1. Effective with respect to goods entered for consumption, or withdrawn from warehouse for consumption, on or after 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time on September 1, 2019, subchapter III of chapter 99 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) is modified:
2. by inserting the following new heading 9903.88.42 in numerical sequence, with the material in the new heading inserted in the columns of the HTSUS labeled “Heading/Subheading”, “Article Description”, and “Rates of Duty 1-General”, respectively:

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| **Heading/**  **Subheading** | **Article Description** | **Rates of Duty** | | |
| **1** | | **2** |
| **General** | **Special** |
| “9903.88.42 | Articles the product of China, as provided for in U.S. note 20(uu) to this subchapter, each covered by an exclusion granted by the U.S. Trade Representative . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | The duty provided in the applicable subheading” |  |  |

1. by inserting the following new U.S. note 20(uu) to subchapter III of chapter 99 in numerical sequence:

“(uu) The U.S. Trade Representative determined to establish a process by which particular products classified in heading 9903.88.15 and provided for in U.S. notes 20(r) and (s) to this subchapter could be excluded from the additional duties imposed by heading 9903.88.15. See 84 Fed. Reg. 43304 (August 20, 2019), 84 Fed. Reg. 45821 (August 30, 2019), 84 Fed. Reg. 57144 (October 24, 2019) and 85 Fed. Reg. 3741 (January 22, 2020). Pursuant to the product exclusion process, the U.S. Trade Representative has determined that the additional duties provided for in heading 9903.88.15 shall not apply to the following particular products, which are provided for in the following enumerated statistical reporting numbers:

1. Bowls of molded plastics, with clips for retaining guide wires during surgical procedures (described in statistical reporting number 3926.90.9990)
2. Disposable graduated medicine dispensing cups of plastics (described in statistical reporting number 3926.90.9990)
3. Pads of foam plastics, with hook and loop fastener straps, integrated arm protectors, and accessory headrest, body straps, lift sheets, hand grips and face masks, of a kind used for positioning patients during medical procedures (described in statistical reporting number 3926.90.9990)
4. Single-use sterile drapes and covers of plastics, of a kind used to protect the sterile field in surgical operating rooms (described in statistical reporting number 3926.90.9990)
5. Sterile decanters of polystyrene plastics, each of a kind used to transfer aseptic fluids or medication to and from sterile bags, vials or glass containers (described in statistical reporting number 3926.90.9990)
6. Cold packs consisting of a single-use, instant, endothermic chemical reaction cold pack combined with a textile exterior lining (described in statistical reporting number 6307.90.9889)
7. Disposable shoe and boot covers of man-made fiber fabrics (described in statistical reporting number 6307.90.9889)
8. Eye compresses, each consisting of a fabric cover filled with silica or gel beads, with or without a hook-and-loop fastener strap (described in statistical reporting number 6307.90.9889)
9. Face masks, single-use, of textile fabrics (described in statistical reporting number 6307.90.9889)
10. Gel pads of textile materials, each with removable fabric sleeves, in the shape of hearts, circles or quadrants (described in statistical reporting number 6307.90.9889)
11. Hot packs of textile material, single-use (exothermic chemical reaction) (described in statistical reporting number 6307.90.9889)
12. Laparotomy sponges of cotton (described in statistical reporting number 6307.90.9889)
13. Patient restraint or safety straps of textile materials, with hook-and-loop or ladder lock fasteners (described in statistical reporting number 6307.90.9889)
14. Single-use blood pressure cuff sleeves of textile materials (described in statistical reporting number 6307.90.9889)
15. Single-use medical masks of textile material (described in statistical reporting number 6307.90.9889)
16. Single-use stethoscope covers (described in statistical reporting number 6307.90.9889)
17. Woven gauze sponges of cotton in square or rectangular sizes (described in statistical reporting number 6307.90.9889)
18. Electromechanical shoe cover dispenser, of steel (described in statistical reporting number 8479.89.6500)
19. Protective articles (described in statistical reporting number 9004.90.0000)”
20. by amending the last sentence of the first paragraph of U.S. note 20(r) to insert “, except as provided in heading 9903.88.42 and U.S. note 20(uu) to subchapter III of chapter 99” after “heading 9903.88.15”.
21. by amending the article description of heading 9903.88.15 by deleting the word “Articles” and inserting “Except as provided in heading 9903.88.42, articles” in lieu thereof.