

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 Bilateral Textile Agreement of July 22, 1998, as amended and extended by exchange of notes on September 19, 2000 and January 15, 2001, between the Governments of the United States and Ukraine, you are directed to prohibit, effective on January 1, 2004, entry into the United States for consumption and withdrawal from warehouse for consumption of wool textile products in the following categories, produced or manufactured in Ukraine and exported during the twelve-month period beginning on January 1, 2004 and extending through December 31, 2004, in excess of the following levels of restraint:

Category	Twelve-month limit
435 .....	101,468 dozen.
442 .....	16,892 dozen.
444 .....	73,201 numbers.
448 .....	73,201 dozen.

The limits set forth above are subject to adjustment pursuant to the current bilateral agreement between the Governments of the United States and Ukraine.

These limits may be revised if Ukraine becomes a member of the World Trade Organization (WTO) and the United States applies the WTO agreement to Ukraine.

Products in the above categories exported during 2003 shall be charged to the applicable category limits for that year (see directive dated October 9, 2002) 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, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection 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,

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 and Wool Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in the Republic of Uruguay

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 Uruguay 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.

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 of Customs,  
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 and wool textile products in the following categories, produced or manufactured in Uruguay and exported during the twelve-month period beginning on January 1, 2004 and extending through December 31, 2004, in excess of the following levels of restraint:

Category	Twelve-month restraint limit
334 .....	286,340 dozen.
335 .....	246,497 dozen.
410 .....	3,232,862 square meters of which not more than 1,847,352 square meters shall be in Category 410-A <sup>1</sup> and not more than 2,976,284 square meters shall be in Category 410-B <sup>2</sup> .
433 .....	19,305 dozen.
434 .....	28,799 dozen.
435 .....	58,162 dozen.
442 .....	41,144 dozen.

<sup>1</sup>Category 410-A: only HTS numbers  
5111.11.3000, 5111.11.7030, 5111.11.7060,  
5111.19.2000, 5111.19.6020, 5111.19.6040,  
5111.19.6060, 5111.19.6080, 5111.20.9000,  
5111.30.9000, 5111.90.3000, 5111.90.9000,  
5212.11.1010, 5212.12.1010, 5212.13.1010,  
5212.14.1010, 5212.15.1010, 5212.21.1010,  
5212.22.1010, 5212.23.1010, 5212.24.1010,  
5212.25.1010, 5311.00.2000, 5407.91.0510,  
5407.92.0510, 5407.93.0510, 5407.94.0510,  
5408.31.0510, 5408.32.0510, 5408.33.0510,  
5408.34.0510, 5515.13.0510, 5515.22.0510,  
5515.92.0510, 5516.31.0510, 5516.32.0510,  
5516.33.0510, 5516.34.0510 and  
6301.20.0020.

<sup>2</sup>Category 410-B: only HTS numbers  
 5007.10.6030, 5007.90.6030, 5112.11.3030,  
 5112.11.3060, 5112.11.6030, 5112.11.6060,  
 5112.19.6010, 5112.19.6020, 5112.19.6030,  
 5112.19.6040, 5112.19.6050, 5112.19.6060,  
 5112.19.9510, 5112.19.9520, 5112.19.9530,  
 5112.19.9540, 5112.19.9550, 5112.19.9560,  
 5112.20.3000, 5112.30.3000, 5112.90.3000,  
 5112.90.9010, 5112.90.9090, 5212.11.1020,  
 5212.12.1020, 5212.13.1020, 5212.14.1020,  
 5212.15.1020, 5212.21.1020, 5212.22.1020,  
 5212.23.1020, 5212.24.1020, 5212.25.1020,  
 5309.21.2000, 5309.29.2000, 5407.91.0520,  
 5407.92.0520, 5407.93.0520, 5407.94.0520,  
 5408.31.0520, 5408.32.0520, 5408.33.0520,  
 5408.34.0520, 5515.13.0520, 5515.22.0520,  
 5515.92.0520, 5516.31.0520, 5516.32.0520,  
 5516.33.0520 and 5516.34.0520.

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 2003 shall be charged to the applicable category limits for that year (see directive dated October 8, 2002) 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, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection 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,  
 James C. Leonard III,  
 Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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## COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

### Establishment of Import Limits for Certain Cotton, Wool and Man-Made Fiber Textiles and Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in the Socialist Republic of Vietnam

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:** 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 Bureau of Customs and Border Protection Web site at <http://www.customs.gov>. For information on embargoes and quota re-openings, 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 Bilateral Textile Agreement of July 17, 2000 between the Governments of the United States and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam, establishes limits for certain cotton, wool and man-made fiber textiles and textile products, produced or manufactured in the Socialist Republic of Vietnam and exported during the period January 1, 2004 through December 31, 2004.

Carryforward applied to the 2003 limits has been deducted from all categories. Any categories which did not use all carryforward in 2003 will be re-credited back the unused amount later in 2004.

In the letter published below, the Chairman of CITA directs the Commissioner, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection to establish the 2004 limits.

These limits may be revised if Vietnam becomes a member of the World Trade Organization (WTO) and the United States applies the WTO agreement to Vietnam.

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); and Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended, and the bilateral textile agreement of July 17, 2003, between the Governments of the United States and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam, 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 textiles and textile products in the following categories, produced or manufactured in Vietnam and exported during the twelve-month period beginning on January 1, 2004 and extending through December 31, 2004 in excess of the following levels of restraint:

Category	Restraint limit
200 .....	309,000 kilograms.
301 .....	700,400 kilograms.
332 .....	1,030,000 dozen pairs.
333 .....	37,080 dozen.
334/335 .....	695,250 dozen.
338/339 .....	14,233,333 dozen.
340/640 .....	2,060,000 dozen.
341/641 .....	785,579 dozen.
342/642 .....	571,325 dozen.
345 .....	309,000 dozen.
347/348 .....	7,116,667 dozen.
351/651 .....	496,460 dozen.
352/652 .....	1,905,500 dozen.
359-C/659-C <sup>1</sup> .....	334,750 kilograms.
359-S/659-S <sup>2</sup> .....	540,750 kilograms.
434 .....	15,876 dozen.
435 .....	39,200 dozen.
440 .....	2,450 dozen.
447 .....	50,960 dozen.
448 .....	31,360 dozen.
620 .....	6,554,920 square meters.
632 .....	515,000 dozen pairs.
638/639 .....	1,309,130 dozen.
645/646 .....	206,000 dozen.
647/648 .....	2,032,517 dozen.

<sup>1</sup>Category 359-C: only HTS numbers  
 6103.42.2025, 6103.49.8034, 6104.62.1020,  
 6104.69.8010, 6114.20.0048, 6114.20.0052,  
 6203.42.2010, 6203.42.2090, 6204.62.2010,  
 6211.32.0010, 6211.32.0025 and  
 6211.42.0010; Category 659-C: only HTS  
 numbers 6103.23.0055, 6103.43.2020,  
 6103.43.2025, 6103.49.2000, 6103.49.8038,  
 6104.63.1020, 6104.63.1030, 6104.69.1000,  
 6104.69.8014, 6114.30.3044, 6114.30.3054,  
 6203.43.2010, 6203.43.2090, 6203.49.1010,  
 6203.49.1090, 6204.63.1510, 6204.69.1010,  
 6210.10.9010, 6211.33.0010, 6211.33.0017  
 and 6211.43.0010.

<sup>2</sup>Category 359-S: only HTS numbers  
 6112.39.0010, 6112.49.0010, 6211.11.8010,  
 6211.11.8020, 6211.12.8010 and  
 6211.12.8020; Category 659-S: only HTS  
 numbers 6112.31.0010, 6112.31.0020,  
 6112.41.0010, 6112.41.0020, 6112.41.0030,  
 6112.41.0040, 6211.11.1010, 6211.11.1020,  
 6211.12.1010 and 6211.12.1020.

The limits set forth above are subject to adjustment pursuant to the current bilateral agreement between the Governments of the United States and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam.

Products in the above categories exported during 2003 shall be charged to the applicable category limits for that year (see directive dated May 12, 2003) 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.

These limits may be revised if Vietnam becomes a member of the World Trade