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**AUTHORITY ANNOUNCES FINAL EXTENSION OF WRITTEN PERMISSION FOR PRICE
ADJUSTMENTS RELATED TO THE UNITED STATES' IMPOSITION OF TARIFFS ON
CERTAIN ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2019**

November 4, 2019

The New York State Liquor Authority (the "Authority") hereby announces the extension until December 31, 2019 of the tariff related price posting relief granted by Counsel to the Authority via an October 11, 2019 announcement ([attached](#)), in an effort to ensure orderly market conditions during the busy Holiday Season. As a reminder, wholesalers have been given permission to charge retailers the exact amount of the imposed tariffs/import duties actually imposed by the federal government¹ over and above price posted prices for certain alcoholic beverages from specific countries including French wines (not over 14% alcohol-by-volume) and Scotch single malt whiskies.

This extension to the end of December, which permits increases above posted prices on tariffed goods, will only apply if a wholesaler actually holds unsold inventory of an item of liquor or wine on the tariff list for which tariffs were not assessed (because the inventory was cleared through Customs prior to October 18, 2019, or for any other reason). For items on the tariff list for which wholesalers hold no unsold pre-tariff goods, only the prices posted for December can be used for sales to retailers in December. Wholesalers are further hereby reminded of the strict recordkeeping requirements imposed upon them for all brands of liquor or wine for which they utilize tariff pricing, namely daily inventory of all such items in their possession, including dates and amounts of cases cleared through Customs.

Further questions regarding this written permission for price adjustment may be directed to Paul Karamanol in the Office of Counsel at: 518-474-3114, or via email at: legal@sla.ny.gov.

¹ Tariffs on certain liquors and wines were imposed by the United States government on October 18, 2019 via Federal Register vol. 84, no. 196 ([attached](#))