manufactured in Bahrain 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  |
|--|---|
| Group I 237, 239pt. 1, 331pt. 2, 332–336, 338, 339, 340– 342, 345, 347, 348, 351, 352, 359pt. 3, 433–436, 438, 440, 442– 448, 459pt. 4, 631pt. 5, 633–636, 638, 639, 640– 647, 648, 651, 652, 659pt. 6, 845, 846 and 852, as a group. Sublevels in Group I 338/339 | 80,069,154 square meters equivalent.  1,112,625 dozen. 533,818 dozen of which not more than 400,363 dozen shall be in Categories 340–Y/640–Y 7. |

<sup>1</sup> Category 239pt.: only HTS number 6209.20.5040 (diapers).

<sup>2</sup>Category 331pt.: all HTS numbers except 6116.10.1720, 6116.10.4810, 6116.10.5510, 6116.10.7510, 6116.92.6410, 6116.92.6420, 6116.92.6430, 6116.92.6440, 6116.92.7450, 6116.92.7460, 6116.92.7470, 6116.92.8800, 6116.92.9400 and 6116.99.9510.

<sup>3</sup>Category 359pt.: all HTS numbers except 6115.19.8010, 6117.10.6010, 6117.20.9010, 6203.22.1000, 6204.22.1000, 6212.90.0010, 6214.90.0010, 6406.99.1550, 6505.90.1525, 6505.90.1540, 6505.90.2060 and 6505.90.2545.

<sup>4</sup> Category 459pt.: all HTS numbers except 6115.19.8020, 6117.10.1000, 6117.10.2010, 6117.20.9020, 6212.90.0020, 6214.20.0000, 6405.20.6030, 6405.20.6060, 6405.20.6090, 6406.99.1505 and 6406.99.1560.

<sup>5</sup>Category 631pt.: all HTS numbers except 6116.10.1730, 6116.10.4820, 6116.10.5520, 6116.10.7520, 6116.93.8800, 6116.93.9400, 6116.99.4800, 6116.99.5400 and 6116.99.9530.

<sup>6</sup> Category 659pt.: all HTS numbers except 6115.11.0010, 6115.12.2000, 6117.10.2030, 6117.20.9030, 6212.90.0030, 6214.30.0000, 6214.40.0000, 6406.99.1510 and 6406.99.1540.

<sup>7</sup>Category 340–Y: only HTS numbers 6205.20.2015, 6205.20.2020, 6205.20.2046, 6205.20.2050 and 6205.20.2060; Category 640Y: only HTS numbers 6205.30.2010, 6205.30.2020, 6205.30.2050 and 6205.30.2060.

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 September 3, 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 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. [FR Doc. 03–26419 Filed 10–17–03; 8:45 am]

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# COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Announcement of Import Restraint Limits for Certain Cotton and Man-Made Fiber Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Bangladesh

October 14, 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: Ross Arnold, 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 website at <a href="http://www.customs.gov">http://www.customs.gov</a>. For information on embargoes and quota reopenings, refer to the Office of Textiles and Apparel website at <a href="http://otexa.ita.doc.gov">http://otexa.ita.doc.gov</a>.

### 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 Bangladesh and exported during the period January 1, 2004 through December 31, 2004 are based on the 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 limits for the 2004 period. Carryforward applied to the 2003 limits is being deducted from 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 availability of 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

October 14, 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); 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 man-made fiber textile products in the following categories, produced or manufactured in Bangladesh 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           237         883,619 dozen.           331pt. 1         207,754 dozen pairs.           334         269,572 dozen.           335         484,017 dozen.           336/636         866,160 dozen.           338/339         2,509,175 dozen.           340/640         5,672,148 dozen.           341         4,698,862 dozen.           342/642         812,976 dozen.           347/348         4,228,973 dozen.           351/651         1,291,175 dozen.           352/652         19,262,987 dozen.           363         48,127,473 numbers.           369-S 2         3,226,019 kilograms.           634         943,109 dozen.           635         611,024 dozen.           638/639         3,182,095 dozen.           641         1,967,544 dozen.           747,279 dozen. |  |  |
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| 331pt. 1       207,754 dozen pairs.         334       269,572 dozen.         335       484,017 dozen.         336/636       866,160 dozen.         338/339       2,509,175 dozen.         340/640       5,672,148 dozen.         341       4,698,862 dozen.         342/642       812,976 dozen.         347/348       4,228,973 dozen.         351/651       1,291,175 dozen.         352/652       19,262,987 dozen.         363       48,127,473 numbers.         369-S 2       3,226,019 kilograms.         634       943,109 dozen.         635       611,024 dozen.         638/639       3,182,095 dozen.         641       1,967,544 dozen.   | Category   |  |
|   | 331pt. 1 334 335 336/636 338/339 340/640 341 342/642 347/348 351/651 352/652 363 369—S 2 634 635 638/639 641 | 207,754 dozen pairs.<br>269,572 dozen.<br>484,017 dozen.<br>866,160 dozen.<br>2,509,175 dozen.<br>5,672,148 dozen.<br>4,698,862 dozen.<br>812,976 dozen.<br>4,228,973 dozen.<br>1,291,175 dozen.<br>19,262,987 dozen.<br>48,127,473 numbers.<br>3,226,019 kilograms.<br>943,109 dozen.<br>611,024 dozen.<br>3,182,095 dozen.<br>1,967,544 dozen. |

| Category | Twelve-month restraint limit |
|----------|------------------------------|
| 647/648  | 2,659,732 dozen.             |

<sup>1</sup>Category 331pt.: all HTS numbers except 6116.10.1720, 6116.10.4810, 6116.10.5510, 6116.10.7510, 6116.92.6410, 6116.92.6430, 6116.92.6440, 6116.92.7450, 6116.92.7460, 6116.92.7470, 6116.92.8800, 6116.92.9400 and 6116.99.9510.

<sup>2</sup>Category 369–S: only HTS number 6307.10.2005.

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 18, 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.

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,

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, Wool and Man-Made Fiber Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in the Arab Republic of Egypt

October 14, 2003.

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**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 website at http://www.customs.gov. For information on embargoes and quota reopenings, refer to the Office of Textiles and Apparel website at http://

### 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 Egypt 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**

October 14, 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); 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, wool and man-made fiber textile products in the following categories, produced or manufactured in Egypt 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  |  |
|---|---|--|
| Fabric Group<br>218–220, 224–227,<br>313–O <sup>1</sup> , 314–O <sup>2</sup> ,<br>315–O <sup>3</sup> , 317–O <sup>4</sup><br>and 326–O <sup>5</sup> , as a<br>group<br>Sublevels within | 205,916,302 square<br>meters.   |  |
| Fabric Group<br>218   | 2,508,000 square me-<br>ters.   |  |
| 219   | 48,447,510 square<br>meters.  |  |
| 220   | 48,447,510 square meters.   |  |
| 224   | 48,447,510 square meters.   |  |
| 225   | 48,447,510 square meters.   |  |
| 226   | 48,447,510 square meters.   |  |
| 227   | 48,447,510 square meters.   |  |
| 313–O   | 88,963,510 square meters.   |  |
| 314–0   | 48,447,510 square meters.   |  |
| 315–O   | 56,892,347 square meters.   |  |
| 317–0   | 48,447,510 square meters.   |  |
| 326–O   | 2,508,000 square me-<br>ters.   |  |
| Levels not in a group 300/301   | 19,274,099 kilograms<br>of which not more<br>than 6,045,035 kilo-<br>grams shall be in<br>Category 301. |  |
| 338/339<br>340/640<br>369–S <sup>6</sup><br>448   | 5,287,822 dozen.<br>2,190,671 dozen.<br>2,774,069 kilograms.<br>21,315 dozen.                           |  |

- <sup>1</sup> Category 313–O: all HTS numbers except 5208.52.3035, 5208.52.4035 and 5209.51.6032.
- <sup>2</sup> Category 314–O: all HTS numbers except 5209.51.6015.
- <sup>3</sup> Category 315–O: all HTS numbers except 5208.52.4055.
- <sup>4</sup>Category 317–O: all HTS numbers except 5208.59.2085.
- <sup>5</sup> Category 326–O: all HTS numbers except 5208.59.2015, 5209.59.0015 and 5211.59.0015.
- <sup>6</sup> Category 369-S: only HTS number 6307.10.2005.

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