

COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

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

May 8, 2003.

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

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection.

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 14, 2003.

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 Bureau of Customs and Border Protection Web site at <http://www.customs.gov>. For information on embargoes and quota re-openings, refer to the Office of Textiles and Apparel Web site 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 carryforward used, swing, special 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 68577, published on November 12, 2002.

D. Michael Hutchinson,
Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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Commissioner,
Bureau of Customs and Border Protection,
Washington, DC 20229.

Dear Commissioner: This directive amends, but does not cancel, the directive issued to you on November 1, 2002, 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 Taiwan and exported during the twelve-month period which began on January 1, 2003 and extends through December 31, 2003.

Effective on May 14, 2003, 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	Twelve-month limit ¹
Group I	
200-220, 224, 225/317/326, 226, 227, 300/301, 313-315, 360-363, 369-S ² , 369-O ³ , 400-414, 469pt ⁴ , 603, 604, 611, 613/614/615/617, 618, 619/620, 624, 625/626/627/628/629 and 666pt ⁵ , as a group.	228,318,899 square meters equivalent.
Sublevels in Group I	
225/317/326	46,009,868 square meters.
619/620	17,031,646 square meters.
625/626/627/628/629	22,162,195 square meters.
Group II	
237, 239pt ⁶ , 331pt. ⁷ , 332, 333/334/335, 336, 338/339, 340-345, 347/348, 351, 352/652, 359-C/659-C ⁸ , 659-H ⁹ , 359pt. ¹⁰ , 433-438, 440, 442, 443, 444, 445/446, 447/448, 459pt. ¹¹ , 631pt. ¹² , 633/634/635, 636, 638/639, 640, 641-644, 645/646, 647/648, 651, 659-S ¹³ , 659pt. ¹⁴ , 846 and 852, as a group.	602,836,385 square meters equivalent.
Sublevels in Group II	
336	156,723 dozen.
338/339	1,071,224 dozen.
347/348	1,514,317 dozen of which not more than 1,288,567 dozen shall be in Categories 347-W/348-W ¹⁵ .
435	27,866 dozen.
436	5,497 dozen.
438	31,020 dozen.
445/446	146,174 dozen.
638/639	6,468,061 dozen.
642	748,171 dozen.
647/648	5,351,981 dozen of which not more than 5,088,804 dozen shall be in Categories 647-W/648-W ¹⁶ .
659-S	1,713,821 kilograms.
Within Group II Subgroup	
342	261,378 dozen.
351	285,837 dozen.
447/448	22,874 dozen.
636	383,919 dozen.
651	560,432 dozen.

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

² Category 369-S: only HTS number 6307.10.2005.