procedures, whichever is earlier, whether any act, policy, or practice or denial of trade agreement rights described in section 301 of the Trade Act exists and, if that determination is affirmative, the USTR must determine what action, if any, to take under section 301 of the Trade Act.

Public Comment: Requirements for Submissions

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments concerning the acts, policies and practices of Turkey which are the subject of this investigation, the amount of burden or restriction on U.S. commerce caused by these acts, policies and practices, and the determinations required under section 304 of the Trade Act. Comments must be filed in accordance with the requirements set forth in 15 CFR 2006.8(b) (55 FR 20593) and must be filed on or before noon on Monday, July 22, 1996. Comments must be in English and provided in twenty copies to: Sybia Harrison, Staff Assistant to the Section 301 Committee, Room 223, Office of the

U.S. Trade Representative, 600 17th Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20508.

Comment will be placed in a file (Docket 301-106) open to public inspection pursuant to 15 CFR 2006.13, except confidential business information exempt from public inspection in accordance with 15 CFR 2006.15. Confidential business information submitted in accordance with 15 CFR 2006.15 must be clearly marked "BUSINESS CONFIDENTIAL" in a contrasting color ink at the top of each page on each of 20 copies, and must be accompanied by a nonconfidential summary of the confidential information. The nonconfidential summary shall be placed in the file that is open to public inspection. An appointment to review the docket (Docket No. 301-106) may be made by calling Brenda Webb (202) 395-6186. The USTR Reading Room is open to the public from 10:00 a.m. to 12 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, and is located in Room 101.

Irving A. Williamson,

Chairman, Section 301 Committee.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Rel. No. IC-22012; File No. 812-9954-01]

ITT Hartford Life and Annuity Insurance Company, et al.

June 11, 1996.

AGENCY: Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC" or "Commission").

ACTION: Notice of Application for an Order under the Investment Company Act of 1940 ("1940 Act").

APPLICANTS: ITT Hartford Life and Annuity Insurance Company ("ILA"), ICMG Registered Variable Life Separate Account One ("Separate Account"), and Hartford Equity Sales Company ("HESCO").

RELEVANT 1940 ACT SECTIONS: Order requested under Section 6(c) of the 1940 Act granting exemptions from Section 27(c)(2) of the 1940 Act and Rule 6e-3(T)(c)(4)(v) thereunder.

SUMMARY OF APPLICATION: Applicants request an order permitting the Separate Account and other separate accounts established in the future by ILA to support certain group flexible premium variable life insurance policies to deduct from premium payments an amount that is reasonably related to the increased federal tax burden of ILA resulting from the application of Section

848 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

FILING DATE: The application was filed on October 30, 1995. An amended application was filed on May 29, 1996.

HEARING OR NOTIFICATION OF HEARING: An order granting the application will be issued unless the Commission orders a hearing. Interested persons may request a hearing on this application by writing to the Secretary of the Commission and serving Applicants with a copy of the request, personally or by mail. Hearing requests must be received by the commission by 5:30 p.m. on July 8, 1996, and should be accompanied by proof of service on Applicants in the form of an affidavit or, for lawyers, by certificate. Hearing requests should state the nature of the interest, the reason for the request, and the issues contested. Persons may request notification of a hearing by writing to the Secretary of the Commission.

ADDRESSES: Secretary, SEC, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20549. Applicants, c/o Scott K. Richardson, Esq., Assistant Counsel, ITT Hartford Life Insurance Companies, P.O. Box 2999, Hartford, CT 06104-2999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Patrice M. Pitts, Special Counsel, Office of Insurance Products (Division of Investment Management) at (202) 942-0670.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Following is a summary of the application. The complete application is available for a fee from the Public Reference Branch of the Commission.

Applicants' Representations

1. ILA is a stock life insurance company engaged in the business of writing both individual and group life insurance and annuity policies in the District of Columbia and in all states except New York. ILA was redomesticated from Wisconsin to Connecticut on May 1, 1996. ILA is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Hartford Life Insurance Company.

2. The Separate Account was established by ILA under the laws of the state of Connecticut, and is registered as a unit investment trust under the 1940 Act. The assets of the Separate Account are not chargeable with liabilities arising out of any other business which ILA may conduct. Income and realized and unrealized capital gains and losses of the Separate Account will be credited to the Separate Account without regard to any of ILA's other income or realized and unrealized capital gains and losses, or the income, gains and losses of other ILA separate investment accounts.