Title VII of the Tax Relief and Health Care Act (TRHCA) of 2006, Public Law 107–432, extended the expiration of the ATPA to June 30, 2007. See Section 7002(a) of the TRHCA 2006. H.R. 1830, 110th Cong. (2007), further extended the expiration of the ATPA to February 29, 2008. H.R. 5264, 110th Cong. (2008), further extended the expiration of the ATPA to December 31, 2008. H.R. 7222, 110th Cong. (2008), further extended the expiration of the ATPA to December 31, 2009. H.R. 4284, 111th Cong. (2009), further extended the expiration of the ATPA to December 31, 2010. H.R. 6517, 111th Cong. (2010), further extended the expiration of the ATPA to February 12, 2011. H.R. 3078, 112th Cong. (2011), further extended the expiration of the ATPA to July 31, 2013. The purpose of this notice is to extend the period of the quantitative limitation for preferential tariff treatment under the regional fabric provision for imports of qualifying apparel articles from Colombia and Ecuador through September 30, 2012. For the period beginning on October 1, 2011 and extending through September 30, 2012 the aggregate quantity of imports eligible for preferential treatment under the regional fabric provision is 1,341,021,673 square meters equivalent. Apparel articles entered in excess of this quantity will be subject to otherwise applicable tariffs.

This quantity is calculated using the aggregate square meter equivalents of all apparel articles imported into the United States, derived from the set of Harmonized System lines listed in the Annex to the World Trade Organization Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (ATC), and the conversion factors for units of measure into square meter equivalents used by the United States in implementing the ATC.

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