

and silk blend and other vegetable fiber apparel, produced or manufactured in the Philippines and exported during the twelve-month period which began on January 1, 2004 and extends through December 31, 2004.

Effective on December 28, 2004, you are directed to adjust the limits for the following categories, as provided for under the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing:

Category	Twelve-month restraint limit ¹
Levels in Group I	
338/339	3,665,204 dozen.
638/639	2,980,832 dozen.

¹ The limits have not been adjusted to account for any imports exported after December 31, 2003.

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,
D. Michael Hutchinson,
Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.
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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Exempting Certain Textiles and Textile Products of the People's Republic of China from Safeguard Import Limits

December 23, 2004.

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

ACTION: Exempting Certain Products from China Textile Safeguard Import Limit.

SUMMARY: The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA) has determined that certain products, exempted from visa and quota requirements under previous arrangements, should also be exempted from limits imposed on textile and textile product imports from China under paragraph 242 of the Report of the Working Party on the Accession of China to the World Trade Organization (Accession Agreement).

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 29, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ross Arnold, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-3400.

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.

Paragraph 242 of the Report of the Working Party on the Accession of China to the World Trade Organization (WTO) allows WTO Members that believe imports of Chinese origin textile and apparel products are, due to market disruption, threatening to impede the orderly development of trade in these products to request consultations with the People's Republic of China with a view to easing or avoiding such market disruption. CITA has imposed limits on imports from China pursuant to Paragraph 242 (see 68 FR 74944, 68 FR 74945, 68 FR 74947, and 69 FR 63371). CITA has in the past exempted from quota and visa requirements textile and textile products entered under certain subheadings of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTS), including articles, previously imported, with respect to which the duty was paid upon such previous importation or which were previously free of duty, entered under HTS subheadings 9801.00.20, 9801.00.25, or 9801.00.26; articles returned to the United States after having been exported to be advanced in value or improved in condition, entered under HTS subheadings 9802.00.40 or 9802.00.50; certain commercial samples treated to be unsuitable for sale or for use otherwise than as a sample, to be used in the United States only for soliciting orders for products of foreign countries valued at U.S. \$1 or less, entered under HTS subheading 9811.00.60; articles to be repaired, altered or processed (including processes which result in articles manufactured or produced in the United States), entered under HTS subheading 9813.00.05; articles not intended for sale or distribution to the public that are associated with an international athletic event held in the United States, such as the Olympics or similar international athletic event, entered under HTS subheading 9817.60.00. CITA has also exempted properly marked commercial samples valued at \$800 or less from these requirements.

In the directive below, the Chairman of CITA directs the Commissioner, Customs and Border Protection, to exempt such items from limits imposed under Paragraph 242.

D. Michael Hutchinson,

Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

December 23, 2004.

Commissioner,
Bureau of Customs and Border Protection,
Washington, D.C. 20229.

Dear Commissioner: Effective on December 29, 2004, in accordance with paragraph 242 of the China Accession Agreement and the procedures set forth by the Committee on May 21, 2003 (68 FR 27787), as clarified on August 18, 2003 (68 FR 49440), the United States has established, and may in future establish, safeguard limits on certain textile and apparel products from China.

Properly marked commercial samples valued at U.S.\$800 or less and importations under HTS items:

9801.00.20

9801.00.25

9801.00.26

9802.00.40

9802.00.50

9811.00.60

9813.00.05

9817.60.00

shall not be charged to applicable quota limits.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that this action falls within the foreign affairs exception to the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,
D. Michael Hutchinson,
Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.
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CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Notice of Designation of Inspector General as a Debarring Official for Limited Purposes

AGENCY: Corporation for National and Community Service.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to a directive included in the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2004 and the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2005, the Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS) has designated the Inspector General of CNCS as a debarring official for grantees that administer activities under AmeriCorps programs.

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 29, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Irshad Abdal-Haqq, Associate General Counsel, Office of General Counsel, 1201 New York Avenue, NW., Washington, DC, 20525, (202) 606-5000 Ext. 434 (*iabdal-haqq@cns.gov*).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Corporation has designated its Inspector General as a debarring official pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2004 and the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2005, which state, "[t]he Inspector General of the

Corporation for National and Community Service shall conduct random audits of the grantees that administer activities under the AmeriCorps programs and shall levy sanctions in accordance with standard Inspector General audit resolution procedures which include, but are not limited to, debarment of any grantee (or successor in interest or any entity with substantially the same person or persons in control) that has been determined to have committed any substantial violations of the requirements of the AmeriCorps programs, including any grantee that has been determined to have violated the prohibition of using Federal funds to lobby the Congress: *Provided*, That the Inspector General shall obtain reimbursements in the amount of any misused funds from any grantee that has been determined to have committed any substantial violations of the requirements of the AmeriCorps programs."

The Inspector General is now a debarring official for grantees that administer activities under AmeriCorps programs. This authority applies to AmeriCorps grantees that have been the subject of an Office of Inspector General (OIG) audit, or the subject of an audit and investigation. The Inspector General intends to exercise this authority with respect to the subject of any audit report issued on or after January 23, 2004, the date the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2004 became effective. In processing debarment actions, the Inspector General will follow the procedures in the Corporation's debarment and suspension regulation, codified in 45 CFR 2542.

The following programs *may* trigger OIG debarment authority:

- Any program that receives Corporation funds under Section 121 (Subtitle C State/National) of the NCSA (includes the following recipients of AmeriCorps funding: States, subdivisions of States, Indian tribes, nonprofit organizations, and institutions of higher education).

- Any program that receives approved AmeriCorps positions (includes Education Awards Program, AmeriCorps Promise Fellows, and AmeriCorps VISTA).

- Any program that receives Planning, Operational, and Replication funding authorized under Section 124 of the NCSA.

The following programs will *not* trigger OIG debarment authority:

- Domestic Volunteer Service Act funded programs other than AmeriCorps VISTA (including Retired and Senior Volunteer Program, Special Volunteer

Program, Foster Grandparent Program, and Senior Companion Program).

- Learn & Serve America.
 - State Commission Administrative Program Assistance.
 - Challenge, Next Generation, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, Points of Light Foundation, America's Promise, and other earmarked programs outside of AmeriCorps.
 - Training & Technical Assistance.
 - Program Development Assistance & Training (PDAT).
 - Disability Outreach and Placement.
- If a grantee administers multiple programs, only the AmeriCorps programs trigger OIG debarment authority.

Dated: December 22, 2004.

Frank R. Trinity,

General Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Oak Ridge Reservation

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EMSSAB), Oak Ridge Reservation. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of this meeting be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Wednesday, January 12, 2005; 6 p.m.

ADDRESSES: DOE Information Center, 475 Oak Ridge Turnpike, Oak Ridge, Tennessee.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Pat Halsey, Federal Coordinator, Department of Energy Oak Ridge Operations Office, P.O. Box 2001, EM-90, Oak Ridge, TN 37831. Phone (865) 576-4025; Fax (865) 576-5333 or e-mail: halseypj@oro.doe.gov or check the Web site at www.oakridge.doe.gov/em/ssab.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Board: The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

Tentative Agenda: Overview of the 2003 Annual Site Environmental Report.

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Board either

before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to the agenda item should contact Pat Halsey at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received five days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The Deputy Designated Federal Officer is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Individuals wishing to make public comment will be provided a maximum of five minutes to present their comments.

Minutes: Minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying at the Department of Energy's Information Center at 475 Oak Ridge Turnpike, Oak Ridge, TN between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, or by writing to Pat Halsey, Department of Energy Oak Ridge Operations Office, P.O. Box 2001, EM-90, Oak Ridge, TN 37831, or by calling her at (865) 576-4025.

Issued at Washington, DC, on December 23, 2004.

Rachel M. Samuel,

Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EMSSAB), Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of this meeting be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Tuesday, January 18, 2005; 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Wednesday, January 19, 2005; 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Opportunities for public participation will be held Tuesday, January 18, from 12:15 to 12:30 p.m. and 5:45 to 6:00 p.m.; and on Wednesday, January 19, from 11:45 a.m. to 12 noon and 4:00 to 4:15 p.m. Additional time may be made available for public comment during the presentations.