

in Coils from Germany, Italy, Japan, Korea, Taiwan and the United Kingdom.

### Analysis of Comments Received

All issues raised in this case are addressed in the "Issues and Decision Memorandum" ("Decision Memo") from Ronald K. Lorentzen, Acting Director, Office of Policy, Import Administration, to James J. Jochum, Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, dated December 10, 2004, which is hereby adopted by this notice. The issues discussed in the Decision Memo include the likelihood of continuation or recurrence of dumping and the magnitude of the margin likely to prevail if the order were to be revoked. Parties can find a complete discussion of all issues raised in this review and the corresponding recommendations in this public memorandum, which is on file in room B-099 of the main Commerce Building.

In addition, a complete version of the Decision Memo can be accessed directly on the Web at <http://ia.ita.doc.gov/frn>, under the heading "December 2004." The paper copy and electronic version of the Decision Memo are identical in content.

### Final Results of Review

The Department determines that revocation of the CVD order on SSSS from Korea is likely to lead to continuation or recurrence of countervailable subsidies at the following net subsidy rates:

Manufacturers/Producers/Exporters	Net Subsidy Rate (percent)
INI/BNG .....	0.54
Dai Yang Metal Company .....	0.67
Taihan .....	4.64
All Others .....	0.63

### Nature of the Subsidy

Consistent with section 752(a)(6) of the Act, the Department will provide to the ITC information concerning the nature of the subsidy, and whether the subsidy is a subsidy described in Article 3 or Article 6.1 of the Subsidies Agreement. Because some programs not falling within the definition of an export subsidy under Article 3.1(a) of the Subsidies Agreement could be found to be inconsistent with Article 6 if the net countervailable subsidy exceeds five percent (as measured in accordance with Annex IV of the Subsidies Agreement), we are providing the ITC with program descriptions in our Decision Memo. We note that as of January 1, 2000, Article 6.1 has ceased

to apply (see Article 31 of the Subsidies Agreement).

This notice also serves as the only reminder to parties subject to administrative protective orders ("APO") of their responsibility concerning the return of destruction of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305. Timely notification of the return or destruction of APO materials or conversion to judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and terms of an APO is a violation which is subject to sanction.

This five-year ("sunset") review and notice are in accordance with sections 751(c), 752, and 777(i)(1) of the Act.

Dated: December 10, 2004.

**James J. Jochum,**  
Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Institute of Standards and Technology

[Docket No. 041119324-4324-01]

### Request for Technical Input—U.S.-China Workshop on Standards and Conformity Assessment

**AGENCY:** National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Request for workshop recommendations.

**SUMMARY:** The National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) invites interested parties to submit recommendations for focus areas in a US-China Workshop on Standards and Conformity Assessment.

Recommendations should include general policy issues and specific sectors and topics where information exchange about the U.S. and Chinese systems of standards development, conformity assessment, and metrology may facilitate trade. The prospective workshop is tentatively scheduled as a two or three day program to be held in late August or early September 2005. This notice is not an invitation for proposals to fund grants, contracts or cooperative agreements of any kind. NIST will consider recommendations based upon which workshop focus areas would be most useful to intended audiences.

**DATES:** Recommendations must be submitted to NIST no later than 5 p.m., EST, January 15, 2005.

**ADDRESSES:** All recommendations must be submitted to Dr. Ajit Jillavenkatesa via e-mail ([ajit.jilla@nist.gov](mailto:ajit.jilla@nist.gov)) or by mail to 100 Bureau Drive, Stop 2100, Gaithersburg, MD 20899.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ajit Jillavenkatesa (301) 975-5089, [ajit.jilla@nist.gov](mailto:ajit.jilla@nist.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The proposed fourth US-China Workshop on Standards and Conformity Assessment expands the continuing dialog between the U.S. and China to address issues related to development of standards, their adoption and/or implementation, and conformity assessment procedures impacting trade between the two countries. The workshop is designed to provide timely information and facilitate dialog between U.S. and Chinese industry and government experts on developments both in general policy matters and issues in specific sectors, and to explore means for future collaboration.

The proposed workshop is a two or three day program offering an overview of the roles of the Government and private sector in both the United States and China, and regional and international organizations engaged in standards development and conformity assessment practices. Specific workshop objectives are to: (1) Familiarize participants with practices in the U.S. and China in the areas of metrology, standardization, and conformity assessment; (2) describe and understand the roles of the U.S. and Chinese governments and the private sector in developing and implementing standards; (3) develop professional contacts as a basis for strengthening technical ties and enhancing trade; and (4) discuss specific standards and conformity assessment-related technical barriers.

Workshop recommendations (maximum 3 pages) must address at minimum the following points, in the order noted and labeled accordingly:

1. Name and description of the recommending organization. Provide the primary mailing address and a brief description of the organization, including the name, telephone number and e-mail address of the primary point of contact.

2. Industry sector for workshop focus. Provide a description of the suggested industrial sector and focus area for break-out sessions during the workshop. Consider the goals and potential benefits. Also, identify standards and conformity assessment related issues

that currently or could pose market barriers.

3. Principal topics. Describe the suggested topics for the workshop, for inclusion in a plenary session and break-out sessions.

4. Please state which venue for holding the workshop, the U.S. (Washington, DC area) or China (Beijing), would be most convenient and include a brief explanation as to why.

5. Proposed foreign participants. Provide a representative list of the organizations that you would like to see invited to participate in the workshop, including a description of their function or business and their country of incorporation or origin. Also, please identify potential Chinese participants and speakers.

6. U.S. stakeholder participants (*e.g.*, associations, agencies, companies, users, others). Provide a list of the U.S.-based organizations that are likely to partner with you for participation in the workshop.

7. Proposed focus area objectives. Describe the intended goals to be attained and why they are important.

Additional information about the first three workshops in this series is available at <http://ts.nist.gov/ts/htdocs/210/gsig/apec1.htm#workshop>, <http://www.technology.gov/Prel/pr040819.htm>, <http://www.mac.doc.gov/china/workshop%20summary.htm>.

Dated: December 8, 2004.

**Hratch G. Semerjian,**  
*Acting Director.*

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## COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

### Cancellation of Visa, ELVIS, Guaranteed Access Level (GAL) Certification, and Exempt Certification Requirements for Member Countries of the World Trade Organization (WTO)

December 14, 2004.

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

**ACTION:** Issuing a directive to the Commissioner, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection canceling visa requirements for WTO member countries.

**DATES:** *Effective Date:* January 1, 2005.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Philip J. Martello, Director, Trade and Data Division, Office of Textiles and

Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-3400.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

**Authority:** Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended; Section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854).

The WTO Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (ATC), approved by Congress as part of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act, provides for the integration of the textiles and clothing sectors into the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade 1994. In accordance with its obligations under the ATC, and consistent with Section 331 of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act and the schedule announced by CITA on May 1, 1995 (60 FR 21075), the United States will no longer impose textile and apparel quotas under the ATC for goods exported on or after January 1, 2005. Consistent with these obligations, the United States has informed its trading partners with whom it has entered into visa arrangements in order to carry out such quotas and which are members of the WTO that such visa arrangements will be terminated and will not apply to goods exported from the country of origin on and after January 1, 2005.

In the letter below, CITA instructs the Bureau of Customs and Border Protection to cancel all requirements for visas, ELVIS transmissions, GAL certifications, and exempt certifications, for goods exported from the country of origin on or after January 1, 2005. For goods that are the product of countries that are not members of the WTO, applicable requirements for visas, ELVIS transmissions, GAL certifications, and exempt certifications will remain in effect.

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

#### Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

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

Dear Commissioner: This directive cancels all previous directives concerning requirements for visa, ELVIS transmissions, Guaranteed Access Level (GAL) Certifications, and Exempt Certifications, issued to you by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements, for the following countries, covering cotton, wool, man-made fiber, silk blend and non-cotton vegetable fiber textile and textile products subject to the Agreement on Textiles and Clothing, effective for goods exported from those countries on and after January 1, 2005: Bahrain, Bangladesh, Brazil, Cambodia, China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Egypt, El Salvador, Fiji, Guatemala, Haiti, Hong Kong, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Jamaica, Japan, Korea,

Lebanon, Macau, Malaysia, Maldives, Mauritius, Macedonia, Nepal, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Peru, Poland, Philippines, Qatar, Romania, Singapore, Slovak Republic, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, Thailand, Trinidad, Turkey, UAE, and Uruguay.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreement has determined that this action falls 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

### Solicitation of Public Comments on Request for Textile and Apparel Safeguard Action on Imports From China

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

**ACTION:** Solicitation of public comments concerning a request for safeguard action on imports from China of knit fabric (Category 222).

**SUMMARY:** The Committee has received a request from the National Council of Textile Organizations, the National Textile Association, the American Manufacturing Trade Action Coalition, and UNITE HERE! (Requestors) asking the Committee to reapply the limit on imports from China of knit fabric in accordance with the textile and apparel safeguard provision of the Working Party on the Accession of China to the World Trade Organization (the Accession Agreement). On December 24, 2003 the Committee established an Accession Agreement limit on imports from China of knit fabric, which will expire on December 23, 2004. The Committee hereby solicits public comments on this request.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jay Dowling, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-4058.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** **Authority:** Section 204 of the Agriculture Act of 1956, as amended; Executive Order 11651, as amended.

#### Background

The textile and apparel safeguard provision of the Accession Agreement provides for the United States and other members of the World Trade Organization that believe imports of