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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 Malaysia and exported during the period January 1, 2004 through December 31, 2004 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, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection to establish the 2004 limits. Carryforward applied to the 2003 limits is being deducted from the 2004 limits.

These limits are subject to adjustment pursuant to the provisions of the ATC and administrative arrangements notified to the Textiles Monitoring Body. However, as the ATC and all restrictions thereunder will terminate on January 1, 2005, no adjustment for carryforward (borrowing from next year's limits for use in the current year) will be available.

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). Information regarding the

2004 Correlation will be published in the **Federal Register** at a later date.

James C. Leonard III,
Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

October 14, 2003.

Commissioner,
Bureau of Customs and Border Protection,
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, 2004, entry into the United States for consumption and withdrawal from warehouse for consumption of cotton, wool and man-made fiber textiles and textile products and silk blend and other vegetable fiber apparel in the following categories, produced or manufactured in Malaysia and exported during the twelve-month period beginning on January 1, 2004 and extending through December 31, 2004, in excess of the following limits:

Category	Twelve-month restraint limit
Fabric Group	
218-220, 225-227, 313-326, 611-O ¹ , 613/614/615/617, 619 and 620, as a group	217,632,182 square meters equivalent.
Sublevels within the group	
218	12,486,665 square meters.
219	60,490,956 square meters.
220	60,490,956 square meters.
225	60,490,956 square meters.
226	60,490,956 square meters.
227	60,490,956 square meters.
313	72,145,175 square meters.
314	86,796,101 square meters.
315	60,490,956 square meters.
317	60,490,956 square meters.
326	11,697,587 square meters.
611-O	7,018,553 square meters.
613/614/615/617	69,436,883 square meters.
619	9,358,070 square meters.
620	11,697,587 square meters.
Other specific limits	
200	526,555 kilograms.
237	708,479 dozen.
300/301	5,282,976 kilograms.
331pt./631pt. ²	982,465 dozen pairs.
333/334/335	439,597 dozen of which not more than 263,836 dozen shall be in Category 333.
336/636	853,731 dozen.
338/339	2,002,242 dozen.
340/640	2,465,429 dozen.
341/641	3,195,288 dozen of which not more than 1,139,921 dozen shall be in Category 341.
342/642	762,971 dozen.
345	293,484 dozen.
347/348	848,553 dozen.
351/651	449,238 dozen.
363	7,439,664 numbers.
435	17,028 dozen.
438-W ³	13,935 dozen.
442	20,751 dozen.
445/446	32,939 dozen.
604	2,448,774 kilograms.
634/635	1,491,336 dozen.
638/639	878,508 dozen.