

5,428 dozen, in the case of Hong Kong. On April 18, 1995, CITA dropped its request for consultations with India on Category 440 that was made on December 30, 1994 (see 60 FR 5653, published on January 30, 1995) and resubmitted the request under Article 6 of the ATC.

A summary statement of serious damage concerning Category 440 follows this notice.

Anyone wishing to comment or provide data or information regarding the treatment of Category 440, or to comment on domestic production or availability of products included in Category 440, is invited to submit 10 copies of such comments or information to Rita D. Hayes, Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230; ATTN: Helen L. LeGrande. The comments received will be considered in the context of the consultations with the Government of India and the Government of Hong Kong.

Because the exact timing of the consultations is not yet certain, comments should be submitted promptly. Comments or information submitted in response to this notice will be available for public inspection in the Office of Textiles and Apparel, room H3100, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC.

Further comments may be invited regarding particular comments or information received from the public which the Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements considers appropriate for further consideration.

The solicitation of comments regarding any aspect of the agreement or the implementation thereof is not a waiver in any respect of the exemption contained in 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1) relating to matters which constitute "a foreign affairs function of the United States."

The United States remains committed to finding a solution concerning Category 440. Should such a solution be reached in consultations with the Governments of India and Hong Kong, further notice will be published in the **Federal Register**.

A description of the textile and apparel categories in terms of HTS numbers is available in the CORRELATION: Textile and Apparel Categories with the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (see

**Federal Register** notice 59 FR 65531, published on December 20, 1994).

**Rita D. Hayes,**  
*Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.*

**Summary Statement of Serious Damage Woven Wool Shirts and Blouses—Category 440**

**April 1995**

The sharp and substantial increase in imports of woven wool shirts and blouses, Category 440, is causing serious damage to the U.S. industry producing woven wool shirts and blouses.

Category 440 imports surged to 141,502 dozen in the year ending January 1995, nearly double the year ending January 1994 level.

Serious damage to the domestic industry resulting from the sharp and substantial increase in imports of woven wool shirts and blouses is attributed to India and Hong Kong. The combination of high import levels, surging imports, and low priced goods from these countries have resulted in loss of domestic output, market share, investment, employment, man-hours worked, and total annual wages.

Total imports from these two countries increased from 17,687 dozen in the year ending January 1994 to 82,126 dozen in the twelve months ending in January 1995, a sharp and substantial increase of 364 percent. Together their year ending January 1994 imports were 24 percent of total Category 440 imports. Their share of total category imports increased to 58 percent in the year ending January 1995. Their year ending January 1995 imports were 107 percent of total U.S. production of woven wool shirts and blouses in the year ending September 1994.

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**Request for Public Comments on Bilateral Textile Consultations on Women's and Girls' Wool Coats**

May 17, 1995.

**AGENCY:** Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Janet Heinzen (India) and Jennifer Aldrich (Honduras), International Trade Specialists, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-4212. For information on categories for which consultations have been requested, call (202) 482-3740.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Authority:** Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended; section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854).

Under the terms of Article 6 of the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (ATC) and the Uruguay Round Agreements Act, the Government of the United States requested consultations, on April 18, 1995 and April 24, 1995, respectively, with the Governments of India and Honduras with respect to women's and girls' wool coats in Category 435, produced or manufactured in India and Honduras.

The purpose of this notice is to advise the public that, if no solution is agreed upon in consultations with the Government of India and the Government of Honduras, the Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements may later establish a limit for the entry and withdrawal from warehouse for consumption of wool textile products in Category 435, produced or manufactured in India and Honduras and exported during the twelve-month period April 18, 1995 through April 17, 1996, at a level of not less than 37,487 dozen, in the case of India, and exported during the twelve-month period April 24, 1995 through April 23, 1996, at a level of not less than 14,400 dozen, in the case of Honduras. On April 18, 1995, CITA dropped its request for consultations with India on Category 435 that was made on December 30, 1994 (see 60 FR 5653, published on January 30, 1995) and resubmitted the request under Article 6 of the ATC.

A summary statement of serious damage concerning Category 435 follows this notice.

Anyone wishing to comment or provide data or information regarding the treatment of Category 435, or to comment on domestic production or availability of products included in Category 435, is invited to submit 10 copies of such comments or information to Rita D. Hayes, Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230; ATTN: Helen L. LeGrande. The comments received will be considered in the context of the consultations with the Government of India and the Government of Honduras.

Because the exact timing of the consultations is not yet certain, comments should be submitted promptly. Comments or information submitted in response to this notice will be available for public inspection in the Office of Textiles and Apparel, room H3100, U.S. Department of Commerce,

14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC.

Further comments may be invited regarding particular comments or information received from the public which the Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements considers appropriate for further consideration.

The solicitation of comments regarding any aspect of the agreement or the implementation thereof is not a waiver in any respect of the exemption contained in 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1) relating to matters which constitute "a foreign affairs function of the United States."

The United States remains committed to finding a solution concerning Category 435. Should such a solution be reached in consultations with the Governments of India and Honduras, further notice will be published in the **Federal Register**.

A description of the textile and apparel categories in terms of HTS numbers is available in the CORRELATION: Textile and Apparel Categories with the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (see **Federal Register** notice 59 FR 65531, published on December 20, 1994).

**Rita D. Hayes,**

*Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.*

**Summary Statement of Serious Damage Women's and Girls' Wool Coats—Category 435**

**April 1995**

The sharp and substantial increase in imports of women's and girls' wool coats, Category 435, is causing serious damage to the U.S. industry producing women's and girls' wool coats.

Category 435 imports surged to 1,206,632 dozen in the year ending January 1995, 9 percent above the year ending January 1994 level.

Serious damage to the domestic industry resulting from the sharp and substantial increase in imports of women's and girls' wool coats is attributed to India and Honduras. In both cases surging imports and low priced goods have resulted in loss of domestic output, market share, investment, employment, man-hours worked, and total annual wages.

Total imports from these two countries increased from 10,366 dozen in the year ending January 1994 to 51,887 dozen in the twelve months ending in January 1995, a sharp and substantial increase of 400 percent. Together their year ending January 1994 imports were 0.9 percent of total Category 435 imports. Their share of total category imports increased to 4.3 percent in the year ending January 1995.

Their year ending January 1995 imports were 5.7 percent of total U.S. production of women's and girls' wool coats in the year ending September 1994.

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**Request for Public Comments on Bilateral Textile Consultations on Man-Made Fiber Luggage**

May 17, 1995.

**AGENCY:** Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Janet Heinzen (Philippines), Helen L. LeGrande (Sri Lanka) and Ross Arnold (Thailand), International Trade Specialists, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-4212. For information on categories for which consultations have been requested, call (202) 482-3740.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Authority:** Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended; section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854).

Under the terms of Article 6 of the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (ATC) and the Uruguay Round Agreements Act, the Government of the United States requested consultations, on April 24, 1995 (Philippines) and April 27, 1995 (Sri Lanka and Thailand), with the Governments of the Philippines, the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and Thailand with respect to man-made fiber luggage in Category 670-L, produced or manufactured in the Philippines, Sri Lanka and Thailand.

The purpose of this notice is to advise the public that, if no solution is agreed upon in consultations with the Government of the Philippines and the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and the Government of Thailand, the Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements may later establish a limit for the entry and withdrawal from warehouse for consumption of man-made fiber textile products in Category 670-L, produced or manufactured in the Philippines, Sri Lanka and Thailand and exported during the twelve-month period April 24, 1995 through April 23, 1996, at a level of not less than 7,718,533 kilograms, in the case of the Philippines; exported during the twelve-month period April 27, 1995 through April 26, 1996, at a level of not less than

3,420,904 kilograms, in the case of Sri Lanka; and exported during the twelve-month period April 27, 1995 through April 26, 1996, at a level of not less than 19,792,859 kilograms, in the case of Thailand. On April 27, 1995, CITA dropped its request for consultations with Thailand on Category 670-L that was made on November 28, 1994 (see 60 FR 2081, published on January 6, 1995) and resubmitted the request under Article 6 of the ATC.

A summary statement of serious damage concerning Category 670-L follows this notice.

Anyone wishing to comment or provide data or information regarding the treatment of Category 670-L, or to comment on domestic production or availability of products included in Category 670-L, is invited to submit 10 copies of such comments or information to Rita D. Hayes, Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230; ATTN: Helen L. LeGrande. The comments received will be considered in the context of the consultations with the Government of the Philippines, the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka and the Government of Thailand.

Because the exact timing of the consultations is not yet certain, comments should be submitted promptly. Comments or information submitted in response to this notice will be available for public inspection in the Office of Textiles and Apparel, room H3100, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC.

Further comments may be invited regarding particular comments or information received from the public which the Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements considers appropriate for further consideration.

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The United States remains committed to finding a solution concerning Category 670-L. Should such a solution be reached in consultations with the Governments of the Philippines, Sri Lanka and Thailand, further notice will be published in the **Federal Register**.

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