

(202) 690-0673. The fax number is (202) 720-0596.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the Commission is to gather and evaluate background information, studies, and data pertinent to small farms and ranches, including limited-resource farmers. On the basis of the review, the Commission shall analyze all relevant issues and make findings, develop strategies, and make recommendations for consideration by the Secretary of Agriculture toward a national strategy on small farms. The national strategy shall include, but not be limited to: changes in existing policies, programs, regulations, training, and program delivery and outreach systems; approaches that assist beginning farmers and involve the private sectors and government, including assurances that the needs of minorities, women, and persons with disabilities are addressed; areas where new partnerships and collaborations are needed; and other approaches that it would deem advisable or which the Secretary of Agriculture or the Chief of the Natural Resources Conservation Service may request the Commission to consider.

The Secretary of Agriculture has determined that the work of the Commission is in the public interest and within the duties and responsibilities of USDA. Establishment of the Commission also implements a recommendation of the USDA Civil Rights Action Report to appoint a diverse commission to develop a national policy on small farms.

Dated: August 1, 1997.

Pearlie S. Reed,

Acting Assistant Secretary for Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Florida State University, et al.; Notice of Consolidated Decision on Applications for Duty-Free Entry of Scientific Instruments

This is a decision consolidated pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Materials Importation Act of 1966 (Pub. L. 89-651, 80 Stat. 897; 15 CFR part 301). Related records can be viewed between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. in Room 4211, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C.

Comments: None received. *Decision:* Approved. No instrument of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instruments described below, for such purposes as each is intended to be used, is being manufactured in the United States.

Docket Number: 97-038. *Applicant:* Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL 32310. *Instrument:* EPR W-Band System, Model ELEXSYS.

Manufacturer: Bruker Instruments, Germany. *Intended Use:* See notice at 62 FR 32296, June 13, 1997. *Reasons:* The foreign instrument provides operation at a frequency of 95 GHz for maximal sensitivity and precise control of temperature over the range of 4-300 degrees Kelvin. *Advice received from:* National Institutes of Health, June 26, 1997.

Docket Number: 97-041. *Applicant:* University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC 27599-7310.

Instrument: Graphite Aerosol Generator, Model GFG-1000. *Manufacturer:* Palas GmbH, Germany. *Intended Use:* See notice at 62 FR 32766, June 17, 1997.

Reasons: The foreign instrument provides uniform particle agglomerates that are similar to natural soot particles with a size less than 0.1 μm . *Advice received from:* National Institutes of Health, June 26, 1997.

The National Institutes of Health advises in its memoranda that (1) the capabilities of each of the foreign instruments described above are pertinent to each applicant's intended purpose and (2) it knows of no domestic instrument or apparatus of equivalent scientific value for the intended use of each instrument.

We know of no other instrument or apparatus being manufactured in the United States which is of equivalent scientific value to either of the foreign instruments.

Frank W. Creel,

Director, Statutory Import Programs Staff.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

University of Oklahoma, Notice of Decision on Applications for Duty-free Entry of Scientific Instruments

This is a decision pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Materials Importation Act of 1966 (Pub. L. 89-651, 80 Stat. 897; 15 CFR part 301). Related records can be viewed between 8:30 AM and 5:00 PM in Room 4211, U.S. Department of

Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C.

Decision: Denied. Applicant has failed to establish that domestic instruments of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instrument for the intended purposes are not available.

Reasons: Section 301.5(e)(4) of the regulations requires the denial of applications that have been denied without prejudice to resubmission if they are not resubmitted within the specified time period. This is the case for the following docket.

Docket Number: 96-094. *Applicant:* University of Oklahoma, Purchasing Department, 660 Parrington Oval, Room 321, Norman, OK 73019. *Instrument:* Eye Movement Measuring Device. *Manufacturer:* Dr. Bouis, Germany. *Date of Denial without Prejudice to Resubmission:* April 14, 1997.

Frank W. Creel,

Director, Statutory Import Programs Staff.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Applications for Duty-Free Entry of Scientific Instruments

Pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Educational, Scientific and Cultural Materials Importation Act of 1966 (Pub. L. 89-651; 80 Stat. 897; 15 CFR part 301), we invite comments on the question of whether instruments of equivalent scientific value, for the purposes for which the instruments shown below are intended to be used, are being manufactured in the United States.

Comments must comply with 15 CFR 301.5(a)(3) and (4) of the regulations and be filed within 20 days with the Statutory Import Programs Staff, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, D.C. 20230. Applications may be examined between 8:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. in Room 4211, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C.

Docket Number: 97-059. *Applicant:* University of Connecticut, School of Pharmacy, 372 Fairfield Road, Storrs, CT 06269-2092. *Instrument:* Interfacial Rheometer, Model CIR-100.

Manufacturer: Camtel Ltd., United Kingdom. *Intended Use:* The instrument will be used to investigate the interfacial rheology of proteins, surfactants and other surface active agents and determine their film strength. These investigations will be conducted in order (1) to obtain a clear understanding

of the role of interfacial rheology in emulsion and microcapsule stability and protein denaturation; (2) to determine conditions and identify substances that will result in the formation of more stable emulsions and microcapsules; and (3) to identify conditions that result in protein denaturation, molecular unfolding, competition between molecules for the interfacial space and conditions that protect against protein denaturation. *Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: July 10, 1997.*

Docket Number: 97-061. Applicant: Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, 360 Woods Hole Road, Woods Hole, MA 02543. Instrument: IR Mass Spectrometer, Model DELTA^{plus}. Manufacturer: Finnigan, Germany. Intended Use: The instrument will be used to study the production of organic material by marine algae, the consumption of that material within the oceanic water column and the fate of the residual organic matter arriving at the seafloor. Specifically, the instrument will be used to measure the abundances of the stable isotopes of carbon, nitrogen, oxygen and hydrogen. Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: July 16, 1997.

Docket Number: 97-063. Applicant: University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Purchasing Division, 506 South Wright Street, 207 Henry Administration Building, Urbana, IL 61801. Instrument: (2) Gas Composition Analyzers, Model Epison III. Manufacturer: Thomas Swan & Co. Ltd., United Kingdom. Intended Use: The instrument will be used to study the electronic and optical properties of Indium-containing semiconductor compounds and their use in microelectronic and optoelectron devices. Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: July 16, 1997.

Frank W. Creel,

Director, Statutory Import Programs Staff.
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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Adjustment of Import Limits and Charges for Certain Cotton, Wool and Man-Made Fiber Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Korea

July 31, 1997.

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

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs Adjusting Limits and Charges.

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 6, 1997.

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 these limits, refer to the Quota Status Reports posted on the bulletin boards of each Customs port or call (202) 927-5850. 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); Uruguay Round Agreements Act.

The current limit for Category 336 is being increased for swing, special swing, carryover and carryforward. The current limit for category 619/620 is being further reduced for carryforward used in 1996.

In accordance with the special swing provision contained in the exchange of notes dated April 2 and April 8, 1997 between the Governments of the United States and Korea, 162,553 square meters equivalent shall be charged to the current Group II limit.

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 61 FR 66263, published on December 17, 1996). Also see 61 FR 59087, published on November 20, 1996.

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.

Troy H. Cribb,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

July 31, 1997.

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 14, 1996, 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 Korea and exported during the period which began on January 1, 1997 and extends through December 31, 1997.

Effective on August 6, 1997, 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 twelve-month limit ¹
Level in Group I 619/620	92,151,598 square meters.
Level in Group II 336	66,621 dozen.

¹ The limits have not been adjusted to account for any imports exported after December 31, 1996.

Effective on August 6, 1997, you are also directed to charge 162,553 square meters equivalent to the limit established for Group II for the period January 1 through December 31, 1997.

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,

Troy H. Cribb,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

AGENCY: Department of Education.

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Director, Information Resources Management Group, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before October 6, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and requests for copies of the proposed information collection requests should be addressed to Patrick J. Sherrill, Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, S.W., Room 5624, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Patrick J. Sherrill (202) 708-8196.

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