

COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Adjustment of an Import Limit for Certain Cotton, Wool, Man-Made Fiber, Silk Blend and Other Vegetable Fiber Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Thailand

December 21, 2004.

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

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection adjusting a limit.

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 28, 2004.

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 Bureau of Customs and Border Protection website (<http://www.cbp.gov>), or call (202) 344-2650. 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 Group II is being increased for carryover.

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 69 FR 4926, published on February 2, 2004). Also see 68 FR 60923, published on October 24, 2003.

D. Michael Hutchinson,

Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

December 21, 2004.

Commissioner,
Bureau of Customs and Border Protection,
Washington, DC 20229

Dear Commissioner: This directive amends, but does not cancel, the directive issued to you on October 20, 2003, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. That directive concerns imports of certain cotton, wool, man-made fiber, silk blend and other vegetable fiber textiles and textile products, produced or manufactured in Thailand and exported during the twelve-month period which began on January 1, 2004 and extends through December 31, 2004.

Effective on December 28, 2004, you are directed to adjust the limit for Group II shown below, as provided for under the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing:

Category	Adjusted twelve-month limit ¹
Group II 237, 331pt. ² , 332-348, 351, 352, 359pt. ³ , 433-438, 440, 442-448, 459pt. ⁴ , 631pt. ⁵ , 633-648, 651, 652, 659-H ⁶ , 659pt. ⁷ , 845, 846 and 852, as a group	520,284,473 square meters equivalent.

¹ The limit has not been adjusted to account for any imports exported after December 31, 2003.

² Categories 331pt.: all HTS numbers except 6116.10.1720, 6116.10.4810, 6116.10.5510, 6116.10.7510, 6116.92.6410, 6116.92.6420, 6116.92.6430, 6116.92.6440, 6116.92.7450, 6116.92.7460, 6116.92.7470, 6116.92.8800, 6116.92.9400 and 6116.99.9510.

³ Category 359pt.: all HTS numbers except 6115.19.8010, 6117.10.6010, 6117.20.9010, 6203.22.1000, 6204.22.1000, 6212.90.0010, 6214.90.0010, 6406.99.1550, 6505.90.1525, 6505.90.1540, 6505.90.2060 and 6505.90.2545.

⁴ Category 459pt.: all HTS numbers except 6115.19.8020, 6117.10.1000, 6117.10.2010, 6117.20.9020, 6212.90.0020, 6214.20.0000, 6405.20.6030, 6405.20.6060, 6405.20.6090, 6406.99.1505 and 6406.99.1560.

⁵ Category 631pt.: all HTS numbers except 6116.10.1730, 6116.10.4820, 6116.10.5520, 6116.10.7520, 6116.93.8800, 6116.93.9400, 6116.99.4800, 6116.99.5400 and 6116.99.9530.

⁶ Category 659-H: only HTS numbers 6502.00.9030, 6504.00.9015, 6504.00.9060, 6505.90.5090, 6505.90.6090, 6505.90.7090 and 6505.90.8090.

⁷ Category 659pt.: all HTS numbers except 6502.00.9030, 6504.00.9015, 6504.00.9060, 6505.90.5090, 6505.90.6090, 6505.90.7090, 6505.90.8090 (Category 659-H); 6115.11.0010, 6115.12.2000, 6117.10.2030, 6117.20.9030, 6212.90.0030, 6214.30.0000, 6214.40.0000, 6406.99.1510 and 6406.99.1540.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that this action falls within the foreign affairs exception to 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

Adjustment of Import Limits for Certain Cotton and Man-Made Fiber Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in the Philippines

December 21, 2004.

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

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection adjusting limits.

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 28, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Naomi Freeman, 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 Bureau of Customs and Border Protection website (<http://www.cbp.gov>), or call (202) 344-2650. 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 Categories 638/639 is being increased for the partial undoing of special shift, reducing the limit for Categories 338/339 to account for the quantity being returned to 638/639.

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 69 FR 4926, published on February 2, 2004). Also see 68 FR 59923, published on October 20, 2003.

D. Michael Hutchinson,

Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

December 21, 2004.

Commissioner,
Bureau of Customs and Border Protection,
Washington, DC 20229.

Dear Commissioner: This directive amends, but does not cancel, the directive issued to you on October 14, 2003, 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 the Philippines and exported during the twelve-month period which began on January 1, 2004 and extends through December 31, 2004.

Effective on December 28, 2004, you are directed to adjust the limits for the following categories, as provided for under the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing:

Category	Twelve-month restraint limit ¹
Levels in Group I	
338/339	3,665,204 dozen.
638/639	2,980,832 dozen.

¹ The limits have not been adjusted to account for any imports exported after December 31, 2003.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that these actions fall within the foreign affairs exception to 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

Exempting Certain Textiles and Textile Products of the People's Republic of China from Safeguard Import Limits

December 23, 2004.

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

ACTION: Exempting Certain Products from China Textile Safeguard Import Limit.

SUMMARY: The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA) has determined that certain products, exempted from visa and quota requirements under previous arrangements, should also be exempted from limits imposed on textile and textile product imports from China under paragraph 242 of the Report of the Working Party on the Accession of China to the World Trade Organization (Accession Agreement).

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 29, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ross Arnold, 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.

Paragraph 242 of the Report of the Working Party on the Accession of China to the World Trade Organization (WTO) allows WTO Members that believe imports of Chinese origin textile and apparel products are, due to market disruption, threatening to impede the orderly development of trade in these products to request consultations with the People's Republic of China with a view to easing or avoiding such market disruption. CITA has imposed limits on imports from China pursuant to Paragraph 242 (see 68 FR 74944, 68 FR 74945, 68 FR 74947, and 69 FR 63371). CITA has in the past exempted from quota and visa requirements textile and textile products entered under certain subheadings of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTS), including articles, previously imported, with respect to which the duty was paid upon such previous importation or which were previously free of duty, entered under HTS subheadings 9801.00.20, 9801.00.25, or 9801.00.26; articles returned to the United States after having been exported to be advanced in value or improved in condition, entered under HTS subheadings 9802.00.40 or 9802.00.50; certain commercial samples treated to be unsuitable for sale or for use otherwise than as a sample, to be used in the United States only for soliciting orders for products of foreign countries valued at U.S. \$1 or less, entered under HTS subheading 9811.00.60; articles to be repaired, altered or processed (including processes which result in articles manufactured or produced in the United States), entered under HTS subheading 9813.00.05; articles not intended for sale or distribution to the public that are associated with an international athletic event held in the United States, such as the Olympics or similar international athletic event, entered under HTS subheading 9817.60.00. CITA has also exempted properly marked commercial samples valued at \$800 or less from these requirements.

In the directive below, the Chairman of CITA directs the Commissioner, Customs and Border Protection, to exempt such items from limits imposed under Paragraph 242.

D. Michael Hutchinson,

Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

December 23, 2004.

Commissioner,
Bureau of Customs and Border Protection,
Washington, D.C. 20229.

Dear Commissioner: Effective on December 29, 2004, in accordance with paragraph 242 of the China Accession Agreement and the procedures set forth by the Committee on May 21, 2003 (68 FR 27787), as clarified on August 18, 2003 (68 FR 49440), the United States has established, and may in future establish, safeguard limits on certain textile and apparel products from China.

Properly marked commercial samples valued at U.S.\$800 or less and importations under HTS items:

9801.00.20

9801.00.25

9801.00.26

9802.00.40

9802.00.50

9811.00.60

9813.00.05

9817.60.00

shall not be charged to applicable quota limits.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that this action falls within the foreign affairs exception to 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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CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Notice of Designation of Inspector General as a Debarring Official for Limited Purposes

AGENCY: Corporation for National and Community Service.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to a directive included in the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2004 and the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2005, the Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) has designated the Inspector General of CNCS as a debarring official for grantees that administer activities under AmeriCorps programs.

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 29, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Irshad Abdal-Haqq, Associate General Counsel, Office of General Counsel, 1201 New York Avenue, NW., Washington, DC, 20525, (202) 606-5000 Ext. 434 (*iabdal-haqq@cns.gov*).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Corporation has designated its Inspector General as a debarring official pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2004 and the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2005, which state, "[t]he Inspector General of the