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**NOTE**

This document contains a list of beneficiaries for each of the GSP schemes currently in operation according to notifications received from UNCTAD member States. While every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the list, the UNCTAD secretariat would appreciate being notified of any errors. It is intended to update the list periodically to reflect any modifications that may be made by preference-giving countries. The terminology used in the list for the designation of the countries and territories benefiting from the GSP schemes is that of the respective preference-giving countries.

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## PREFACE

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- Handbook on the Preferential Tariff Scheme of the Republic of Korea in favour of Least Developed Countries (UNCTAD/ITCD/TSB/Misc.75)
- Handbook on the Scheme of New Zealand (UNCTAD/ITCD/TSB/Misc.48)
- Handbook on the Scheme of Norway (UNCTAD/ITCD/TSB/Misc.29/Rev.1)
- Handbook on the Scheme of Switzerland (UNCTAD/ITCD/TSB/Misc.28/Rev.2)
- Handbook on the Scheme of Turkey (UNCTAD/ITCD/TSB/Misc.74)
- Handbook on the Scheme of the United States of America (UNCTAD/ITCD/TSB/Misc.58/Rev.2)
- List of GSP Beneficiaries (Present volume)
- AGOA: A Preliminary Assessment (UNCTAD/ITCD/TSB/2003/1)
- Quantifying the Benefits Obtained by Developing Countries from the GSP (UNCTAD/ITCD/TSB/Misc.52)
- Trade Preferences for LDCs: An Early Assessment of Benefits and Possible Improvement (UNCTAD/ITCD/TSB/2003/8)

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**GENERALIZED SYSTEM OF PREFERENCES:  
LIST OF BENEFICIARY COUNTRIES AND  
TERRITORIES**





GSP BENEFICIARIES		GSP DONORS																
		AUSTRALIA	BELARUS	CANADA	EUROPEAN UNION			ICELAND	JAPAN	KAZAKHSTAN	NEW ZEALAND	NORWAY		RUSSIAN FEDERATION	SWITZERLAND	TURKEY	UNITED STATES	
					GSP	GSP-LDCs (EBA)	GSP +					GSP	GSP +				GSP	AGOA
Afghanistan	LDC	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
Albania		X	X						X	X	X			X			X	
Algeria*		X	X	X					X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
American Samoa *		X		X					X							X		
Angola	LDC	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
Anguilla		X	X	X					X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
Antigua and Barbuda*		X	X	X					X	X	X	X		X	X	X		
Antilles (Netherlands)*		X		X												X		
Argentina*		X	X	X					X	X	X	X		X	X	X		
Armenia				X	X		X		X			X	X		X		X	
Aruba			X							X				X	X	X		
Azerbaijan*				X					X			X			X	X	X	
Bahamas*		X	X	X						X				X		X		
Bahrain*		X	X	X						X				X	X	X		
Bangladesh	LDC	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
Barbados*		X	X	X						X				X		X		
Belarus									X			X			X	X		
Belize		X	X	X					X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Benin	LDC	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
Bermuda*		X	X	X						X				X		X		
Bhutan	LDC	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
Bolivia (Plurinational State of)		X	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Bosnia and Herzegovina*		X	X	X					X	X	X	X		X	X		X	
Botswana*		X	X	X					X	X	X	X		X		X	X	X
Bouvet Islands																X		
Brazil*		X	X	X					X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
British Antarctic Territory																		
British Indian Ocean Territory		X		X							x					X	X	
Brunei Darussalam*		X	X	X						X				X		X		
Burkina Faso	LDC	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X

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					GSP	GSP-LDCs (EBA)	GSP +					GSP	GSP +				GSP	AGOA
Burundi	LDC	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
Cambodia	LDC	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
Cameroon		X	X	X				X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Canary Islands								X										
Cape Verde		X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Cayman Islands*		X	X	X					X				X		X			
Central African Republic	LDC	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
Ceuta and Melilla								X										
Chad	LDC	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
Chile*		X	X	X				X	X	X			X		X			
China*,**		X	X	X	X				X	X	X	X		X	X	X		
China, Hong Kong*		X	X	X						X			X					
China, Macao*		X		X												X		
China, Taiwan Province of		X																
Christmas Island				X							X				X	X		
Cocos Islands				X							X				X			
Colombia*		X	X	X	X				X	X	X	X		X		X		
Comoros	LDC	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
Congo		X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Cook Islands <sup>3</sup>		X	X	X	X		X		X	X		X		X	X	X	X	
Costa Rica*		X	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X		X	X	X		
Côte d'Ivoire	LDC	X	X	X					X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
Croatia*		X	X	X					X	X	X			X				
Cuba*		X	X	X					X	X	X	X		X	X	X		
Cyprus		X																
Democratic People's Republic of Korea		X	X							X				X	X			
Democratic Republic of the Congo	LDC	X	X	X	X	X			X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
Djibouti	LDC	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
Dominica*		X	X	X					X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
Dominican Republic*		X	X	X					X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
Ecuador*,**		X	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
Egypt		X	X	X					X	X	X			X		X	X	
El Salvador		X	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Equatorial Guinea*, <sup>5</sup>	LDC	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
Eritrea	LDC	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X

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					GSP	GSP-LDCs (EBA)	GSP +					GSP	GSP +				GSP	AGO
Ethiopia	LDC	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
Falkland Islands (Malvinas) <sup>4</sup>		X		X					X		X					X	X	
Fiji <sup>3</sup>		X	X	X					X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
French Southern and Antarctic Territories				X												X		
French Polynesia*		X		X												X		
Gabon*		X	X	X					X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
Gambia	LDC	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
Georgia				X	X		X	X			X	X		X	X	X	X	
Ghana <sup>2</sup>		X	X	X					X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
Gibraltar*		X		X					X		X					X	X	
Greenland																X		
Grenada*		X	X	X					X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
Guam*		X		X												X		
Guatemala		X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Guinea	LDC	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
Guinea-Bissau	LDC	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Guyana		X	X	X					X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Haiti	LDC	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
Heard Island and McDonald Islands																X	X	
Honduras		X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
India*		X	X	X	X				X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
Indonesia*		X	X	X	X				X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
Iran, Islamic Republic of*		X	X	X					X	X	X	X		X	X	X		
Iraq		X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Israel*		X		X														
Jamaica*		X	X	X					X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
Jordan*		X	X	X					X	X	X			X		X	X	
Kazakhstan*				X					X			X			X	X	X	
Kenya <sup>2</sup>		X	X	X					X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
Kiribati <sup>3</sup>	LDC	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
Kosovo												X	X		X		X	
Kuwait*		X	X	X						X				X		X		
Kyrgyz Republic <sup>2</sup>				X	X		X	X			X			X	X	X	X	
Lao People's Democratic Republic	LDC	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X		

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					GSP	GSP-LDCs (EBA)	GSP +					GSP	GSP +				GSP	AGOA
Lebanon*		X	X	X				X	X	X			X		X	X		
Lesotho	LDC	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	
Liberia	LDC	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya		X	X					X	X	X	X		X	X	X			
Madagascar	LDC	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
Malawi	LDC	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
Malaysia*		X	X	X				X	X	X	X		X	X	X			
Maldives* ** 2		X	X	X				X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X		
Mali	LDC	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
Marshall Islands <sup>3</sup>		X	X	X	X		X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X			
Mauritania	LDC	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
Mauritius*		X	X	X				X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	
Mayotte															X			
Mexico*		X	X	X				X	X	X			X		X			
Micronesia, Federated States of <sup>3</sup>		X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
Midway Islands		X																
Moldova, Republic of				X				X			X	X		X	X	X		
Mongolia		X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Montenegro			X					X	X				X		X	X		
Montserrat		X	X	X				X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X		
Morocco		X	X	X				X	X	X			X		X			
Mozambique	LDC	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
Myanmar	LDC	X	X		X	X		X	X	X	X		X	X				
Namibia*		X	X	X				X	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	
Nauru <sup>3</sup>		X	X	X	X		X		X		X		X	X	X			
Nepal	LDC	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
New Caledonia and Dependencies*		X		X										X	X			
Nicaragua		X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
Niger	LDC	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
Nigeria		X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	
Niue <sup>3</sup>		X	X	X	X		X	X		X			X	X	X	X		
Norfolk Island				X						X					X	X		
Northern Mariana Islands*		X		X											X			
Occupied Palestinian Territories <sup>1</sup>		X						X		X						X		



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Sudan	LDC	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X		
Suriname*		X	X	X					X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
Swaziland		X	X	X					X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X
Syrian Arab Republic		X	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Tajikistan				X	X		X		X			X		X	X			
Tanzania (United Republic of)	LDC	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
Thailand*,**		X	X	X	X				X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia*		X	X	X					X	X	X		X				X	
Timor-Leste	LDC	X	X	X	X	X			X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
Togo	LDC	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
Tokelau		X	X	X					X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	
Tonga <sup>3</sup>		X	X	X	X		X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Trinidad and Tobago*		X	X	X						X	X		X		X			
Tunisia*		X	X	X					X	X	X		X		X	X		
Turkey*		X	X	X					X	X	X		X				X	
Turkmenistan				X	X		X					X	X		X	X		
Turks and Caicos Islands*		X	X	X					X	X	X	X		X		X	X	
Tuvalu <sup>3</sup>	LDC	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
Uganda	LDC	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
Ukraine				X	X				X			X				X	X	
United Arab Emirates*		X	X	X						X			X		X			
United States Minor Outlying Islands											X				X			
Uruguay*		X	X	X					X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
Uzbekistan				X	X		X		X			X		X	X	X	X	
Vanuatu <sup>3,5</sup>	LDC	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
Venezuela, Bolivarian Republic of*		X	X	X					X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
Viet Nam		X	X	X	X				X	X	X	X		X	X	X		
Virgin Islands (United Kingdom)		X	X	X					X	X			X			X	X	
Virgin Islands (United States)*		X		X												X		
Wallis and Futuna Islands		X									X	X		X	X	X	X	
Western Sahara														X		X		

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					GSP	GSP-LDCs (EBA)	GSP +					GSP	GSP +				GSP	AGOA
West Bank and Gaza Strip <sup>1</sup>																	X	
Yemen	LDC	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	
Zambia	LDC	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
Zimbabwe <sup>2</sup>		X	X	X					X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	

## NOTES

\* Country that will be excluded from the Generalized System of Preferences scheme of Canada as from 1 January 2015 (Canada Gazette, part II, vol. 147, no. 21 (2013)).

\*\* China, Ecuador, Maldives and Thailand were classified by the World Bank as upper-middle income countries in 2011, 2012 and 2013. Therefore, these countries will not be beneficiary countries of the Generalized System of Preferences scheme of the European Union as from 1 January 2015 (Commission delegated regulation (European Union) no. 1421/2013 of 30 October 2013 amending annexes I, II and IV to regulation (European Union) no. 978/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council applying a scheme of generalized tariff preferences).

<sup>1</sup> Gaza Strip and West Bank, including East Jerusalem.

<sup>2</sup> Country treated as a least developed country under the Generalized System of Preferences scheme of Norway.

<sup>3</sup> Country classified as a Forum Island Country under the Generalized System of Preferences scheme of Australia.

<sup>4</sup> A dispute exists between the Governments of Argentina and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland concerning sovereignty over the Falkland Islands (Malvinas). See UNCTAD editorial directive ST/CS/SER.A/42 dated 3 August 1999.

<sup>5</sup> The General Assembly, in its resolution 68/18 adopted on 4 December 2013, decided that Equatorial Guinea will graduate three and a half years after the adoption of the resolution and that Vanuatu will graduate four years after the adoption of the resolution.





