

Fabrics named in the request:	
(a) Fabrics of subheadings 5208.21, 5208.22, 5208.29, 5208.31, 5208.32, 5208.39, 5208.41, 5208.42, 5208.49, 5208.51, 5208.52 or 5208.59, of average yarn number exceeding 135 metric;	
(b) Fabrics of subheadings 5513.11 or 5513.21, not of square construction, containing more than 70 warp ends and filling picks per square centimeter, of average yarn number exceeding 135 metric;	
(c) Fabrics of subheadings 5210.21 or 5210.31, not of square construction, containing more than 70 warp ends and filling picks per square centimeter, of average yarn number exceeding 135 metric;	
(d) Fabrics of subheadings 5208.22 or 5208.32, not of square construction, containing more than 75 warp ends and fillings picks per square centimeter, of average yarn number exceeding 135 metric;	
(e) Fabrics of subheadings 5407.81, 5407.82 or 5407.83, weighing less than 170 grams per square meter, having a dobby weave created by a dobby attachment, of average yarn number exceeding 135 metric;	
(f) Fabrics of subheadings 5208.42 or 5208.49, not of square construction, containing more than 85 warp ends and filling picks per square centimeter, of average yarn number exceeding 85 metric, or exceeding 135 metric if the fabric is of oxford construction (a modified basket weave with a large filling yarn having no twist woven under and over two single, twisted warp yarns);	
(g) Fabrics of subheading 5208.51, of square construction, containing more than 75 warp ends and filling picks per square centimeter, made with single yarns, of average yarn number 95 or greater metric;	
(h) Fabrics of subheading 5208.41, of square construction, with a gingham pattern, containing more than 85 warp ends and filling picks per square centimeter, made with single yarns, of average yarn number 135 or greater metric, and characterized by a check effect produced by the variation in color of the yarns in the warp and filling;	
(i) Fabrics of subheading 5208.41, with the warp colored with vegetable dyes, and the filling yarns white or colored with vegetable dyes, of average yarn number greater than 65 metric.	

Apparel articles named in the request:	
Handkerchiefs	(subheading 6213.20),
Dressing Gowns	(subheading 6208.91),
Boxer Shorts	(subheadings 6207.11, 6207.91, 6208.19, 6208.91), and
Other Apparel	(subheadings 6201.92, 6203.22, 6203.42, 6204.12, 6204.22, 6204.62, 6211.32, and 6211.42).

BACKGROUND:

The AGOA provides for quota- and duty-free treatment for qualifying textile and apparel products. Such treatment is generally limited to products manufactured from yarns or fabrics formed in the United States or a beneficiary country. The AGOA also provides for quota- and duty-free treatment for apparel articles that are both cut (or knit-to-shape) and sewn or otherwise assembled in one or more beneficiary sub-Saharan African countries from fabric or yarn that is not formed in the United States or a beneficiary sub-Saharan African country, if it has been determined that such fabric or yarns cannot be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner. In Executive Order No. 13191, the President delegated to CITA the authority to determine whether yarns or fabrics cannot be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner under the AGOA and directed CITA to establish procedures to ensure appropriate public participation in any such determination. On March 6, 2001, CITA published procedures in the Federal Register that it will follow in considering requests. (66 FR 13502).

On February 28, 2002, the Chairman of CITA received a petition from Esquel Enterprises Limited of Hong Kong and Textile Industries Limited in Mauritius alleging that certain fabrics, listed above, for use in certain apparel articles, listed above, cannot be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner and requesting quota- and duty-free treatment under the AGOA for such apparel articles that are cut and sewn in one or more beneficiary sub-Saharan African countries from such fabrics. CITA is soliciting public comments regarding this request, particularly with respect to whether such fabrics can be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner. Also relevant is whether other

products that are supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner are substitutable for the fabrics for the purposes of the intended use. Comments must be received no later than **March 25, 2002**. Interested persons are invited to submit six copies of such comments or information to the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements, Room 3100, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20230.

If a comment alleges that such fabrics can be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner, CITA will closely review any supporting documentation, such as a signed statement by a manufacturer of the yarn or fabric stating that it produces the fabrics that are the subject of the request, including the quantities that can be supplied and the time necessary to fill an order, as well as any relevant information regarding past production.

CITA will protect any business confidential information that is marked business confidential from disclosure for the full extent permitted by law. CITA will make available to the public non-confidential versions of the request and non-confidential versions of any public comments received with respect to a request in room 3100 in the Herbert Hoover Building, 14th and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20230. Persons submitting comments on a request are encouraged to include a non-confidential version and a non-confidential summary.

D. Michael Hutchinson,

Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Denial of Short Supply Request under the United States - Caribbean Basin Trade Partnership Act (CBTPA)

March 5, 2002.

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

ACTION: Denial of the petition alleging that certain fabrics used in women's and girls' blouses cannot be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner.

SUMMARY: On January 4, 2002 the Chairman of CITA received a petition

Apparel articles named in the request:	
Trousers	(subheadings 6203.19, 6203.22, 6204.12, 6204.22, 6204.52, 6204.62, 6211.32, 6211.42, 6217.90),
Shorts	(subheadings 6203.19, 6203.22, 6204.12, 6204.22, 6204.52, 6204.62, 6211.32, 6211.42, 6217.90),
Skirts	(subheadings 6204.12, 6204.22, 6204.52),
Dresses	(subheading 6204.42),

from School Apparel, Inc. alleging that certain fabrics, classified in subheadings 5210.21 and 5210.31 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) cannot be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner. It requested that women's and girls' blouses of such fabric be eligible for preferential treatment under the CBTPA. Based on currently available information, CITA has determined that these subject fabrics can be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner and therefore denies the petition.

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

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: Section 213(b)(2)(A)(v)(II) of the Caribbean Basin Economic Recovery Act, as added by Section 211(a) of the CBTPA; Section 6 of Executive Order No. 13191 of January 17, 2001.

BACKGROUND:

The CBTPA provides for quota- and duty-free treatment for qualifying textile and apparel products. Such treatment is generally limited to products manufactured from yarns or fabrics formed in the United States or a beneficiary country. The CBTPA also provides for quota- and duty-free treatment for apparel articles that are both cut (or knit-to-shape) and sewn or otherwise assembled in one or more CBTPA beneficiary countries from fabric or yarn that is not formed in the United States or a CBTPA beneficiary country, if it has been determined that such fabric or yarn cannot be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner. In Executive Order No. 13191, the President delegated to CITA the authority to determine whether yarns or fabrics cannot be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner under the CBTPA. On March 6, 2001, CITA published procedures that it will follow in considering requests. (66 FR 13502).

On January 4, 2002 the Chairman of CITA received a petition from School Apparel, Inc. alleging that certain fabrics, classified in subheadings 5210.21 and 5210.31 of the HTSUS, not of square construction, containing more than 70 warp ends and filling picks per square centimeter, of average yarn number exceeding 70 metric, cannot be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner. It requested that women's and

girls' blouses of such fabrics be eligible for preferential treatment under the CBTPA.

On January 10, 2002, CITA solicited public comments regarding this request (67 FR 1330) particularly with respect to whether these fabrics can be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner. On January 29, 2002, CITA and the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative offered to hold consultations with the relevant Congressional committees. We also requested that advice of the U.S. International Trade Commission and the relevant Industry Sector Advisory Committees.

CITA has determined that certain fabrics, classified in sub-headings 5210.21 and 5210.31 of the HTSUS, not of square construction, containing more than 70 warp ends and filling picks per square centimeter, of average yarn number exceeding 70 metric, used in the production of women's and girls' blouses, can be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner. On the basis of currently available information, including its review of the petition, public comments and advice received, and its understanding of the industry, CITA has found that there is domestic capacity to produce these fabrics. School Apparel's request is denied.

D. Michael Hutchinson,

Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Notice of Availability of Funds To Strengthen Communities and Organizations in Using Service and Volunteers To Support Homeland Security

AGENCY: Corporation for National and Community Service.

ACTION: Notice of funding availability.

SUMMARY: The Corporation for National and Community Service (hereinafter the "Corporation") announces the availability of fiscal year 2002 funds to eligible organizations for the purpose of strengthening community efforts in support of homeland security. The Corporation defines homeland security to include programs that support public safety, public health, and disaster preparedness and relief. Approximately \$5 million is available for new grants under the AmeriCorps*State

competitive and AmeriCorps*National programs, \$5 million for new grants under Special Volunteer Programs, and \$1.4 million to support Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) volunteers.

Following the information that is common to all Corporation programs listed above, there is a specific section for each program funding opportunity. **DATES:** Applications for all categories must arrive at the Corporation no later than 5:00 p.m., Eastern Daylight Time, on May 8, 2002. The Corporation will not accept applications that are submitted via facsimile. Due to delays in delivery of regular USPS mail to government offices, there is no guarantee that your application will arrive in time to be considered. We suggest that you use USPS priority mail or a commercial overnight delivery service.

We anticipate announcing selections under this notice no later than June 28, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Applications for AmeriCorps*State, AmeriCorps*National and Special Volunteer Programs must be submitted to the Corporation at the following address: Corporation for National and Community Service, Attn: Nancy Talbot, 1201 New York Avenue NW, Box H.S., Washington, DC 20525. Applications for Retired and Senior Volunteer Programs must be submitted to the same address, Attn: John Keller. This Notice is available in an alternative format for people with visual impairments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information, contact one of the following: Nancy Talbot at 202-606-5000 x470 (ntalbot@cns.gov) for questions about Special Volunteer Programs; Peter Heinaru at 202-606-5000 x302 (pheinaru@cns.gov) for questions about AmeriCorps*State and National; and John Keller at 202-606-5000 x554 (jkeller@cns.gov) for questions about the Retired and Senior Volunteer Corps. The TDD number is 202-565-2799.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Corporation is a Federal Government corporation that encourages Americans of all ages and backgrounds to engage in community-based service to meet the nation's educational, public safety, environmental and other human needs. In doing so, the Corporation fosters civic responsibility, strengthens the ties that bind us together as a people, and provides educational opportunity for