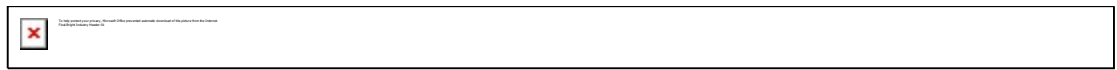


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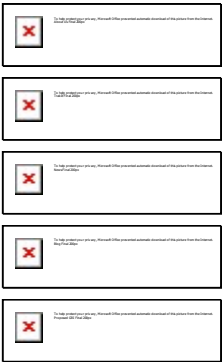
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TARIFF UPDATE: Some Deals Ready, but Trump May Reject Them

U.S. Trade Representative Jamieson Greer is holding firm: reciprocal tariffs on 70+ countries will go into effect August 7, and while some deals are ready, they may never see daylight. In back-to-back interviews on August 1, Greer stated the administration is focused on implementing completed agreements and not chasing new ones. Even Switzerland, whose pharmaceutical exports triggered a steep 39% tariff, was unable to satisfy U.S. deficit-reduction demands. “Maybe a tariff is better than a deal,” Greer said bluntly, reinforcing the administration's pivot from free trade toward economic nationalism.

Greer doubled down on CBS’s Face the Nation two days later, saying the White House isn’t catering to corporations, and instead that it’s targeting reshoring and American jobs. Although White House adviser Kevin Hassett offered more optimism, claiming the U.S. has “closed deals with about half of world GDP,” he later contradicted himself, conceding that talks will continue past August 7. Meanwhile, Greer warned that U.S. trade talks with China will remain tough but necessary, describing a combined tariff rate of 55% on Chinese imports as “a good deal.” Tariff rates are now set to rise to their highest levels since 1934, with Yale Budget Lab estimating an average U.S. rate of 18.3% if the latest rounds are implemented.



TARIFF UPDATE: India Tariff to Go 'Substantially' Higher Over Russian Oil Purchases

President Trump announced via social media on August 4 that tariffs on Indian products will be “substantially” raised, citing India's continued purchase and resale of discounted Russian oil. The post, heavy with accusations of profiteering at Ukraine's expense, marked a hardline shift in the administration's tone toward India, who is one of the U.S.'s largest trade partners and previously a strategic ally in the Indo-Pacific. Trump's remarks were reinforced by White House Deputy Chief of Staff Stephen Miller, who criticized India's trade practices and oil consumption patterns, calling them incompatible with the role of a trusted U.S. ally.

India responded swiftly and sharply, calling the accusation hypocritical. The Indian External Affairs Ministry defended the Russian oil imports as a necessity driven by Europe's redirection of global supply and emphasized that the U.S. itself continues importing Russian commodities, including materials critical to its nuclear and EV sectors. India framed the tariff threats as unjust and warned it would take “all necessary measures” to safeguard its economic interests that signals potential blowback in what has been considered a friendly trade lane. LOGISTEED America is monitoring this situation closely and will advise as soon as there is more official information.

TECHNICAL UPDATE: CBP Guidance Provides HTS Code for Brazilian Imports Subject to 40% Duty

U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) has issued formal guidance detailing how to apply the new 40% tariff on most Brazilian imports, effective August 6. This additional duty stacks on top of the existing 10% reciprocal tariff and is intended to target Brazilian goods not already covered under Section 232 restrictions. Importers are instructed to use HTS code 9903.01.77 for most non-exempt Brazilian products, while a range of exceptions, including goods in transit before the enforcement window, civil aircraft, and certain industrial inputs, have been assigned separate codes ranging from 9903.01.78 to 9903.01.83.

CBP confirmed that goods en route prior to 12:01 a.m. EDT on August 6 and arriving before October 5 will not be subject to the increased duty, preserving some flexibility for shipments already in motion. Exemptions also include humanitarian donations, informational materials, and industrial items explicitly listed in the executive order's annex. Importers and customs

brokers are being advised to prepare now, as misclassification could result in costly delays or penalties during enforcement of these historic tariff increases.

CBP UPDATE: CBP Releases Guidance on 40% Tariff for Brazilian Imports

U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) has issued official guidance for applying a new 40% duty on a wide range of Brazilian imports, effective August 6. These duties apply in addition to the existing 10% reciprocal tariff and will impact most shipments unless clearly exempt.

CBP has outlined specific Harmonized Tariff Schedule (HTS) codes and exemptions, including for goods in transit before August 6 (arriving by October 5), certain civil aircraft, industrial materials, and humanitarian items. LOGISTEED America's customs experts are already evaluating entries. [If you have questions, please contact your representative.](#)

OPERATIONAL UPDATE: CBP Issues Harmonized System Update 2529 with Duty and HTS Adjustments

On August 1, U.S. Customs and Border Protection released Harmonized System Update (HSU) 2529, incorporating 59 Automated Broker Interface (ABI) records and 16 updates to the Harmonized Tariff Schedule. The update includes revised Section 232 duties on copper, additional duties on Canadian imports, and several tariff adjustments following the 2025 HTS verification process. These updates are part of CBP's broader effort to align U.S. duty structures with evolving trade enforcement priorities.

Remember, supply chain disruption is the rule, not the exception. If you're not already using Tools like [TrakIt](#) to manage supply chain visibility, this can be a crucial part of navigating disruption. Should you have questions regarding your shipments, do not hesitate to contact our Customer Service team. We are here to provide solutions based on your needs.

With regards,

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