

Any shipment for entry under the Special Access Program which is not accompanied by a valid and correct certification and Export Declaration in accordance with the provisions of the certification requirements established in the directive of January 6, 1995, shall be denied entry unless the Government of El Salvador authorizes the entry and any charges to the appropriate specific limit. Any shipment which is declared for entry under the Special Access Program but found not to qualify shall be denied entry into the United States.

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,

D. Michael Hutchinson,

*Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.*

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### **Announcement of Import Restraint Limits and Guaranteed Access Levels for Certain Cotton, Wool and Man-Made Fiber Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Honduras**

November 19, 1996.

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

**ACTION:** Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs establishing import limits and guaranteed access levels.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** January 1, 1997.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jennifer Aldrich, 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 or call (202) 927-5850. For information on embargoes and quota re-openings, call (202) 482-3715.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

Authority: Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended; section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854); Uruguay Round Agreements Act.

The import restraint limits for textile products, produced or manufactured in Honduras and exported during the period January 1, 1997 through December 31, 1997, are based on limits notified to the Textiles Monitoring Body pursuant to the Uruguay Round Agreements Act and the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (ATC). The Guaranteed Access Levels are being established pursuant to a

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) dated September 15, 1995 between the Governments of the United States and Honduras.

In the letter published below, the Chairman of CITA directs the Commissioner of Customs to establish the 1997 limits and guaranteed access levels.

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 60 FR 65299, published on December 19, 1995). Information regarding the 1997 CORRELATION will be published in the Federal Register at a later date.

Requirements for participation in the Special Access Program are available in Federal Register notices 51 FR 21208, published on June 11, 1986; 52 FR 26057, published on July 10, 1987; 54 FR 50425, published on December 6, 1989; 61 FR 38236, published on July 23, 1996, and 61 FR 49439, published on September 20, 1996.

The letter to the Commissioner of Customs and the actions taken pursuant to it are not designed to implement all of the provisions of the MOU, the Uruguay Round Agreements Act and the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing, but are designed to assist only in the implementation of certain of their provisions.

D. Michael Hutchinson,

*Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.*

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

November 19, 1996.

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), the Uruguay Round Agreements Act and the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (ATC); and in accordance with the provisions of Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended, you are directed to prohibit, effective on January 1, 1997, 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 Honduras and exported during the period beginning on January 1, 1997 and extending through December 31, 1997, in excess of the following restraint limits:

Category	Twelve-month limit
352/652 .....	10,674,200 dozen of which not more than 7,865,200 dozen shall be in Categories 352-K/652-K <sup>1</sup> .
435 .....	14,982 dozen.

<sup>1</sup> Category 352-K: only HTS numbers 6107.11.0010, 6107.11.0020, 6108.19.9010, 6108.21.0010, 6108.21.0020, 6108.91.0005, 6108.91.0015, 6108.91.0025, 6109.10.0005, 6109.10.0007, 6109.10.0009, 6109.10.0037; Category 652-K: 6107.12.0010, 6107.12.0020, 6108.11.0010, 6108.11.0020, 6108.22.9020, 6108.22.9030, 6108.92.0005, 6108.92.0015, 6108.92.0025, 6109.90.1047 and 6109.90.1075.

Imports charged to these category limits for the period January 1, 1996 through December 31, 1996 shall be charged against those levels of restraint to the extent of any unfilled balances. In the event the limits established for that period have been exhausted by previous entries, such goods shall be subject to the levels set forth in this directive.

The limits set forth above are subject to adjustment in the future according to the provisions of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act, the ATC and any administrative arrangements notified to the Textiles Monitoring Body.

Additionally, pursuant to the Special Access Program, as set forth in 51 FR 21208 (June 11, 1986), 52 FR 26057 (July 10, 1987), 54 FR 50425 (December 6, 1989), 61 FR 49439 (September 20, 1996), effective on January 1, 1997, guaranteed access levels are being established for properly certified textile products assembled in Honduras from fabric formed and cut in the United States in textile products in the following categories which are re-exported to the United States from Honduras during the period January 1, 1997 through December 31, 1997 in the following amounts:

Category	Guaranteed Access Level
352/652 .....	50,000,000 dozen.
435 .....	35,000 dozen.

Any shipment for entry under the Special Access Program which is not accompanied by a valid and correct certification and Export Declaration in accordance with the provisions of the certification requirements established in the directive of July 18, 1996 shall be denied entry unless the Government of the Republic of Honduras authorizes the entry and any charges to the appropriate specific limit. Any shipment which is declared for entry under the Special Access Program but found not to qualify shall be denied entry into the United States.

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,

D. Michael Hutchinson,

*Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements*

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**Adjustment of Import Limits and Amendment of Quota and Visa Requirements for Certain Cotton and Man-Made Fiber Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Indonesia**

November 19, 1996.

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

**ACTION:** Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs adjusting limits and amending quota and visa requirements.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** December 1, 1996.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Janet Heinzen, 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 or call (202) 927-6704. For information on embargoes and quota re-openings, call (202) 482-3715.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

Authority: Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended; section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854); Uruguay Round Agreements Act.

In a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) dated November 1, 1996, the Governments of the United States and Indonesia agreed that goods classified in HTS numbers 5516.14.0005, 5516.14.0025, 5516.14.0085 (Category 611), 5408.24.9010, 5408.24.9040 (Category 618); 5408.34.9085 and 5516.24.0085 (Category 629) which are produced or manufactured in Indonesia and imported on or after December 1, 1996 will no longer be subject to quota and visa requirements. The new designations for Categories 611, 618 and 629 will be 611-O, 618-O and 629-O, respectively.

Also, the two governments agreed to increase the 1996 limits for Categories 336/636 and 342/642 for special swing, reducing the limit for Category 618-O to account for the increase.

Effective on December 1, 1996, goods in Categories 611, 618 and 629, produced or manufactured in Indonesia and exported from Indonesia on or after

December 1, 1996 must be accompanied by a 611-O, 618-O or 629-O part-category visa. Goods currently visaed as 625/626/627/628/629 which are exported from Indonesia on or after December 1, 1996 shall be visaed as merged Categories 625/626/627/628/629-O, or the correct category or correct part-category corresponding to the actual shipment. There will be a grace period from December 1, 1996 through December 31, 1996 during which goods exported from Indonesia in Categories 611, 618 and 629 may be accompanied by the whole or new part-category visa. During the grace period merged Categories 625/626/627/628/629 may be accompanied by the whole merged category, the new merged part-category visa, or the correct whole or part category visa corresponding to the actual shipment.

In the letter published below, the Chairman of CITA directs the Commissioner of Customs to adjust limits and amend export quota and visa requirements.

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 60 FR 65299, published on December 19, 1995). Also see 52 FR 20134, published on May 29, 1987; and 60 FR 62410, published on December 6, 1995.

The letter to the Commissioner of Customs and the actions taken pursuant to it are not designed to implement all of the provisions of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act, the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing and the November 1, 1996 MOU, but are designed to assist only in the implementation of certain of their provisions.

D. Michael Hutchinson,  
*Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.*

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

November 19, 1996.

Commissioner of Customs,  
*Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20229.*

Dear Commissioner: This directive amends, but does not cancel, the directive issued to you on November 30, 1995, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. That directive concerns imports of certain cotton, wool, man-made fiber, silk blend and other vegetable fiber textiles and textile products, produced or manufactured in Indonesia and exported during the twelve-month period which began on January 1, 1996 and extends through December 31, 1996.

Effective on December 1, 1996, goods classified in HTS numbers 5516.14.0005, 5516.14.0025, 5516.14.0085 (Category 611), 5408.24.9010, 5408.24.9040 (Category 618); 5408.34.9085 and 5516.24.0085 (Category 629) which are produced or manufactured in Indonesia and imported on or after December 1, 1996 will no longer be subject to quota and visa requirements, pursuant to a Memorandum of Understanding dated November 1, 1996 between the Governments of the United States and Indonesia and under the terms of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act and the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing. The new designations for Categories 611, 618 and 629 will be 611-O<sup>1</sup>, 618-O<sup>2</sup> and 629-O<sup>3</sup>, respectively.

Also effective on December 1, 1996, you are directed to adjust the current limits for the following categories:

Category	Adjusted twelve-month limit <sup>1</sup>
Levels in Group I	
336/636 .....	615,844 dozen.
342/642 .....	384,088 dozen.
618-O .....	1,113,422 square meters.

<sup>1</sup> The limits have not been adjusted to account for any imports exported after December 31, 1995.

Effective on December 1, 1996, you are directed to amend further, the directive dated May 19, 1987, to require a part-category visa for Categories 611-O, 618-O and 629-O, produced or manufactured in Indonesia and exported from Indonesia on or after December 1, 1996. Goods currently visaed as 625/626/627/628/629 which are exported from Indonesia on or after December 1, 1996 shall be visaed as merged Categories 625/626/627/628/629-O, or the correct category or correct part-category corresponding to the actual shipment. There will be a grace period from December 1, 1996 through December 31, 1996 during which goods exported from Indonesia in Categories 611, 618 and 629 may be accompanied by the whole or new part-category visa. During the grace period goods in merged Categories 625/626/627/628/629 may be accompanied by the whole merged category, the new merged part-category visa, or the correct whole or part category visa corresponding to the actual shipment.

Shipments entered or withdrawn from warehouse according to this directive which are not accompanied by an appropriate export visa shall be denied entry and a new visa must be obtained.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that these actions fall within the foreign affairs

<sup>1</sup> Category 611-O: all HTS numbers except 5516.14.0005, 5516.14.0025 and 5516.14.0085.

<sup>2</sup> Category 618-O: all HTS numbers except 5408.24.9010 and 5408.24.9040.

<sup>3</sup> Category 629-O: all HTS numbers except 5408.34.9085 and 5516.24.0085.