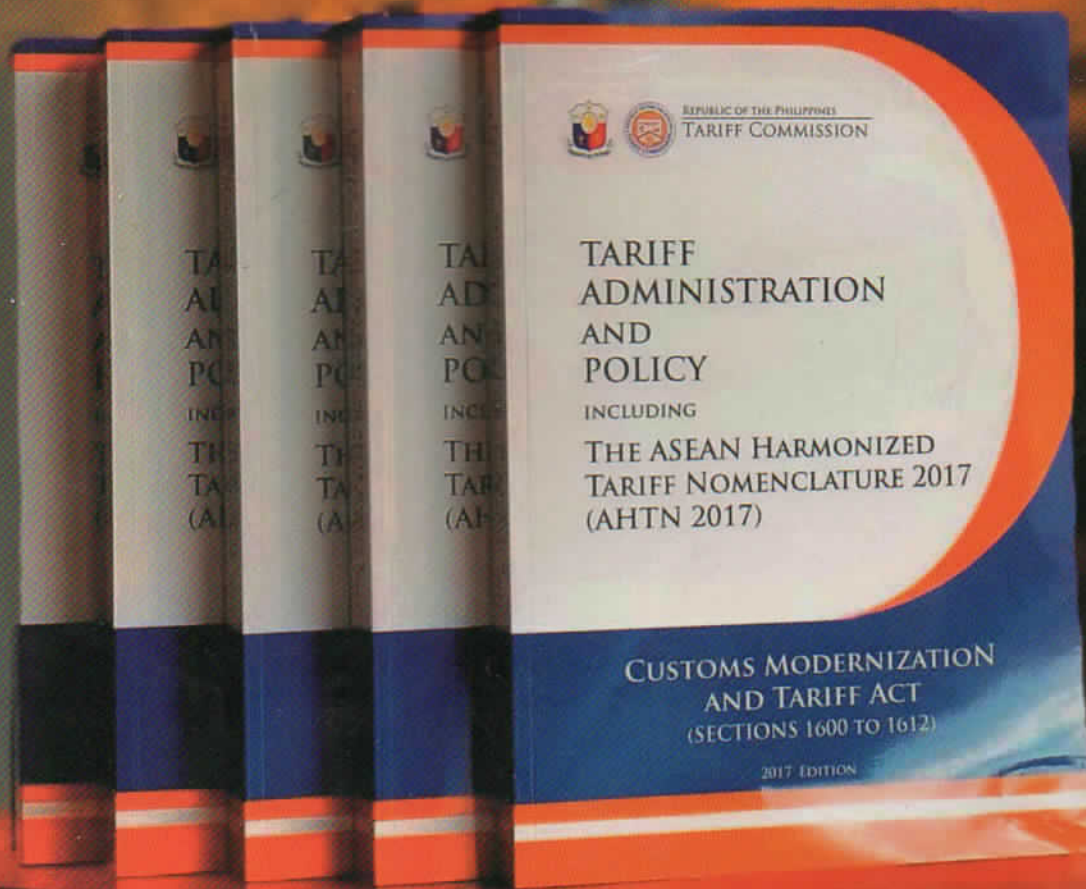




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I congratulate my TC family for the tremendous amount of work accomplished in 2017 in pursuit of the Commission's commitment to responsive public service. Let me mention several...

The Commission spearheaded Philippine implementation of the 2017 version of the ASEAN Harmonized Tariff Nomenclature, or AHTN 2017, thus aligning the Philippine nomenclature with the international standard and facilitating foreign trade.

The Commission likewise spearheaded the review and establishment of the 2017 – 2020 MFN tariff structure which culminated in the issuance of Executive Order 20, s. 2017, hence lending greater predictability and transparency to the business environment and assisting business planning.

To help the trading community determine applicable customs duties on their transactions and comply with the customs regime, the Commission issued more than 500 advance rulings on tariff classification and an Order which aligns the Commission's advance rulings procedure with the relevant provisions of Republic Act 10863, or the Customs Modernization and Tariff Act.

The online Philippine Tariff Finder was updated and a Tariff Book issued, in keeping with the Commission's commitment to make accurate tariff and tariff-related information readily accessible.

As a quasi-judicial body, the Commission adjudicated an anti-dumping case and issued monitoring reports on compliance with industry adjustment plans.

Let me stop here lest I repeat the entire Annual Report.

May I end by saying that we at the Commission commit our efforts towards the realization of the Filipino *AmBisyon* for a *Matatag, Maginhawa at Panatag na Buhay* by 2040, if not sooner. And while I laud my TC family for their tenacious dedication, I also challenge them to continue to persevere and perform their tasks with a high degree of competence, professionalism, and integrity.

Mabuhay ang Pilipinas!

Marilou P. Mendoza
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