

CHAPTER 297

CUSTOMS DUTY (MOST-FAVOURED-NATION TARIFF)

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CHAPTER 297**CUSTOMS DUTY (MOST-FAVOURED-NATION
TARIFF)****An Act to authorise the levying of duties of customs
specified in Most-Favoured-Nation Tariff Agreements.**

34 of 1957
44 of 1959
G.N. 187/1964
E.L.A.O., 1974

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1. This Act may be cited as the Customs Duty (Most-Favoured-Nation Tariff) Act. Short title.
2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires — Interpretation.
- “Most-Favoured-Nation Tariff Agreement” means an agreement described in section 3 of this Act;
- “Government” means the Government of The Bahamas; *E.L.A.O., 1974.*
- “Most-Favoured-Nation Tariff” means a rate or amount of customs duty specified in a Most Favoured-Nation Tariff Agreement in respect of a product imported into The Bahamas.
3. When the Government has made an Agreement with another State by which a reduced rate or amount of customs duty is specified in respect of a product of The Bahamas imported into that other State in reciprocation for a reduced rate or amount of customs duty in respect of a product of that other State imported into The Bahamas, customs duty shall, subject to the provisions of section 5 of this Act, be levied at such reduced rate or amount on the importation into The Bahamas, of such products — Most-Favoured
Nation Tariff
Agreement and
power to levy
Most-Favoured
Nation Tariff.
44 of 1959, s. 2;
E.L.A.O., 1974.
- (a) from that other State; and
- (b) from all states which are contracting parties to an Agreement known as The General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade to which the Government is a party; and
- (c) from all other states with which the Government has entered into Most-Favoured-Nation Tariff Agreements, instead of at the rate or amount of customs duty prescribed for such product by the Tariff Act, or any Act passed in amendment thereof or in substitution thereof. Ch. 295.

Preferential duty
in conjunction
with Most-
Favoured-Nation
Tariff.

4. When a Most-Favoured-Nation Tariff Agreement specifies a preferential rate, amount or margin of customs duty in conjunction with a Most-Favoured-Nation Tariff, such preferential rate, amount or margin of duty, as the case may be, shall, subject to the provisions of section 5 of this Act, be allowed instead of the preferential rate, amount or margin of customs duty, as the case may be, allowed by the Tariff Act, or any Act passed in amendment thereof or in substitution therefor.

Ch. 295.

Coming into
operation of
terms of Most-
Favoured-Nation
Tariff
Agreement.
G.N. 187/1964
s. 13.

5. It shall be lawful for the Governor-General by Order to declare the date from which the terms of any Most-Favoured-Nation Tariff Agreement shall become effective in The Bahamas.