

## COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

### Amendment to the 2012 Tariff Preference Level (TPL) for Nicaragua Under the Central America-Dominican Republic-United States Free Trade Agreement (CAFTA-DR)

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

**ACTION:** Amending the 2012 TPL for Nicaragua.

**DATES:** *Effective Date:* July 10, 2012.

**SUMMARY:** This notice reduces the 2012 TPL for Nicaragua to 96,529,059 square meters equivalent to account for the shortfall in meeting the one-to-one commitment for cotton and man-made fiber woven trousers exported from Nicaragua to the United States.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Richard Stetson, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-2582.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Authority:** Annex 3.28 of the CAFTA-DR; Section 1634(a)(2) and (c)(2) of the Pension Protection Act of 2006 (Pub. L. 109-280); Presidential Proclamation 8111 of February 28, 2007.

**Background:** Annex 3.28 of the CAFTA-DR establishes a TPL for non-originating apparel goods of Nicaragua. Section 1634(a)(2) of the Pension Protection Act references the exchange of letters between the United States and Nicaragua, which establishes the one-to-one commitment for cotton and man-made fiber trousers. Section 1634(c)(2) of the Pension Protection Act authorizes the President to proclaim a reduction in the overall limit in the TPL if the President determines that Nicaragua has failed to comply with the one-to-one commitment. In Presidential Proclamation 8111, the President delegated to CITA the authority to determine whether Nicaragua had failed to comply with the one-to-one commitment and to reduce the overall limit in the TPL.

In an exchange of letters dated March 24 and 27, 2006, Nicaragua agreed that for each square meter equivalent (SME) of exports of cotton and man-made fiber woven trousers entered under the TPL, Nicaragua would export to the United States an equal amount of cotton and man-made fiber woven trousers made of U.S. formed fabric of U.S. formed yarn. Any shortfall in meeting this commitment that was not rectified by April 1 of the succeeding year would be

applied against the TPL for the succeeding year. For 2011, the shortfall in meeting the one-to-one commitment is 3,470,941 square meters equivalent. This amount is being deducted from the 2012 TPL, resulting in a new TPL level for 2012 of 96,529,059 square meters equivalent.

**Kim Glas,**

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests; Institute of Education Sciences; Implementation of Title I/II Program Initiatives

**SUMMARY:** This evaluation will examine the implementation of core policies promoted by Title I and Title II at the state district, and school levels in four areas: content standards, assessments, accountability, and effective teachers and leaders.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before September 10, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be electronically mailed to [ICDocketMgr@ed.gov](mailto:ICDocketMgr@ed.gov) or mailed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., LBJ, Washington, DC 20202-4537. Copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 04888. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW., LBJ, Washington, DC 20202-4537. Requests may also be electronically mailed to [ICDocketMgr@ed.gov](mailto:ICDocketMgr@ed.gov) or faxed to 202-401-0920. Please specify the complete title of the information collection and OMB Control Number when making your request.

Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that Federal agencies provide interested parties an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. The

Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Privacy, Information and Records Management Services, Office of Management, publishes this notice containing proposed information collection requests at the beginning of the Departmental review of the information collection. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

**Title of Collection:** Implementation of Title I/II Program Initiatives.

**OMB Control Number:** Pending.

**Type of Review:** New.

**Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses:** 4,107.

**Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours:** 2,191.

**Abstract:** Historically, Title I provides financial assistance to schools and districts with a high percentage of students from low-income families to help these students increase achievement. Title I also includes requirements that states hold schools and districts accountable for improvements in student achievement. Title II provides funds to increase academic achievement by improving teacher and principal quality including educator preparation and professional development, as well as providing funds for class-size reduction. This is the first submission of a request for approval of baseline data collection activities that will be used to support the Implementation of Title I/II Program Initiatives. This package requests approval for an initial data collection that will include surveys of all states and a nationally representative sample of school districts, schools, and Kindergarten through 12th grade teachers in spring 2013. The second package will request approval for the spring 2015 follow-up data collection.

Dated: July 5, 2012.

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