

**Voluntary Report** – Voluntary - Public Distribution

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## **Report Name:** MFN Tariff Schedule Opens for Public Comment

**Country:** Philippines

**Post:** Manila

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### **Report Highlights:**

On February 22, 2023, the Philippine Tariff Commission announced that it will commence a Comprehensive Review of the Most Favored Nation (MFN) Tariff Schedule, covering all products/tariff lines falling under Chapters 1 to 97 of Section 1611 of the CMTA, to set the MFN Tariff Schedule for 2024 to 2028. All interested parties, including foreign stakeholders, are requested to submit their inputs and/or positions on the Comprehensive Review to the Commission on or before March 17, 2023. For the public hearings/consultations, all interested parties are required to register their participation on or before March 17, 2023.

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The Commission will conduct public hearings/consultations, via videoconferencing through the Microsoft Teams platform, on all products/tariff lines in Section 1611 of the CMTA. The schedule of the public hearings/consultations via videoconferencing is as follows:

<b>Date/Time</b>	<b>HS Chapters</b>	<b>Sector/Product Group</b>
20 March 2023 / 10:00 am	1-24	Agriculture and Food Products
22 March 2023 / 10:00 am	25-40	Chemicals and Chemical Products
24 March 2023 / 10:00 am	41-63	Textile, Paper and Leather Products
27 March 2023 / 10:00 am	64-83	Metals and Non-Metals Products
29 March 2023 / 10:00 am	84-97	Machineries and Transport Equipment

*\* The PHV schedule is indicative: it may change in case of the occurrence of circumstances beyond the Commission's control, such as persistent technical difficulties or other supervening events, that will render the conduct/continuation thereof no longer feasible.*

All interested parties (both domestic and foreign stakeholders) are requested to submit their inputs and/or positions on the Comprehensive Review to the Commission **on or before 17 March 2023** (end of business hours) using the position paper template provided on the Commission's website <http://tariffcommission.gov.ph>. Online submissions are encouraged.

For the public hearings/consultations, all interested parties are required to register their participation **on or before 17 March 2023** (end of business hours) using the registration link posted on the Commission's [website](#) or by scanning the QR Code provided.

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For ease of reference, a courtesy compilation of the Philippines' applied tariffs for Chapters 1-24, as notified to the WTO, is attached. However, stakeholders should verify individual tariffs at <https://finder.tariffcommission.gov.ph/>.

#### **Attachments:**

[2022 Ch 1-24 TL comp.pdf](#)