Authorization

For the above reasons, NMFS has issued an incidental harassment authorization for a period of time not to exceed 1 year for launches of Delta II, Titan II, Titan IV, and Taurus launch vehicles at Vandenberg provided the monitoring and reporting requirements currently in effect are continued.

Dated: December 19, 1997.

Hilda Diaz-Soltero,

Director, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service. [FR Doc. 97–33642 Filed 12-24-97; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3510–22–F

COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS

1998 National Capital Arts and Cultural Affairs Program

Notice is hereby given that Pub. L. 105–83, as amended, authorizing the National Capital Arts and Cultural Affairs Program, has been funded for 1998 in the amount of \$7,000,000.00. All requests for information and applications for grants should be addressed to: Charles H. Atherton, Secretary, Commission of Fine Arts, Pension Building, Suite 312, 441 F Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20001; Phone: 202–504–2200.

Deadlines for receipt of submission of grants applications is 2 March 1998.

This program provides grants for general operating support of organizations whose primary purpose is performing, exhibiting, and/or presenting the arts. To be eligible for these grants, organizations must be located in the District of Columbia, must be not-for-profit, non-academic institutions of demonstrated national repute, and must have annual income, exclusive of federal funds, in excess of one million dollars for the current year and for the past three years.

Charles H. Atherton,

Secretary.

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Announcement of Import Restraint Limits for Certain Cotton, Wool, Man-Made Fiber, Silk Blend and Other Vegetable Fiber Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Bahrain

December 19, 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 Bahrain 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 Bahrain 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 limits for the 1998 period.

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 61 FR 66263, published on December 17, 1996). Also see 62 FR 51832, published on October 3, 1997. Information regarding the 1998 CORRELATION will be published in the **Federal Register** at a later date. **Troy H. Cribb**,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

December 19, 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, wool, man-made fiber, silk blend and other vegetable fiber textile products in the following categories, produced or manufactured in Bahrain 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
Group I 237, 239pt. ¹ , 331– 336, 338, 339, 340–342, 345, 347, 348, 350– 352, 359pt. ² , 431, 433–436, 438, 440, 442–448, 459pt. ³ , 631, 633– 636, 638, 639, 640–647, 648, 649, 650–652, 659pt. ⁴ , 831, 833– 836, 838, 840, 842–847, 850– 852, 858 and 859pt. ⁵ , as a group. Sublevels in Group I 338/339	 43,267,869 square meters equivalent. 601,216 dozen. 288,453 dozen of which not more than 216,339 dozen shall be in Categories 340–Y/640–Y ⁶.

¹ Category 239pt.: only HTS number 6209.20.5040 (diapers).

²Category 359pt.: all HTS numbers except 6406.99.1550.

³Category 459pt.: all HTS numbers except 6405.20.6030, 6405.20.6060, 6405.20.6090, 6406.99.1505 and 6406.99.1560.

⁴Category 659pt.: all HTS numbers except 6406.99.1510 and 6406.99.1540.

⁵Category 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. ⁶Category 340–Y: only HTS numbers 6205.20.2015, 6205.20.2020, 6205.20.2046, 6205.20.2050 and 6205.20.2060; Category 640–Y: 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 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.

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 Bahrain 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.

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 to the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,

Troy H. Cribb,

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 Federative Republic of Brazil

December 19, 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: 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 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 Brazil 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 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 60 FR 66263, published on December 17, 1996). Also see 62 FR 51832, published on October 3, 1997. Information regarding the 1998 CORRELATION will be published in the **Federal Register** at a later date.

Troy H. Cribb,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

December 19, 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, wool and man-made fiber textile products in the following categories, produced or manufactured in Brazil 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
Aggregate Limit 200–227, 237, 239pt. 1, 300–326, 331–348, 350– 352, 359pt. ² , 360– 363, 369–D ³ , 369pt. ⁴ , 400–431, 433–438, 440– 448, 459pt. ⁵ , 464, 469pt. ⁶ , 600–629, 631, 633–652, 659pt. ⁷ , 666, 669– P ⁸ , 669pt. ⁹ and 670, as a group. Sublevels within the aggregate	500,650,808 square meters equivalent.
218	6,221,165 square me- ters.
219 225	22,712,779 square meters. 10,887,040 square
300/301 313	meters. 8,437,331 kilograms. 52,246,740 square meters. 8,554,104 square me-
315	ters. 25,662,311 square
317/326	meters. 23,329,372 square
334/335 336 338/339/638/639 342/642 347/348 350 361 363 369–D 410/624	meters. 167,409 dozen. 93,006 dozen. 1,674,103 dozen. 492,929 dozen. 1,209,074 dozen. 1,264,877 numbers. 26,995,523 numbers. 602,939 kilograms. 12,442,332 square meters of which not
433 445/446 604 607 647/648	more than 2,696,502 square meters shall be in Category 410. 18,719 dozen. 73,328 dozen. 590,613 kilograms of which not more than 451,398 kilograms shall be in Category 604–A ¹⁰ . 5,484,267 kilograms. 558,035 dozen.
<u>669–P</u>	2,009,800 kilograms.

¹Category 239pt.: only HTS number 6209.20.5040 (diapers).

²Category 359pt.: all HTS numbers except 6406.99.1550.

³ Category 369–D: only HTS numbers 6302.60.0010, 6302.91.0005 and 6302.91.0045.