

entry for consumption into the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that these actions fall within the foreign affairs exception of 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

Announcement of Import Restraint Limits for Certain Cotton, Wool and Man-Made Fiber Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in the Republic of Turkey

December 10, 2003.

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

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Roy Unger, 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 reopenings, 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 import restraint limits for textile products, produced or manufactured in Turkey 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 used thus far in 2003 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

December 10, 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 textile products in the following categories, produced or manufactured in Turkey and exported during the period January 1, 2004 through December 31, 2004, in excess of the following levels of restraint:

Category	Restraint limit
Fabric Group 219, 313-O ¹ , 314-O ² , 315-O ³ , 317-O ⁴ , 326-O ⁵ , 617, 625/626/627/ 628/629, as a group.	309,290,723 square meters of which not more than 70,679,236 square meters shall be in Category 219; not more than 86,385,732 square meters shall be in Category 313-O; not more than 50,260,790 square meters shall be in Category 314-O; not more than 67,537,941 square meters shall be in Category 315-O; not more than 70,679,236 square meters shall be in Category 317-O; not more than 7,853,246 square meters shall be in Category 326-O, and not more than 47,119,494 square meters shall be in Category 617.
Sublevel in Fabric Group 625/626/627/628/629	31,817,441 square meters of which not more than 12,726,974 square meters shall be in Category 625; not more than 12,726,974 square meters shall be in Category 626; not more than 12,726,974 square meters shall be in Category 627; not more than 12,726,974 square meters shall be in Category 628; and not more than 12,726,974 square meters shall be in Category 629.
Limits not in a group	
200	2,982,231 kilograms.
300/301	14,520,268 kilograms.
335	626,940 dozen.
336/636	1,476,793 dozen.
338/339/638/639	8,698,313 dozen of which not more than 7,828,484 dozen shall be in Categories 338-S/339-S/638-S/639-S ⁶ .
340/640	2,298,447 dozen of which not more than 653,708 dozen shall be in Categories 340-Y/640-Y ⁷ .
341/641	2,269,824 dozen of which not more than 794,439 dozen shall be in Categories 341-Y/641-Y ⁸ .
342/642	1,643,978 dozen.
347/348	8,944,353 dozen of which not more than 2,943,132 dozen shall be in Categories 347-T/348-T ⁹ .
351/651	1,410,182 dozen.