

Category	Twelve-month limit <sup>1</sup>
351 .....	639,733 dozen.
352 .....	1,669,894 dozen.
361 .....	4,733,235 numbers.
362 .....	7,754,288 numbers.
363 .....	22,632,509 numbers.
443 .....	129,418 numbers.
445/446 .....	280,700 dozen.
447 .....	72,004 dozen.
614 .....	13,495,825 square meters.
636 .....	574,966 dozen.
638/639 .....	2,493,889 dozen.
640 .....	1,377,989 dozen.
641 .....	1,303,838 dozen.
642 .....	375,597 dozen.
644 .....	3,572,431 numbers.
648 .....	1,149,812 dozen.
651 .....	851,427 dozen of which not more than 150,661 dozen shall be in Category 651-B <sup>5</sup> .
652 .....	3,200,952 dozen.
666pt. <sup>6</sup> .....	516,784 kilograms.

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

<sup>2</sup> Category 338-S: all HTS numbers except 6109.10.0012, 6109.10.0014, 6109.10.0018 and 6109.10.0023; Category 339-S: all HTS numbers except 6109.10.0040, 6109.10.0045, 6109.10.0060 and 6109.10.0065.

<sup>3</sup> Category 340-Z: only HTS numbers 6205.20.2015, 6205.20.2020, 6205.20.2050 and 6205.20.2060.

<sup>4</sup> Category 341-Y: only HTS numbers 6204.22.3060, 6206.30.3010, 6206.30.3030 and 6211.42.0054.

<sup>5</sup> Category 651-B: only HTS numbers 6107.22.0015 and 6108.32.0015.

<sup>6</sup> Category 666pt.: all HTS numbers except 5805.00.4010, 6301.10.0000, 6301.40.0010, 6301.40.0020, 6301.90.0010, 6302.53.0010, 6302.53.0020, 6302.53.0030, 6302.93.1000, 6302.93.2000, 6303.12.0000, 6303.19.0010, 6303.92.1000, 6303.92.2010, 6303.92.2020, 6303.99.0010, 6304.11.2000, 6304.19.1500, 6304.19.2000, 6304.91.0040, 6304.93.0000, 6304.99.6020, 6307.90.9884, 9404.90.8522 and 9404.90.9522.

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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## COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

### Request for Public Comments on Commercial Availability Petition under the African Growth and Opportunity Act (AGOA), the United States-Caribbean Basin Trade Partnership Act (CBTPA), and the Andean Trade Promotion and Drug Eradication Act (ATPDEA)

June 9, 2003.

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

**ACTION:** Request for public comments concerning a petition for a determination that certain ring spun single yarns, made of micro modal fiber and U.S. pima cotton, cannot be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner under the AGOA, the CBTPA, and the ATPDEA.

**SUMMARY:** On June 5, 2003, the Chairman of CITA received a petition from Alston and Bird, L.L.P., on behalf of their client, Ge-Ray Fabrics, Inc., alleging that ring spun single yarn of English yarn numbers 30 and 50, containing 50 percent or more, but less than 85 percent, by weight of 0.9 denier or finer micro modal fiber, mixed solely with U.S. origin extra long pima cotton, classified in subheading 5510.30.000 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS), cannot be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner. The petition requests that women's and girls' knit blouses, shirts, lingerie, and underwear from such yarns or from U.S.-formed fabrics containing such yarns be eligible for preferential treatment under the AGOA, the CBTPA, and the ATPDEA. CITA hereby solicits public comments on this request, in particular with regard to whether such yarns can be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner. Comments must be submitted by June 27, 2003 to the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements, Room 3001, United States Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW. Washington, DC. 20230.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Janet Heinzen, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-3400.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Authority:** Section 112(b)(5)(B) of the AGOA; Section 213(b)(2)(A)(v)(II) of the CBTPA, as added by Section 211(a) of the CBTPA; Sections 1 and 6 of Executive Order No. 13191 of January 17, 2001; Section 204 (b)(3)(B)(ii) of the ATPDEA, Presidential Proclamation 7616 of October 31, 2002, Executive Order 13277 of November 19, 2002, and the United States Trade Representative's Notice of Further Assignment of Functions of November 25, 2002.

## Background

The AGOA, the CBTPA, and the ATPDEA provide for quota- and duty-free treatment for qualifying textile and apparel products. Such treatment is generally limited to products manufactured from yarns and fabrics formed in the United States or a beneficiary country. The AGOA, the CBTPA, and the ATPDEA also provide for quota- and duty-free treatment for apparel articles that are both cut (or knit-to-shape) and sewn or otherwise assembled in one or more beneficiary countries from fabric or yarn that is not formed in the United States, if it has been determined that such fabric or yarn cannot be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner. In Executive Order No. 13191 (66 FR 7271) and pursuant to Executive Order No. 13277 (67 FR 70305) and the United States Trade Representative's Notice of Redelegation of Authority and Further Assignment of