

embargoes and quota re-openings, call (202) 482-3715.

#### 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 limits for certain categories are being adjusted, variously, for swing, carryforward, special shift, and 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 62 FR 66057, published on December 17, 1997). Also see 62 FR 63526, published on December 1, 1997.

**Troy H. Cribb,**

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

#### Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

April 6, 1998.

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 25, 1997, 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 Romania and exported during the twelve-month period beginning on January 1, 1998 and extending through December 31, 1998.

Effective on April 14, 1998, you are directed to adjust the current limits for the following categories, as provided for under the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing:

Category	Adjusted twelve-month limit <sup>1</sup>
315 .....	3,266,555 square meters.
410 .....	70,641 square meters.
433/434 .....	11,719 dozen.
435 .....	11,261 dozen.
442 .....	14,542 dozen.
443 .....	93,566 numbers.
444 .....	50,784 numbers.
447/448 .....	29,627 dozen.
647 .....	104,972 dozen.
648 .....	82,338 dozen.

<sup>1</sup> The limits have not been adjusted to account for any imports exported after 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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#### COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

#### Request for Public Comments on a Request that the United States Consult with Mexico and Canada Concerning Short Supply of Certain Polyester Filament Yarns

April 6, 1998.

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

**ACTION:** Request for public comments concerning a request for consultations on certain polyester filament yarns.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Lori Mennitt, International Trade Specialist, 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.

The purpose of this notice is to advise the public that CITA has been petitioned to initiate consultations with Mexico and Canada under Section 7(2) of Annex 300-B of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) for the purpose of amending the NAFTA rules of origin for HTS subheading 6002.43 and the subheadings in chapter 61 to allow the use of certain non-North American polyester filament yarns, described below, which are classified in HTS subheadings 5402.33, 5402.43 and 5402.52, in NAFTA originating goods.

Denier (Decitex)	Filament count	Cross section	Luster	Luster	Luster
175 (83.3)	72	Round	Semi dull		
75 (83.3)	72	Trilobal	Semi dull		
75 (83.3)	36	Round	Semi dull	Bright	Dull
75 (83.3)	36	Trilobal	Semi dull	Bright	Dull
75 (83.3)	36	Octolobal	Semi dull	Bright	Dull
40 (44.4)	12	Round	Semi dull	Bright	Dull
40 (44.4)	12	Trilobal	Semi dull	Bright	Dull
40 (44.4)	12	Octolobal	Semi dull	Bright	Dull
40 (44.4)	24	Round	Semi dull	Bright	Dull
40 (44.4)	24	Trilobal	Semi dull	Bright	Dull
40 (44.4)	24	Octolobal	Semi dull	Bright	Dull
40 (44.4)	30	Round	Semi dull	Bright	Dull
40 (44.4)	30	Trilobal	Semi dull	Bright	Dull
40 (44.4)	30	Octolobal	Semi dull	Bright	Dull
40 (44.4)	36	Round	Semi dull	Bright	Dull
40 (44.4)	36	Trilobal	Semi dull	Bright	Dull
40 (44.4)	36	Octolobal	Semi dull	Bright	Dull
50 (55.6)	24	Round	Semi dull	Bright	Dull
50 (55.6)	24	Trilobal	Semi dull	Bright	Dull

Denier (Decitex)	Filament count	Cross section	Luster	Luster	Luster
50 (55.6)	36	Round	Semi dull	Bright	Dull
50 (55.6)	36	Trilobal	Semi dull	Bright	Dull
50 (55.56)	36	Octolobal	Semi dull	Bright	Dull
21textured (23.3)	1	Round	Semi dull		
20 (22.2)	1	Round	Semi dull		
45 (50.0)	20	Round			Dull

<sup>1</sup> In both flat (non-textured) and textured forms. Unless otherwise noted, all above-listed yarns are flat.

There will be a 30-day comment period beginning on April 10, 1998 and extending through May 11, 1998..

Anyone wishing to comment or provide data or information regarding domestic production or availability of the listed polyester filament yarns classified in HTS subheadings 5402.33, 5402.43 and 5402.52 is invited to submit 10 copies of such comments or information to Troy H. Cribb, Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230; ATTN: Helen L. LeGrande.

Comments or information submitted in response to this notice will be available for public inspection in the Office of Textiles and Apparel, room H3100, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC.

The solicitation of comments is not a waiver in any respect of the exemption contained in 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1) relating to matters which constitute "a foreign affairs function of the United States."

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 62 FR 66057, published on December 17, 1997).

**Troy H. Cribb,**

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

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## COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

### Application of Cantor Financial Futures Exchange, Inc., as a Contract Market in US Treasury Bond, Ten-Year Note, Five-Year Note, and Two-Year Note Futures Contracts

**AGENCY:** Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

**ACTION:** Extension of comment period on notice of application of Cantor Financial

Futures Exchange, Inc., for initial designation as a contract market.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before April 27, 1998.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** With respect to questions about the terms and conditions of the proposed futures contracts, please contact Thomas M. Leahy of the Division of Economic Analysis, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, at Three Lafayette Centre, 21st Street NW, Washington, DC 20581; Telephone: (202) 418-5278; Facsimile number: (202) 418-5527; or Electronic mail: tleahy@cftc.gov. With respect to questions about the trading rules and rules of government, please contact Adam E. Wernow, Division of Trading and Markets, at the same address; Telephone: (202) 418-5042; Facsimile number: (202) 418-5536; or Electronic mail: awernow@cftc.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Cantor Financial Futures Exchange, Inc. ("CFFE") has applied for designation as a contract market for the computer-based trading of US Treasury bond, ten-year note, five-year note, and two-year note futures contracts. CFFE has not previously been approved by the Commission as a contract market in any commodity, thus, in addition to the terms and conditions of the proposed futures and options contracts, CFFE has also submitted proposed trading rules, rules of government, and other materials to meet the requirements for a board of trade seeking initial designation as a contract market. Notice of CFFE's application was initially published under delegated authority for public comment on February 3, 1998 (63 FR 5505), for a 60-day comment period ending April 6, 1998. Acting pursuant to the authority delegated by Commission Regulation 140.96, the Division of Trading and Markets and the Division of Economic Analysis ("Division") have determined to extend until April 27, 1998 the deadline for comments on the notice of application of CFFE to be designated as first-time contract market. The Divisions believe that extension of the deadline 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. The Divisions seek comment regarding all aspects of CFFE's application and addressing any issues commenters believe the Commission should consider. Any request for a further extension of the public comment period will be looked upon with disfavor.

Any person interested in submitting written data, views, or arguments on the proposal to designate CFFE should submit their views and comments by the specified date to Jean A. Webb, Secretary, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street, NW, Washington, DC 20581. In addition, comments may be sent by facsimile transmission to facsimile number (202) 418-5521, or by electronic mail to secretary@cftc.gov. Reference should be made to the CFFE application for designation as a computer-based contract market for US Treasury bond, ten-year note, five-year note, and two-year note futures contracts. Copies of the proposed terms and conditions, Exchange rules, compliance procedures, clearing and settlement description, and other related materials are available for inspection at the Office of the Secretariat at the above address. Copies also may be obtained through the Office of the Secretariat at the above address or by telephoning (202) 418-5100. Some materials may be subject to confidential treatment pursuant to 17 CFR 145.5 or 145.9. Requests or 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 headquarters in accordance with 17 CFR 145.7 and 145.8.

Issued in Washington, D.C., on April 6, 1998.

**Steven Manaster,**

*Director, Division of Economic Analysis.*

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