

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce is establishing a Federal Advisory Committee on Marine Protected Areas (Committee) pursuant to Executive Order 13158 and is seeking nominations for membership on this Committee.

DATES: Nominations must be postmarked on or before September 30, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Nominations should be sent to the Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management, NOAA, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910, Attn: Federal Advisory Committee on Marine Protected Areas.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Roger Griffis, NOAA, (301) 713-3155, extension 104. E-mail: Roger.B.Griffis@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On August 10, 2001, (66 FR 42204), NOAA published a notice requesting nominations for the Committee. Additional details about the Committee and the nomination process are provided in the notice and not repeated here. NOAA is re-opening the application deadline until September 30, 2001.

Nominations should be sent to (see **ADDRESSES**) and must be postmarked on or before September 30, 2001.

Dated: September 18, 2001.

William T. Hogarth,

Assistant Administrator for Fisheries National Marine Fisheries Service.

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Adjustment of an Import Limit for Certain Cotton Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Malaysia

September 20, 2001.

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

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs adjusting a limit.

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 25, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ross Arnold, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-4212. For information on the quota status of this limit, refer to the Quota Status Reports posted on the bulletin boards of each Customs port, call (202) 927-5850, or refer to the U.S. Customs website at <http://www.customs.gov>. For

information on embargoes and quota re-openings, refer to the Office of Textiles and Apparel website at <http://otexa.ita.doc.gov>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

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

The current limit for Category 345 is being increased for carryforward.

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 65 FR 82328, published on December 28, 2000). Also see 65 FR 69914, published on November 21, 2000.

D. Michael Hutchinson,

Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

September 20, 2001.

Commissioner of Customs,
Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20229.

Dear Commissioner: This directive amends, but does not cancel, the directive issued to you on November 15, 2000, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. That directive concerns imports of certain cotton, wool and man-made fiber textiles and textile products and silk blend and other vegetable fiber apparel, produced or manufactured in Malaysia and exported during the twelve-month period which began on January 1, 2001 and extends through December 31, 2001.

Effective on September 25, 2001, you are directed to increase the current limit for Category 345 to 227,168 dozen¹, as provided for under the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing:

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that this action falls within the foreign affairs exception of the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,

D. Michael Hutchinson,

Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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¹ The limit has not been adjusted to account for any imports exported after December 31, 2000.

COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Adjustment of Import Limits for Certain Man-Made Fiber Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Pakistan

September 19, 2001.

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

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs adjusting limits.

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 25, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ross Arnold, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-4212. For information on the quota status of these limits, refer to the Quota Status Reports posted on the bulletin boards of each Customs port, call (202) 927-5850, or refer to the U.S. Customs website at <http://www.customs.gov>. For information on embargoes and quota re-openings, refer to the Office of Textiles and Apparel website at <http://otexa.ita.doc.gov>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

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

The current limit for Category 666-P is being increased for special shift from Category 666-S, reducing the limit for Category 666-S to account for the special shift being applied to Category 666-P.

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 65 FR 82328, published on December 28, 2000). Also see 65 FR 66972, published on November 8, 2000.

D. Michael Hutchinson,

Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

September 19, 2001.

Commissioner of Customs,
Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20229.

Dear Commissioner: This directive amends, but does not cancel, the directive issued to you on November 2, 2000, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. That directive concerns imports of certain cotton and man-made fiber textile products produced or

manufactured in Pakistan and exported during the twelve-month period which began on January 1, 2001 and extends through December 31, 2001.

Effective on, September 25, 2001, you are directed to adjust the limits for the following categories, as provided for under the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing:

Category	Adjusted twelve-month limit ¹
Specific limits	
666-P ²	1,181,955 kilograms.
666-S ³	5,037,443 kilograms.

¹ The limits have not been adjusted to account for any imports exported after December 31, 2000.

² Category 666-P: only HTS numbers 6302.22.1010, 6302.22.1020, 6302.22.2010, 6302.32.1010, 6302.32.1020, 6302.32.2010 and 6302.32.2020.

³ Category 666-S: only HTS numbers 6302.22.1030, 6302.22.1040, 6302.22.2020, 6302.32.1030, 6302.32.1040, 6302.32.2030 and 6302.32.2040.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that these actions fall within the foreign affairs exception of the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,
D. Michael Hutchinson,
Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.
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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Provisions for Delays of Textile Visas or Exempt Certificates Due to the Recent National Emergency

September 19, 2001.

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

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs making provisions for delays in textile visas or exempt certificates due to the recent national emergency

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 11, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Brian F. Fennessy, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-3400.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

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

In light of the recent national emergency, some textile visas or exempt certificates may be delayed in reaching their destination; visas are often

delivered by courier services that have been disrupted by these events. As a result, CITA has determined that copies of visas and exempt certificates shall be accepted for conditional release of merchandise for a limited period of time.

In the letter published below, the Chairman of CITA directs the Commissioner of Customs, with respect to all textiles and textile product subject to visa requirements entered on or after September 11, 2001 but prior to September 29, 2001, to accept copies of textile visas or exempt certificates for the conditional release of merchandise. The original textile visa or exempt certificate must be presented to the U.S. Customs Service upon receipt and no later than October 12, 2001. Effective for textiles and textile products entered on or after September 29, 2001, original textile visas will be required. U.S. Customs should continue to require an Electronic Visa Information System (ELVIS) transmission for all shipments for which an ELVIS transmission is required.

Absent submission of the original textile visa or exempt certificate on or before October 12, 2001, the goods will be deemed inadmissible.

D. Michael Hutchinson,
Acting Chairman, Committee for Implementation of Textile Agreements

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

September 19, 2001.

Commissioner of Customs,
Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20229.

Charles W. Winwood
Acting Commissioner
U.S. Customs Service
1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20229

Dear Mr. Commissioner:

In light of the recent national emergency, some textile visas or exempt certificates may be delayed in reaching their destination; visas are often delivered by courier services that have been disrupted by these events. As a result, CITA has determined that copies of visas and exempt certificates shall be accepted for conditional release of merchandise for a limited period of time.

CITA directs that, with respect to all textiles and textile product subject to visa requirements entered on or after September 11, 2001 but prior to September 29, 2001, the United States Customs Service shall accept copies of textile visas or exempt certificates for the conditional release of merchandise. The original textile visa or exempt certificate must be presented to the U.S. Customs Service upon receipt and no later than October 12, 2001. Effective for textiles and textile products entered on or after September 29, 2001, original textile visas will be required. U.S. Customs should continue to

require an Electronic Visa Information System (ELVIS) transmission for all shipments for which an ELVIS transmission is required.

Absent submission of the original textile visa or exempt certificate on or before October 12, 2001, the goods will be deemed inadmissible.

Sincerely,
D. Michael Hutchinson,
Acting Chairman, Committee for Implementation of Textile Agreements.
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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Designations Under the Textile and Apparel Short Supply Provisions of the African Growth and Opportunity Act (AGOA) and the United States-Caribbean Basin Trade Partnership Act (CBTPA)

September 20, 2001.

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

ACTION: Determination

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 24, 2001.

SUMMARY: The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (Committee) has determined, under the AGOA, that certain fabrics, for use in blouses and nightwear, cannot be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner, and, under the CBTPA, that 100 percent polyester crushed panne velour fabric of circular knit construction for use in apparel cannot be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner. The Committee hereby designates certain apparel articles that are both cut and sewn or otherwise assembled in an eligible country, from these fabrics, as eligible for quota-free and duty-free treatment under the textile and apparel short supply provisions of the AGOA and the CBTPA, and eligible under Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States subheadings 9819.11.24 or 9820.11.27, to enter free of quotas and duties.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Philip J. Martello, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-3400.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: Section 112(b)(5)(B) of the AGOA and Section 211 of the CBTPA, amending Section 213(b)(2)(A)(v)(II) of the Caribbean Basin Economic Recovery Act (CBERA); Presidential Proclamations 7350