

of Textile Agreements. That directive concerns imports of certain cotton, wool and man-made fiber textile products, produced or manufactured in Singapore and exported during the twelve-month period which began on January 1, 1998 and extends through December 31, 1998.

Effective on October 30, 1998, you are directed to adjust the sublimits for the following categories, as provided for under the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing:

Category	Adjusted twelve-month limit ¹
347/348	1,244,440 dozen of which not more than 777,774 dozen shall be in Category 347 and not more than 604,936 dozen shall be in Category 348.

¹ 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 to 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

Announcement of Import Restraint Limits for Certain Cotton, Wool, Man-Made Fiber, Silk Blend and Other Vegetable Fiber Textiles and Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Thailand

October 27, 1998.

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

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 1999.

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, call (202) 927-5850, or refer to the U.S. Customs website at <http://www.customs.ustreas.gov>. For information on embargoes and quota re-openings, call (202) 482-3715.

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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 import restraint limits for textile products, produced or manufactured in Thailand and exported during the period January 1, 1999 through December 31, 1999 are based on limits notified to the Textiles Monitoring Body pursuant to the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (ATC).

In the letter published below, the Chairman of CITA directs the Commissioner of Customs to establish the 1999 limits.

Effective on January 1, 1999, a visa will no longer be required for products integrated in the second stage of the integration of textiles and clothing into GATT 1994 from WTO member countries (see 63 FR 53881, published on October 7, 1998). A visa will continue to be required for non-integrated products. For quota purposes only, products remaining in categories partially integrated will continue to be designated by the designator "pt."

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). Information regarding the 1999 CORRELATION will be published in the **Federal Register** at a later date.

Troy H. Cribb,
Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

October 27, 1998.

Commissioner of Customs,
Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20229.

Dear Commissioner: Pursuant to section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854); Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended, and the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (ATC), you are directed to prohibit, effective on January 1, 1999, entry into the United States for consumption and withdrawal from warehouse for consumption of cotton, wool, man-made fiber, silk blend and other vegetable fiber textiles and textile products in the following categories, produced or manufactured in Thailand and exported during the twelve-month period beginning on January 1, 1999 and extending through December 31, 1999, in excess of the following limits:

Category	Twelve-month restraint limit
239pt. ¹	1,978,854 kilograms.
Levels in Group I	
200	1,291,522 kilograms.
218	20,433,505 square meters.
219	6,888,123 square meters.
300	5,166,093 kilograms.
301-P ²	5,166,093 kilograms.
301-O ³	1,033,220 kilograms.
313-O ⁴	24,108,430 square meters.
314-O ⁵	55,104,980 square meters.
315-O ⁶	34,440,612 square meters.
317-O/326-O ⁷	14,458,502 square meters.
363	22,386,398 numbers.
369-D ⁸	246,251 kilograms.
369-S ⁹	344,406 kilograms.
603	2,366,980 kilograms.
604	805,793 kilograms of which not more than 516,609 kilograms shall be in Category 604-A ¹⁰ .
607	3,444,059 kilograms.
611-O ¹¹	13,172,735 square meters.
613/614/615	52,050,604 square meters of which not more than 30,307,739 square meters shall be in Categories 613/615 and not more than 30,307,739 square meters shall be in Category 614.
617	18,796,051 square meters.
619	7,749,137 square meters.
620	7,749,137 square meters.
625/626/627/628/629	15,181,426 square meters of which not more than 12,054,214 square meters shall be in Category 625.
669-P ¹²	7,263,806 kilograms.
Group II	
237, 331-348, 350-352, 359-H ¹³ , 359pt. ¹⁴ , 431, 433-438, 440, 442-448, 459pt. ¹⁵ , 631, 633-652, 659-H ¹⁶ , 659pt. ¹⁷ , 831, 833-838, 840-858 and 859pt. ¹⁸ , as a group.	
Sublevels in Group II	
331/631	1,879,793 dozen pairs.
334/634	671,592 dozen.
335/635/835	533,829 dozen.
336/636	344,406 dozen.
338/339	2,019,727 dozen.
340	309,966 dozen.

Category	Twelve-month restraint limit
341/641	731,863 dozen.
342/642	637,152 dozen.
345	327,186 dozen.
347/348/847	899,760 dozen.
351/651	258,304 dozen.
359-H/659-H	1,510,937 kilograms.
433	9,782 dozen.
434	12,075 dozen.
435	54,869 dozen.
438	18,112 dozen.
442	21,033 dozen.
638/639	2,380,393 dozen.
640	568,269 dozen.
645/646	344,406 dozen.
647/648	1,226,086 dozen.

¹Category 239pt.: only HTS number 6209.20.5040 (diapers).

²Category 301-P: only HTS numbers 5206.21.0000, 5206.22.0000, 5206.23.0000, 5206.24.0000, 5206.25.0000, 5206.41.0000, 5206.42.0000, 5206.43.0000, 5206.44.0000 and 5206.45.0000.

³Category 301-O: only HTS numbers 5205.21.0020, 5205.21.0090, 5205.22.0020, 5205.22.0090, 5205.23.0020, 5205.23.0090, 5205.24.0020, 5205.24.0090, 5205.26.0020, 5205.26.0090, 5205.27.0020, 5205.27.0090, 5205.28.0020, 5205.28.0090, 5205.41.0020, 5205.41.0090, 5205.42.0020, 5205.42.0090, 5205.43.0020, 5205.43.0090, 5205.44.0020, 5205.44.0090, 5205.46.0020, 5205.46.0090, 5205.47.0020, 5205.47.0090, 5205.48.0020 and 5205.48.0090.

⁴Category 313-O: all HTS numbers except 5208.52.3035, 5208.52.4035 and 5209.51.6032.

⁵Category 314-O: all HTS numbers except 5209.51.6015.

⁶Category 315-O: all HTS numbers except 5208.52.4055.

⁷Category 317-O: all HTS numbers except 5208.59.2085; Category 326-O: all HTS numbers except 5208.59.2015, 5209.59.0015 and 5211.59.0015.

⁸Category 369-D: only HTS numbers 6302.60.0010, 6302.91.0005 and 6302.91.0045.

⁹Category 369-S: only HTS number 6307.10.2005.

¹⁰Category 604-A: only HTS number 5509.32.0000.

¹¹Category 611-O: all HTS numbers except 5516.14.0005, 5516.14.0025 and 5516.14.0085.

¹²Category 669-P: only HTS numbers 6305.32.0010, 6305.32.0020, 6305.33.0010, 6305.33.0020 and 6305.39.0000.

¹³Category 359-H: only HTS numbers 6505.90.1540 and 6505.90.2060.

¹⁴Category 359pt.: all HTS numbers except 6505.90.1540, 6505.90.2060 (Category 359-H); and 6406.99.1550.

¹⁵Category 459pt.: all HTS numbers except 6405.20.6030, 6405.20.6060, 6405.20.6090, 6406.99.1505 and 6406.99.1560.

¹⁶Category 659-H: only HTS numbers 6502.00.9030, 6504.00.9015, 6504.00.9060, 6505.90.5090, 6505.90.6090, 6505.90.7090 and 6505.90.8090.

¹⁷Category 659pt.: all HTS numbers except 6502.00.9030, 6504.00.9015, 6504.00.9060, 6505.90.5090, 6505.90.6090, 6505.90.7090, 6505.90.8090 (Category 659-H); 6406.99.1510 and 6406.99.1540.

¹⁸Category 859pt.: only HTS numbers 6115.19.8040, 6117.10.6020, 6212.10.5030, 6212.10.9040, 6212.20.0030, 6212.30.0030, 6212.90.0090, 6214.10.2000 and 6214.90.0090.

The limits set forth above are subject to adjustment pursuant to the provisions of the ATC and administrative arrangements notified to the Textiles Monitoring Body.

Products in the above categories exported during 1998 shall be charged to the applicable category limits for that year (see directives dated December 5, 1997) to the extent of any unfilled balances. In the event the limits established for that period have been exhausted by previous entries, such products shall be charged to the limits set forth in this directive.

The conversion factors for merged Categories 359-H/659-H and 638/639 are 11.5 and 12.96, respectively.

Effective on January 1, 1999, a visa will no longer be required for products integrated in the second stage of the integration of textiles and clothing into GATT 1994 from WTO member countries (see directive dated September 30, 1998). A visa will continue to be required for non-integrated products. For quota purposes only, products remaining in categories partially integrated will continue to be designated by the designator "pt."

In carrying out the above directions, the Commissioner of Customs should construe entry into the United States for consumption to include entry for consumption into the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

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

Denial of Participation in the Special Access Program

October 27, 1998.

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

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs suspending participation in the Special Access Program.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 26, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lori E. 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 Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

(CITA) has determined that H.H. Cutler has violated the requirements for participation in the Special Access Program, and has suspended H.H. Cutler from participation in the Program for the period beginning October 26, 1998 and ending January 25, 1999.

Through the letter to the Commissioner of Customs published below, CITA directs the Commissioner to prohibit entry of products under the Special Access Program by or on behalf of H.H. Cutler during the period October 26, 1998 through January 25, 1999, and to prohibit entry by or on behalf of H.H. Cutler under the Program of products manufactured from fabric exported from the United States during that period.

Requirements for participation in the Special Access Program are available in **Federal Register** notice 63 FR 16474, published on April 3, 1998.

Troy H. Cribb,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

October 27, 1998.

Commissioner of Customs,
Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20229.

Dear Commissioner: The purpose of this directive is to notify you that the Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has suspended H.H. Cutler from participation in the Special Access Program for the period October 26, 1998 through January 25, 1999. You are therefore directed to prohibit entry of products under the Special Access Program by or on behalf of H.H. Cutler during the period October 26, 1998 through January 25, 1999. You are further directed to prohibit entry of products under the Special Access Program by or on behalf of H.H. Cutler manufactured from fabric exported from the United States during the period October 26, 1998 through January 25, 1999.

Sincerely,

Troy H. Cribb,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice.

The Department of Defense has submitted to OMB for clearance, the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).