

by *Commissioner of Customs*: February 12, 1996.

*Docket Number*: 96-011. *Applicant*: National Institute of Standards and Technology, I270 & Quince Orchard Road, Gaithersburg, MD 20899-0001. *Instrument*: Laser Tracker, Model SMART 310. *Manufacturer*: Leica Inc., Switzerland. *Intended Use*: The instrument will be used in the application of the metrology discipline criteria to determine the dimensional accuracies of large manufactured parts. *Application Accepted by Commissioner of Customs*: February 12, 1996.

*Docket Number*: 96-012. *Applicant*: University of Albany, SUNY, Department of Geological Sciences, 1400 Washington Avenue, Albany, NY 12222. *Instrument*: Mass Spectrometer, Model OPTIMA. *Manufacturer*: Fisons Instruments, United Kingdom. *Intended Use*: The instrument will be used to accurately analyze large volumes of samples in research which includes climatic and paleoclimatic studies and environmental geochemical studies of near surface processes. It will be used primarily to measure the stable isotopes of oxygen and carbon in carbonate and water samples. In addition, the instrument will be used in laboratory section of a stable isotope geochemistry course for upper-level undergraduate and graduate students. *Application Accepted by Commissioner of Customs*: February 14, 1996.

*Docket Number*: 96-013. *Applicant*: Northern Illinois University, Department of Chemistry, DeKalb, IL 60115-2862. *Instrument*: Diode-Array Detector for Stopped-Flow Spectrometer, Model PDA.1. *Manufacturer*: Applied Photophysics, Ltd., United Kingdom. *Intended Use*: The instrument will be used as an accessory to an existing spectrometer that will be used for the investigation of the chemical reactivity of heme proteins including their reactions with oxidizing agents such as hydrogen peroxide and molecular oxygen, reducing agents such as ferrocycytochrome *c* and Fe(II) and Co(II) complexes, their electron transfer reactions, and their reactions with small ligands such as fluoride, cyanide, azide, and other nitrogen containing materials. The instrument will be used for educational purposes in three research courses: Chemistry 499H - Research, Chemistry 599 - Research, and Chemistry 699 - Doctoral Research Dissertation. *Application Accepted by Commissioner of Customs*: February 14, 1996.

*Docket Number*: 96-014. *Applicant*: Columbia University, Lamont-Doherty Earth Observatory, Rte. 9W, Palisade, NY 10964. *Instrument*: Mass

Spectrometer, Model OPTIMA. *Manufacturer*: Fisons Instruments, United Kingdom. *Intended Use*: The instrument will be used to investigate the stable isotopic composition of oxygen and carbon in naturally-occurring carbonate samples, including coral and shell material. These investigations will involve reconstructing past climatic conditions using the isotopic compositions as indicators of the ambient temperature and water conditions at time of formation. *Application Accepted by Commissioner of Customs*: February 22, 1996.

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*Director, Statutory Import Programs Staff*

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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 Indonesia**

March 15, 1996.

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

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

**EFFECTIVE DATE**: March 20, 1996.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**: Janet Heinzen, 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 or call (202) 927-6704. For information on embargoes and quota re-openings, call (202) 482-3715.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**:

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

The current limits for certain categories are being increased for five percent allowance for traditional folklore products made from handloomed fabrics.

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 60 FR 65299, published on December 19, 1995). Also see 60 FR 62410, published on December 6, 1995.

The letter to the Commissioner of Customs and the actions taken pursuant to it are not designed to implement all of the provisions of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act and the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing, but are designed to assist only in the implementation of certain of their provisions.

Donald R. Foote,

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

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

March 15, 1996.

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 30, 1995, 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 Indonesia and exported during the twelve-month period which began on January 1, 1996 and extends through December 31, 1996.

Effective on March 20, 1996, you are directed to amend the directive dated November 30, 1995 to increase the limits for the following categories, as provided for under the Uruguay Round Agreements Act and the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing:

Category	Adjusted twelve-month limit <sup>1</sup>
Levels in Group I	
334/335 .....	197,205 dozen.
336/636 .....	521,413 dozen.
338/339 .....	1,008,060 dozen.
341 .....	746,675 dozen.
342/642 .....	327,880 dozen.
347/348 .....	1,442,673 dozen.
350/650 .....	143,389 dozen.
351/651 .....	426,244 dozen.
634/635 .....	262,305 dozen.
638/639 .....	1,291,113 dozen.
641 .....	1,999,679 dozen.
647/648 .....	2,859,464 dozen.

<sup>1</sup> The limits have not been adjusted to account for any imports exported after December 31, 1995.

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,

Donald R. Foote,

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

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

March 15, 1996.

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

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

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** March 20, 1996.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Janet Heinzen, 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 or call (202) 927-6713. For information on embargoes and quota re-openings, call (202) 482-3715.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

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

The current limits for certain categories are being adjusted, variously, for swing, special shift and 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 60 FR 65299, published on December 19, 1995). Also see 60 FR 62412, published on December 7, 1995.

The letter to the Commissioner of Customs and the actions taken pursuant to it are not designed to implement all of the provisions of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act and the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing, but are designed to assist only in the

implementation of certain of their provisions.

Donald R. Foote,

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

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

March 15, 1996.

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 30, 1995, 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 beginning on January 1, 1996 and extending through December 31, 1996.

Effective on March 20, 1996, you are directed to adjust the limits for the following categories, as provided for under the Uruguay Round Agreements Act and the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing:

Category	Adjusted limit <sup>1</sup>
Levels in Group I	
338/339 .....	2,435,724 dozen.
342/642 .....	554,839 dozen.
350 .....	74,760 dozen.
351/651 .....	628,673 dozen.
369-S <sup>2</sup> .....	211,948 kilograms.
638/639 .....	1,747,658 dozen.
645/646 .....	612,130 dozen.

<sup>1</sup> The limits have not been adjusted to account for any imports exported after December 31, 1995.

<sup>2</sup> Category 369-S: only HTS number 6307.10.2005.

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,  
Donald R. Foote,

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

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**COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION**

**New York Futures Exchange; Applications for Designation as a Contract Market in Options on the British Pound, Deutsche Mark, Japanese Yen, and Swiss Franc Futures Contracts**

**AGENCY:** Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of the terms and conditions of a proposed commodity option contract.

**SUMMARY:** The New York Futures Exchange (NYFE or Exchange) has applied for designation as a contract market in options on its British Pound, Deutsche Mark, Japanese Yen, and Swiss Franc futures contracts. The Acting Director of the Division of Economic Analysis (Division) of the Commission, acting pursuant to the authority delegated by Commission Regulation 140.96, has determined that publication of the proposals for comment is in the public interest, will assist the Commission in considering the views of interested persons, and is consistent with the purposes of the Commodity Exchange Act.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before April 22, 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons should submit their views and comments to Jean A. Webb, Secretary, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st St., NW, Washington, DC 20581. Reference should be made to the NYFE British Pound, Deutsche Mark, Japanese Yen, and Swiss Franc futures option contracts.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Please contact Stephen Sherrord of the Division of Economic Analysis, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st St., NW, Washington, DC 20581; telephone (202) 418-5277.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Copies of the terms and conditions will be available for inspection at the Office of the Secretariat, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st St., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20581. Copies of the terms and conditions can be obtained through the Office of the Secretariat by mail at the above address or by phone at (202) 418-5097.

Other materials submitted by the NYFE may be available upon request pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552) and the Commission's regulations thereunder (17 CFR Part 145 (1987)), except to the extent they are entitled to confidential treatment as set forth in 17 CFR 145.5 and 145.9. Requests for copies of such materials should be made to the FOI, Privacy and Sunshine Act Compliance Staff of the Office of the Secretariat at the Commission's headquarters in accordance with 17 CFR 145.7 and 145.8.

Any person interested in submitting written data, views, or arguments on the