

JV operations. The applications also request allocations totaling 4,500 metric tons (mt) of Atlantic herring and 3,500 mt of Atlantic mackerel for harvest by the named vessels in 2001.

Dated: December 20, 2001.

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Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Announcement of Import Restraint Limits for Certain Cotton, Wool, Man-Made Fiber, Silk Blend and Other Vegetable Fiber Textiles and Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Hong Kong; Correction

December 20, 2001

In the letter to the Commissioner of Customs published in the Federal Register on December 5, 2001 (66 FR 63219), on page 63220, 2nd column, in the table listing import restraint limits, categories 331pt. and 631pt. were inadvertently omitted from the list of categories covered under Group II. A letter has been sent to the Commissioner of Customs to add these categories to the categories listed under Group II.

D. Michael Hutchinson,

Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Announcement of Import Limits for Certain Cotton, Wool, Man-Made Fiber, Silk Blend and Other Vegetable Fiber Textiles and Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in the People's Republic of China and Amendment of Export Visa and Certification Requirements for Textiles and Textile Products Integrated into GATT 1994 in the First, Second and Third Stage

December 20, 2001

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

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs establishing

the 2002 limits and amending visa requirements.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2002.

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 U.S. Customs website at <http://www.customs.gov>. For information on embargoes and quota reopenings, refer to the Office of Textiles and Apparel website 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 China and exported during the period January 1, 2002 through December 31, 2002 are based on limits to be notified to the Textiles Monitoring Body pursuant to the World Trade Organization (WTO) Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (ATC).

The ATC provides for the staged integration of textiles and textile products into the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) 1994. For WTO members, the first stage of the integration took place on January 1, 1995 and the second stage took place on January 1, 1998. The products to be integrated in each stage were announced on April 26, 1995 (see 60 FR 21075, published on May 1, 1995 and 63 FR 53881, published on October 7, 1998).

The third stage of the integration will take place on January 1, 2002 (see 60 FR 21075, published on May 1, 1995). The United States will implement the first three stages of integration for China on that date. Accordingly, certain previously restrained categories have been modified and their limits have been revised, and other categories have been eliminated. Integrated products will no longer be subject to quota. This directive implements stages one, two and three of integration and agreed annual growth, but does not apply accelerated growth. CITA will amend China's quotas by applying accelerated quota growth at a later date.

In the letter published below, the Chairman of CITA directs the Commissioner of Customs to establish the 2002 limits.

The United States will not maintain quota and visa requirements on textiles and textile products that were integrated

in stages one, two and three, that were produced or manufactured in China and exported on or after December 11, 2001 (for products integrated in stages one and two), and January 1, 2002 (for products integrated in stage three). In the letter published below, the Chairman of CITA directs the Commissioner of Customs to eliminate existing quota and visa requirements for textiles and textile products that were integrated for WTO members on January 1, 1995 and January 1, 1998, and exported on or after December 11, 2001, produced or manufactured in China (see 66 FR 63225, published on December 5, 2001). The letter also directs the Commissioner to eliminate existing quota and visa requirements for textiles and textile products that were integrated on January 1, 2002, and exported on and after that date. The existing quota and visa requirements for China will be maintained for goods exported prior to integration. Goods integrated in stages one, two and three will no longer require exempt certification.

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 66 FR 65178, published on December 18, 2001).

D. Michael Hutchinson,

Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

December 20, 2001

Commissioner of Customs,
Department of the Treasury, 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, 2002, entry into the United States for consumption and withdrawal from warehouse for consumption of cotton, wool, man-made fiber, silk blend and other vegetable fiber textiles and textile products in the following categories, produced or manufactured in China and exported during the twelve-month period beginning on January 1, 2002 and extending through December 31, 2002, in excess of the following levels of restraint: