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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 current limits for certain categories are being adjusted for the charging of additional carryforward used, swing, carryover, and 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 68 FR 1599, published on January 13, 2003). Also see 67 FR 63633, published on October 15, 2002.

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: This directive amends, but does not cancel, the directive issued to you on October 8, 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 Thailand and exported during the twelve-month period which began on January 1, 2003 and extends through December 31, 2003.

Effective on October 20, 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
Levels in Group I	
200	2,088,878 kilograms.
218	27,328,680 square meters.
219	11,843,261 square meters.
300	7,422,111 kilograms.
301-O ²	1,696,915 kilograms.
314-O ³	78,712,514 square meters.
315-O ⁴	55,703,467 square meters.

Category	Adjusted twelve-month limit ¹
317-O/326-O ⁵	23,384,855 square meters.
363	36,207,254 numbers.
604	1,303,272 kilograms of which not more than 835,551 kilograms shall be in Category 604-A ⁶ .
613/614/615	84,185,472 square meters of which not more than 49,019,053 square meters shall be in Categories 613/615 and not more than 49,019,053 square meters shall be in Category 614.
617	30,400,308 square meters.
619	12,903,804 square meters.
620	12,759,104 square meters.
625/626/627/628/629	23,078,445 square meters of which not more than 17,564,156 square meters shall be in Category 625.
Group II	
237, 331pt. ⁷ , 332-348, 351, 352, 359pt. ⁸ , 433-438, 440, 442-448, 459pt. ⁹ , 631pt. ¹⁰ , 633-648, 651, 652, 659-H ¹¹ , 659pt. ¹² , 845, 846 and 852, as a group	477,314,603 square meters equivalent.
Sublevels in Group II	
334/634	1,086,218 dozen.
335/635	895,186 dozen.
336/636	577,905 dozen.
338/339	2,801,379 dozen.
340	532,949 dozen.
341/641	1,258,348 dozen.
342/642	1,095,502 dozen.
345	538,719 dozen.
347/348	1,386,349 dozen.
351/651	425,302 dozen.
433	11,591 dozen.
434	14,953 dozen.
435	67,943 dozen.
438	22,428 dozen.
442	26,045 dozen.
638/639	3,339,939 dozen.
640	919,104 dozen.
645/646	557,035 dozen.
647/648	1,989,414 dozen.

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

² Category 301-O: only HTS numbers 5205.21.0020, 5205.21.0090, 5205.22.0020, 5205.22.0090, 5205.23.0020, 5205.23.0090, 5205.24.0020, 5205.24.0090, 5205.26.0020, 5205.26.0090, 5205.27.0020, 5205.27.0090, 5205.28.0020, 5205.28.0090, 5205.41.0090, 5205.42.0020, 5205.42.0090, 5205.43.0020, 5205.43.0090, 5205.44.0020, 5205.44.0090, 5205.46.0020, 5205.46.0090, 5205.47.0020, 5205.47.0090, 5205.48.0020 and 5205.48.0090.

³ Category 314-O: all HTS numbers except 5209.51.6015.

⁴ Category 315-O: all HTS numbers except 5208.52.4055.

⁵ Category 317-O: all HTS numbers except 5208.59.2085; Category 326-O: all HTS numbers except 5208.59.2015, 5209.59.0015 and 5211.59.0015.

⁶ Category 604-A: only HTS number 5509.32.0000.

⁷ Categories 331pt.: all HTS numbers except 6116.10.1720, 6116.10.4810, 6116.10.5510, 6116.10.7510, 6116.92.6410, 6116.92.6420, 6116.92.6430, 6116.92.6440, 6116.92.7450, 6116.92.7460, 6116.92.7470, 6116.92.8800, 6116.92.9400 and 6116.99.9510.

⁸ Category 359pt.: all HTS numbers except 6115.19.8010, 6117.10.6010, 6117.20.9010, 6203.22.1000, 6204.22.1000, 6212.90.0010, 6214.90.0010, 6406.99.1550, 6505.90.1525, 6505.90.1540, 6505.90.2060 and 6505.90.2545.

⁹ Category 459pt.: all HTS numbers except 6115.19.8020, 6117.10.1000, 6117.10.2010, 6117.20.9020, 6212.90.0020, 6214.20.0000, 6405.20.6030, 6405.20.6060, 6405.20.6090, 6406.99.1505 and 6406.99.1560.

¹⁰ Category 631pt.: all HTS numbers except 6116.10.1730, 6116.10.4820, 6116.10.5520, 6116.10.7520, 6116.93.8800, 6116.93.9400, 6116.99.4800, 6116.99.5400 and 6116.99.9530.

¹¹ Category 659-H: only HTS numbers 6502.00.9030, 6504.00.9015, 6504.00.9060, 6505.90.5090, 6505.90.6090, 6505.90.7090 and 6505.90.8090.

¹² Category 659pt.: all HTS numbers except 6502.00.9030, 6504.00.9015, 6504.00.9060, 6505.90.5090, 6505.90.6090, 6505.90.7090, 6505.90.8090 (Category 659-H); 6115.11.0010, 6115.12.2000, 6117.10.2030, 6117.20.9030, 6212.90.0030, 6214.30.0000, 6214.40.0000, 6406.99.1510 and 6406.99.1540.

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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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

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AGENCY: Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), DoD.

ACTION: Notice.