

The limits set forth above are subject to adjustment pursuant to the provisions of the ATC and administrative arrangements notified to the Textiles Monitoring Body.

Products in the above categories exported during 2000 shall be charged to the applicable category limits for that year (see directive dated September 13, 1999) to the extent of any unfilled balances. In the event the limits established for that period have been exhausted by previous entries, such products shall be charged to the limits set forth in this directive.

In carrying out the above directions, the Commissioner of Customs should construe entry into the United States for consumption to include 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,  
Richard B. Steinkamp,  
*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, Man- Made Fiber, Silk Blend and Other Vegetable Fiber Textiles and Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Mauritius

December 5, 2000.

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

**ACTION:** Issuing a directive to the  
Commissioner of Customs establishing  
limits.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** January 1, 2001.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**  
Naomi Freeman, 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 re-openings, call  
(202) 482-3715.

#### 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  
the Mauritius and exported during the  
period January 1, 2001 through  
December 31, 2001 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 of Customs to establish  
the 2001 limits.

As required by the African Growth  
and Opportunity Act, these limits shall  
be eliminated within 30 days after the  
U.S. Trade Representative determines  
that Mauritius has adopted an effective  
visa system to prevent unlawful  
transshipment of textile and apparel  
articles and the use of counterfeit  
documents relating to the importation of  
the articles into the United States.

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 64 FR 71982,  
published on December 22, 1999).  
Information regarding the 2001  
CORRELATION will be published in the  
**Federal Register** at a later date.

**Richard B. Steinkamp,**  
*Chairman, Committee for the Implementation  
of Textile Agreements.*

#### Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

December 5, 2000.

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, 2001, 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 Mauritius and  
exported during the twelve-month period  
beginning on January 1, 2001 and extending  
through December 31, 2001, in excess of the  
following levels of restraint:

Category	Twelve-month restraint limit
Knit Group 345, 438, 445, 446, 645 and 646, as a group.	238,802 dozen.
Levels not in a group	
237 .....	307,948 dozen.
335/835 .....	122,412 dozen.
336 .....	144,048 dozen.
338/339 .....	576,681 dozen.
340/640 .....	938,509 dozen of which not more than 571,294 dozen shall be in Categories 340-Y/640-Y <sup>1</sup> .
341/641 .....	650,126 dozen.
347/348 .....	1,213,889 dozen.
351/651 .....	285,492 dozen.
352/652 .....	2,420,963 dozen of which not more than 2,057,821 dozen shall be in Category 352.
442 .....	12,566 dozen.
604-A <sup>2</sup> .....	484,035 kilograms.
638/639 .....	663,186 dozen.
647/648/847 .....	894,265 dozen.

<sup>1</sup>Category 340-Y: only HTS numbers  
6205.20.2015, 6205.20.2020, 6205.20.2046,  
6205.20.2050 and 6205.20.2060; Category  
640-Y: only HTS numbers 6205.30.2010,  
6205.30.2020, 6205.30.2050 and  
6205.30.2060.

<sup>2</sup>Category 604-A: only HTS number  
5509.32.0000.

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ATC and administrative arrangements  
notified to the Textiles Monitoring Body.

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applicable category limits for that year (see  
directive dated September 13, 1999) to the  
extent of any unfilled balances. In the event  
the limits established for that period have  
been exhausted by previous entries, such  
products shall be charged to the limits set  
forth in this directive.

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Commissioner of Customs should construe  
entry into the United States for consumption  
to include entry for consumption into the  
Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

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exception of the rulemaking provisions of 5  
U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,  
Richard B. Steinkamp,  
*Chairman, Committee for the  
Implementation of Textile Agreements.*

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