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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Adjustment of Import Limits for Certain Cotton and Wool Textiles and Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Romania

March 4, 2003.

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

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 7, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Naomi Freeman, 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.gov>. For information on embargoes and quota re-openings, refer to the Office of Textiles and Apparel website at <http://otexa.ita.doc.gov>.

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 for carryover, carryforward, carryforward used, swing, and special shift.

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 68 FR 1599, published on January 13, 2003). Also see 67 FR 57409, published on September 10, 2002.

James C. Leonard III,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

March 4, 2003.

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 September 3, 2002, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. That directive concerns imports of certain cotton and wool textiles and textile products in the following categories, produced or manufactured in Romania and exported during the twelve-month period which began on January 1, 2003 and extends through December 31, 2003.

Effective on March 7, 2003, you are directed to adjust the limits for the following categories, as provided for under the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing:

Category	Adjusted twelve-month limit ¹
315	5,787,846 square meters.
410	113,694 square meters.
435	17,157 dozen.
442	15,237 dozen.
443	61,892 numbers.
444	21,874 numbers.
447/448	32,324 dozen.

¹ The limits have not been adjusted to account for any imports exported after December 31, 2002.

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,
James C. Leonard III,
Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.
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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Chicago Board of Trade (CBT) Proposed New Mini-Sized Corn, Soybean, and Wheat Futures Contracts

AGENCY: Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

ACTION: Notice of availability of terms and conditions of new contract specifications for mini-sized corn, soybean, and wheat futures.

SUMMARY: The Chicago Board of Trade (CBT or Exchange) has requested that the Commission approve the subject proposed new mini-sized corn, soybean, and wheat futures contracts, new CBT Regulation 332.11, and related amendments to existing CBT Regulations 425.01 and 1008.01. The proposals were submitted pursuant to Commission Regulations 40.3 and 40.5.

The Director of the Division of Market Oversight (Division) of the Commission,

acting pursuant to the authority delegated by Commission Regulation 140.96, has determined that publication of the Exchange's proposal for comment is in the public interest, and will assist the Commission in considering the views of interested persons.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before March 24, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons should submit their views and comments to Jean A. Webb, Secretary, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street, NW., Washington 20581. In addition, comments may be sent by facsimile transmission to (202) 418-5521 or by electronic mail to secretary@cftc.gov. Reference should be made to "CBT mini-sized, corn, soybean and wheat futures contracts."

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Please contact Frederick Linse of the Division of Market Oversight, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street, NW., Washington 20581, (202) 418-5273. Facsimile number: (202) 418-5527. Electronic mail: flinse@cftc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The proposed futures contracts would provide for the delivery of warehouse depository receipts and certificates representing 1,000 bushels of corn, soybeans and wheat, respectively. Except for certain terms noted below, the terms and conditions of the subject contracts would be identical to the terms and conditions of the existing 1,000-bushel corn, soybeans and wheat futures contracts traded on the MidAmerica Commodity Exchange (MACE). In this respect, prior to the first trading day of the subject new contracts, all of the open interest on the MACE corn, soybean and wheat futures contracts would be transferred to the corresponding new CBT mini-sized contracts. Trading of the MACE corn, soybean and wheat contracts on MACE would cease after the open interest in these contracts has been transferred to the CBT.

The primary differences between the CBT mini-sized and MACE contracts relate to the contracts' speculative position limits and certain terms concerning the taking of physical delivery against outstanding warehouse depository receipt and shipping certificates. Under proposed amendments to the CBT's Regulation 425.01, a trader's combined position in the mini-sized contracts and the corresponding CBT corn, soybean and wheat futures contracts would be subject to the CBT's existing speculative