

Category	Twelve-month restraint limit
659(1) (coveralls, overalls and jumpsuits).	697,559 kilograms.
659(2) (swimsuits) ....	286,743 kilograms.
443/444/643/644/843/844(1) (made-to-measure suits).	58,408 numbers.
Group II subgroup	
336, 341, 342, 350, 351, 636, 640, 642 and 651, as a group.	159,010,659 square meters equivalent.
Within Group II subgroup	
336 .....	235,932 dozen.
341 .....	2,840,564 dozen.
342 .....	568,500 dozen.
350 .....	141,744 dozen.
351 .....	1,199,726 dozen.
636 .....	317,522 dozen.
640 .....	982,847 dozen.
642 .....	252,506 dozen.
651 .....	343,870 dozen.
Group III	
831, 833-838, 840-844, 847-858 and 859pt. <sup>18</sup> , as a group.	45,395,915 square meters equivalent.
Sublevels in Group III	
834 .....	12,922 dozen.
835 .....	114,777 dozen.
836 .....	169,543 dozen.
840 .....	681,791 dozen.
842 .....	267,161 dozen.
847 .....	366,146 dozen.
Limits not in a group	
845(1) <sup>19</sup> (sweaters made in Hong Kong).	1,129,466 dozen.
845(2) <sup>20</sup> (sweaters assembled in Hong Kong from knit-to-shape components, knit elsewhere).	2,703,514 dozen.
846(1) <sup>21</sup> (sweaters made in Hong Kong).	182,645 dozen.
846(2) <sup>22</sup> (sweaters assembled in Hong Kong from knit-to-shape components, knit elsewhere).	440,107 dozen.

<sup>1</sup>Category 369(1): only HTS number 6307.10.2005.

<sup>2</sup>Category 369pt.: all HTS numbers except 5601.10.1000, 5601.21.0090, 5701.90.1020, 5701.90.2020, 5702.10.9020, 5702.39.2010, 5702.49.1020, 5702.49.1080, 5702.59.1000, 5702.99.1010, 5702.99.1090, 5705.00.2020, 6406.10.7700 and HTS number in 369(1).

<sup>3</sup>Category 469pt.: all HTS numbers except 5601.29.0020, 5603.94.1010 and 6406.10.9020.

<sup>4</sup>Category 669pt.: all HTS numbers except 5601.10.2000, 5601.22.0090, 5607.49.3000, 5607.50.4000 and 6406.10.9040.

<sup>5</sup>Category 218(1): all HTS numbers except 5209.42.0060, 5209.42.0080, 5211.42.0060, 5211.42.0080, 5514.32.0015 and 5516.43.0015.

<sup>6</sup>Category 239pt.: only HTS number 6209.20.5040 (diapers).

<sup>7</sup>Category 359(1): 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.

<sup>8</sup>Category 359(2): only HTS numbers 6103.19.2030, 6103.19.9030, 6104.12.0040, 6104.19.8040, 6110.20.1022, 6110.20.1024, 6110.20.2030, 6110.20.2035, 6110.90.9044, 6110.90.9046, 6201.92.2010, 6202.92.2020, 6203.19.1030, 6203.19.9030, 6204.12.0040, 6204.19.8040, 6211.32.0070 and 6211.42.0070.

<sup>9</sup>Category 359pt.: all HTS numbers except 6406.99.1550 and HTS numbers in 359(1) and 359(2).

<sup>10</sup>Category 459pt.: all HTS numbers except 6405.20.6030, 6405.20.6060, 6405.20.6090, 6406.99.1505 and 6406.99.1560.

<sup>11</sup>Category 659(1): 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>12</sup>Category 659(2): 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.

<sup>13</sup>Category 659pt.: all HTS numbers except 6406.99.1510, 6406.99.1540 and HTS numbers in 659(1) and 659(2).

<sup>14</sup>Categories 338/339: all HTS numbers except 6109.10.0018, 6109.10.0023, 6109.10.0060, 6109.10.0065, 6114.20.0005 and 6114.20.0010.

<sup>15</sup>Category 338/339(1): only HTS numbers 6109.10.0018, 6109.10.0023, 6109.10.0060, 6109.10.0065, 6114.20.0005 and 6114.20.0010.

<sup>16</sup>Category 347-W: only HTS numbers 6203.19.1020, 6203.19.9020, 6203.22.3020, 6203.22.3030, 6203.42.4005, 6203.42.4010, 6203.42.4015, 6203.42.4025, 6203.42.4035, 6203.42.4045, 6203.42.4050, 6203.42.4060, 6203.49.8020, 6210.40.9033, 6211.20.1520, 6211.20.3810 and 6211.32.0040; Category

348-W: only HTS numbers 6204.12.0030, 6204.19.8030, 6204.22.3040, 6204.22.3050, 6204.29.4034, 6204.62.3000, 6204.62.4005, 6204.62.4010, 6204.62.4020, 6204.62.4030, 6204.62.4040, 6204.62.4050, 6204.62.4055, 6204.69.6010, 6204.69.9010, 6210.50.9060, 6211.20.1550, 6211.20.6820, 6211.43.0040 and 6217.90.9050.

<sup>17</sup>Category 648-W: only HTS numbers 6204.23.0040, 6204.23.0045, 6204.29.2020, 6204.29.2025, 6204.29.4038, 6204.63.2000, 6204.63.3000, 6204.63.3510, 6204.63.3530, 6204.63.3532, 6204.63.3540, 6204.69.2510, 6204.69.2530, 6204.69.2540, 6204.69.2560, 6204.69.6030, 6204.69.9030, 6210.50.5035, 6211.20.1555, 6211.20.6820, 6211.43.0040 and 6217.90.9060.

<sup>18</sup>Category 859pt.: only HTS numbers 6115.19.8040, 6117.10.6020, 6212.10.5030, 6212.10.9040, 6212.20.0030, 6212.30.0030, 6212.90.0090, 6214.10.2000 and 6214.90.0090.

<sup>19</sup>Category 845(1): only HTS numbers 6103.29.2074, 6104.29.2079, 6110.90.9024, 6110.90.9042 and 6117.90.9015.

<sup>20</sup>Category 845(2): only HTS numbers 6103.29.2070, 6104.29.2077, 6110.90.9022 and 6110.90.9040.

<sup>21</sup>Category 846(1): only HTS numbers 6103.29.2068, 6104.29.2075, 6110.90.9020 and 6110.90.9038.

<sup>22</sup>Category 846(2): only HTS numbers 6103.29.2066, 6104.29.2073, 6110.90.9018 and 6110.90.9036.

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 1997 shall be charged to the applicable category limits for that year (see directive dated December 5, 1996) 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.

Products for integration in 1998 listed in the **Federal Register** notice published on May 1, 1995 (60 FR 21075) which are exported during 1997 shall be charged to the applicable limits to the extent of any unfilled balances. After January 1, 1998, should those unfilled balances be exhausted, such products shall no longer be charged to any limit, due to integration of these products into GATT 1994.

CITA has informed Hong Kong of its intent to continue the bilateral visa arrangement for those products. An export visa will continue to be required, if applicable, for products integrated on and after January 1, 1998, before entry is permitted into the United States.

The conversion factors for merged Categories 333/334, 633/634/635 and 638/639 are 33, 33.90 and 13, respectively. The conversion factor for Category 239pt. is 8.79.

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,

J. Hayden Boyd,

*Acting 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, Man-Made Fiber, Silk Blend and Other Vegetable Fiber Textiles and Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in India

December 22, 1997.

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

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

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** January 1, 1998.

**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) 927-5850. 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 India and exported during the period January 1, 1998 through December 31, 1998 are based on limits notified to the Textiles Monitoring Body pursuant to the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (ATC).

Pursuant to the provisions of the ATC, the second stage of the integration commences on January 1, 1998 (see 60 FR 21075, published on May 1, 1995). Accordingly, certain previously restrained categories may have been modified or eliminated and certain limits may have been revised. Integrated products will no longer be subject to quota. CITA has informed India of its intent to continue the bilateral visa arrangement for those products.

In the letter published below, the Chairman of CITA directs the Commissioner of Customs to establish the 1998 limits.

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 62 FR 66057, published on December 17, 1997. Also see 62 FR 51832, published on October 3, 1997; and 62 FR 60826, published on November 13, 1997.

**J. Hayden Boyd,**

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

**Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements**

December 22, 1997.

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, 1998, entry into the United States for consumption and withdrawal from warehouse for consumption of cotton, man-made fiber, silk blend and other vegetable fiber textiles and textile products in the following categories, produced or manufactured in India and exported during the twelve-month period beginning on January 1, 1998 and extending through December 31, 1998, in excess of the following levels of restraint:

Category	Twelve-month restraint limit
Levels in Group I	
218 .....	14,307,430 square meters.
219 .....	66,259,880 square meters.
313 .....	38,281,386 square meters.
314 .....	7,888,081 square meters.
315 .....	13,248,816 square meters.
317 .....	40,003,022 square meters.
326 .....	9,091,596 square meters.
334/634 .....	140,994 dozen.
335/635 .....	627,703 dozen.
336/636 .....	879,834 dozen.
338/339 .....	3,939,692 dozen.
340/640 .....	1,995,483 dozen.
341 .....	4,228,602 dozen of which not more than 2,537,160 dozen shall be in Category 341-Y <sup>1</sup> .
342/642 .....	1,271,100 dozen.
345 .....	191,272 dozen.
347/348 .....	615,384 dozen.
351/651 .....	268,686 dozen.
363 .....	44,711,478 numbers.
369-D <sup>2</sup> .....	1,315,188 kilograms.
369-S <sup>3</sup> .....	717,375 kilograms.
641 .....	1,479,886 dozen.
647/648 .....	859,356 dozen.
Group II	
200, 201, 220-227, 237, 239pt. <sup>4</sup> , 300, 301, 331-333, 350, 352, 359pt. <sup>5</sup> , 360-362, 600-604, 606 <sup>6</sup> , 607, 611-629, 631, 633, 638, 639, 643-646, 649, 650, 652, 659pt. <sup>7</sup> , 666, 669pt. <sup>8</sup> , 670, 831, 833-838, 840-858 and 859pt. <sup>9</sup> , as a group.	112,085,570 square meters equivalent.

<sup>1</sup>Category 341-Y: only HTS numbers 6204.22.3060, 6206.30.3010, 6206.30.3030 and 6211.42.0054.

<sup>2</sup>Category 369-D: only HTS numbers 6302.60.0010, 6302.91.0005 and 6302.91.0045.

<sup>3</sup>Category 369-S: only HTS number 6307.10.2005.

<sup>4</sup>Category 239pt.: only HTS number 6209.20.5040 (diapers).

<sup>5</sup>Category 359pt.: all HTS numbers except 6406.99.1550.

<sup>6</sup>Category 606: all HTS numbers except 5403.31.0040 (for administrative purposes Category 606 is designated as 606(1)).

<sup>7</sup>Category 659pt.: all HTS numbers except 6406.99.1510 and 6406.99.1540.

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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 1997 shall be charged to the applicable category limits for that year (see directive dated December 20, 1996) 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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