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 reopenings, 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 increased for carryover and recrediting of unused 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 63 FR 71096, published on December 23, 1998). Also see 63 FR 60308, published on November 9, 1998.

Troy H. Cribb,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

June 11, 1999.

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 3, 1998, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. That directive concerns imports of certain cotton, manmade fiber, silk blend and other vegetable fiber textile products, produced or manufactured in the United Arab Emirates and exported during the twelve-month period which began on January 1, 1999 and extends through December 31, 1999.

Effective on June 21, 1999, you are directed to increase the limits for the following categories, as provided for under the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing:

Category	Adjusted twelve-month limit 1
219	1,515,614 square me- ters.
226/313	2,591,737 square mters
317	41,809,984 square meters.
326	2,446,604 square me- ters.
334/634	263,062 dozen.
335/635/835	203,419 dozen.

Category	Adjusted twelve-month limit 1
338/339	763,959 dozen of which not more than 458,833 dozen shall be in Categories 338–S/339–S ² .
341/641	414,722 dozen.
342/642	329,472 dozen.
347/348	483,264 dozen of which not more than 255,636 dozen shall be in Categories 347–T/348–T ³ .
351/651	202,404 dozen.
352	436,549 dozen.
369-S ⁴	113,523 kilograms.
369–O 5	790,793 kilograms.
638/639	308,877 dozen.
847	277,991 dozen.

¹The limits have not been adjusted to account for any imports exported after December 31, 1998.

numbers 338-S: 338–S: only HTS numbers 6105.10.0010, 6105.10.0030, ² Category 6103.22.0050, 6105.90.8010, 6109.10.0027, 6110.20.1025, 6110.20.2040, 6110.20.2065, 6110.90.9068, and 6114.20.0005; Category 6112.11.0030 339-S: only 6104.29.2049, HTS numbers 6104.22.0060, 6106.10.0010, 6106.10.0030, 6106.90.2510, 6106.90.3010, 6109.10.0070, 6110.20.1030, 6110.20.2045, 6110.20.2075, 6110.90.9070, 6112.11.0040, 6114.20.0010 and 6117.90.9020.

³ Category 6103.19.2015, 347-T: 347–T: only 6103.19.9020. HTS numbers 6103.22.0030. 6103.42.1040, 6113.00.9038, 6103.42.1020, 6112.11.0050, 6103.49.8010, 6203.19.1020 6203.42.4005, 6203.19.9020. 6203.22.3020 6203.42.4010, 6203.42.4035, 6203.42.4025 6203.42.4015, 6203.42.4045 6203.49.8020, 6210.40.9033. 6211.20.1520 6211.20.3810 and 6211.32.0040; Category 348-T: only HTS numbers 6 6104.22.0040, 6104.12.0030, 6104.19,8030. 6104.29.2034. 6104.62.2006, 6104.62.2011, 6104.62.2026, 6104.62.2028 6104.69.8022 6112.11.0060, 6113.00.9042 6117.90.9060, 6204.12.0030, 6204.19.8030, 6204.22.3040, 6204.29.4034, 6204.62.3000, 6204.62.4005, 6204.62.4010, 6204.62.4020 6204.62.4030, 6204.62.4040, 6204.62.4050, 6204.69.6010, 6204.69.9010. 6210.50.9060, 6211.20.1550. 6211.20.6810, 6211.42.0030 and 6217.90.9050.

⁴Category 369–S: only HTS number 6307.10.2005.

⁵Category 369–O: all HTS numbers except 6307.10.2005 (Category 369-S); 5701.90.1020, 5601.21.0090, 5601.10.1000, 5701.90.2020, 5702.10.9020, 5702.39.2010, 5702.49.1020, 5702.49.1080, 5702.59.1000, 5702.99.1010, 5702.99.1090, 5705.00.2020 and 6406.10.7700.

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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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

Meeting of the Chief of Naval Operations (CNO) Executive Panel

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DOD. **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: The CNO Executive Panel is meeting to conduct the final briefing of the Pacific Strategy Task Force to the Chief of Naval Operations. This meeting will consist of discussions relating to proposed Navy 21st Century strategy for the Pacific Rim.

DATES: The meeting will be held on June 30, 1999 from 11:00 a.m. to noon.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the office of the Chief of Naval Operations, 2000 Navy Pentagon, Washington, DC 20350–2000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Commander Christopher Agan, CNO Executive Panel, 4401 Ford Avenue, Suite 601, Alexandria, Virginia 22302– 0268, (703) 681–6205.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. 2), these matters constitute classified information that is specifically authorized by Executive Order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense and are, in fact, properly classified pursuant to such Executive Order. Accordingly, the Secretary of the Navy has determined in writing that the public interest requires that all sessions of the meeting be closed to the public because they will be concerned with matters listed in section 552b(c)(1) of title 5, United States Code.

Dated: May 26, 1999.

Ralph W. Corey,

Commander, Judge Advocate General's Corps, Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer. [FR Doc. 99–15427 Filed 6–16–99; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3810–FF–P

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[CFDA No: 84.200]

Office of Postsecondary Education, Graduate Assistance in Areas of National Need Program; Notice of Technical Assistance Workshop for Fiscal Year (FY) 2000 Grant Applications

SUMMARY: The Secretary announces a technical assistance workshop to assist institutions of higher education in preparing grant applications for the Graduate Assistance in Areas of National Need (GAANN) Program for

the FY 2000 grant competition. For further information on the GAANN Program please refer to Title VII, Part A, Subpart 2 of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended, and 34 CFR Part 648. This information is also located at the Department of Education's website at: http://www.ed.gov/offices/OPE/HEP/iegps.

DATES: The technical assistance workshop will be held in the Denver metropolitan area from Sunday, July 18, 1999, through Tuesday, July 20, 1999. ADDRESSES: The workshop will be held at the Doubletree Hotel, 13696 East Iliff Place, Aurora, Colorado.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cosette Ryan, GAANN Program, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Portals Building, Suite 600, Washington, DC 20202–5247. Inquiries may be sent by email to cosette_ryan@ed.gov or by Fax to (202) 205–9489. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1–800–877–8339.

Individuals with disabilities may obtain this document in an alternate format (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, or computer diskette) on request to the contact person listed in the preceding paragraph.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The workshop is free to the public. If you attend the workshop, you must pay your own travel and hotel accommodations.

The workshop agenda is as follows:

Registration: 9:00 a.m-3:00 p.m., Sunday, July 18, 1999

Orientation: 3:00 p.m.–5:00 p.m., Sunday, July 18, 1999

Workshop sessions: 9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Monday, July 19, 1999

Workshop sessions: 9:00 a.m.–noon, Tuesday, July 20, 1999

To make reservations for either the workshop or hotel accommodations at the Doubletree Hotel, please contact Marta Quintana or Brien Dunlaney via the Internet at *marta@apimeetings.com* or *brien@apimeetings.com*. You may also reach them by telephone at (410) 884–9371 or by FAX at (410) 884–9374.

Assistance to Individuals with Disabilities at the Technical Assistance Workshop: The technical assistance workshop sites are accessible to individuals with disabilities. If you will need an auxiliary aid or service to participate in the workshop (e.g., interpreting service, assistive listening device, or materials in an alternate format), notify the contact person listed in this notice at least two weeks before the scheduled workshop date. Although we will attempt to meet a request we

receive after that date, we may not be able to make available the requested auxiliary aid or service because of insufficient time to arrange it.

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http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/index.html **Program Authority:** 20 U.S.C. 1135–1135ee.

Dated: June 14, 1999.

David A. Longanecker,

Assistant Secretary, Office of Postsecondary Education.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Science

Office of Science Financial Assistance Program Notice 99–21; Department of Energy Experimental Program To Stimulate Competitive Research (DOE/ EPSCOR)

AGENCY: U.S. Department of Energy. **ACTION:** Notice inviting research applications.

SUMMARY: The Office of Basic Energy Sciences (BES) of the Office of Science (SC), U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), in keeping with its energy-related mission to assist in strengthening the Nation's scientific research enterprise through the support of science, engineering, and mathematics, announces its interest in receiving applications from eligible States for the support of the DOE/EPSCoR Program. The purpose of the DOE/EPSCoR Program is to enhance the capabilities of designated States to conduct nationallycompetitive energy-related research and to develop science and engineering

manpower in energy-related areas to meet current and future needs.

DATES: The deadline for receipt of formal applications is 4:30 p.m. E.S.T., December 1, 1999, in order to be accepted for merit review and to permit timely consideration for award in Fiscal Year 2000.

ADDRESSES: Formal applications referencing Program Notice 99–21, must be submitted to U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Science, Grants and Contracts Division, SC–64, 19901 Germantown Road, Germantown, MD 20874–1290, ATTN: Program Notice 99–21. This address must also be used when submitting applications by U.S. Postal Service Express, any commercial mail delivery service, or when hand carried by the applicant.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For general questions concerning this Notice and the DOE/EPSCoR program, contact the following individual: Dr. Matesh N. Varma, DOE/EPSCoR Program Manager, Office of Basic Energy Sciences, SC–132, U.S. Department of Energy, 19901 Germantown Road, Germantown, MD 20874–1290, telephone: (301) 903–3209, e-mail:

(matesh.varma@science.doe.gov).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: To continue to enhance the competitiveness of states and territories identified for participation in the Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR) by the National Science Foundation (NSF) DOE has decided to again restrict eligibility to the following states and territory: Alabama, Arkansas, Idaho, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Mississippi, Montana, Nebraska, Nevada, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Carolina, South Dakota, Vermont, West Virginia, Wyoming, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

An appropriate fiscal agent, acting on behalf of a state's EPSCoR Committee. may submit only one application in response to this program notice. It is the DOE/EPSCoR program policy to limit the Research Implementation awards to one active award per state. Therefore, only those EPSCoR states that have: (1) Not received a previous DOE/EPSCoR Research Implementation award, (2) "graduated" their previously supported Research Implementation award research clusters or (3) received final funding for their Research Implementation award in FY 1999, are eligible to apply for FY 2000 funding.

Awards issued under this Notice will provide funding for state program coordination, human resource development activities, and research, including a balanced portfolio of