

EU-Association

Aruba as a partner of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, is qualified as an Overseas Country and Territory (OCT) by the European Union since 1964. This qualification, laid down in the Overseas Association Decision means that products originating in Aruba are imported into the Community free of import duty. Products are considered as originating in Aruba if they are wholly obtained here or if they are products obtained in Aruba incorporating materials, which have not been wholly obtained here, provided that such materials have undergone sufficient working or processing in Aruba. Non-originating products in free circulation in Aruba which are exported as such to the Community have duty-free access into the Community market as well, provided that:

The import duties paid in Aruba are at least equal to those applicable in the Community on the import of the same products originating in third countries eligible for the Most-Favoured-Nation clause (MFN)

The products have not been the subject of an exemption from, or a refund of, in whole or in part, customs duties or taxes having equivalent effect.

The products are not agricultural products.

The products are not subjected, on import into the Community, to quantitative restrictions or limitations or to anti-dumping duties. The products are accompanied by an export certificate.