

of cotton, wool and man-made fiber textile products in the following categories, produced or manufactured in Singapore 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
222	503,778 kilograms.
237	280,220 dozen.
239pt. ¹	181,097 kilograms.
331	497,698 dozen pairs.
334	74,917 dozen.
335	225,354 dozen.
338/339	1,386,289 dozen of which not more than 810,160 dozen shall be in Category 338 and not more than 900,797 dozen shall be in Category 339.
340	970,197 dozen.
341	243,957 dozen.
342	150,126 dozen.
347/348	1,054,610 dozen of which not more than 659,131 dozen shall be in Category 347 and not more than 512,658 dozen shall be in Category 348.
435	6,912 dozen.
604	943,438 kilograms.
631	562,977 dozen pairs.
634	286,023 dozen.
635	292,699 dozen
638	1,050,516 dozen.
639	3,554,289 dozen.
640	206,837 dozen.
641	337,373 dozen.
642	331,267 dozen.
645/646	161,122 dozen.
647	628,872 dozen.
648	1,551,976 dozen.

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

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 October 28, 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 Singapore 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 of 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 and Wool Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in the Republic of Uruguay

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

Uruguay 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).

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 61 FR 66263, published on December 17, 1996). 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), as amended, 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 and wool textile products in the following categories, produced or manufactured in Uruguay 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
334	154,726 dozen.
335	133,197 dozen.
410	2,904,423 square meters of which not more than 1,659,673 square meters shall be in Category 410-A ¹ and not more than 2,673,912 square meters shall be in Category 410-B ² .
433	17,343 dozen.
434	25,873 dozen.
435	52,253 dozen.

Category	Twelve-month restraint limit
442	36,964 dozen.

¹Category 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; Category 410-B: only HTS
 numbers 5007.10.6030, 5007.90.6030,
 5112.11.2030, 5112.11.2060, 5112.19.9010,
 5112.19.9020, 5112.19.9030, 5112.19.9040,
 5112.19.9050, 5112.19.9060, 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 1997 shall be charged to the applicable category limits for that year (see directive dated November 4, 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.

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,

Troy H. Cribb,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Applications of the CME for Designation as a Contract Market in Futures and Options on Frozen Pork Bellies

AGENCY: Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

ACTION: Notice of availability of terms and conditions of proposed commodity futures and options contract.

SUMMARY: The Chicago Mercantile Exchange (CME or Exchange) applied for designation as a contract market in futures and options on frozen pork bellies. The Director of the Division of Economic Analysis (Division) of the Commission, acting pursuant to the authority delegated by Commission Regulation 140.96, has determined that publication of the proposals for comment is in the public interest, will assist the Commission in considering the views of interested persons, and is consistent with the purposes of the Commodity Exchange Act.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before January 28, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons should submit their views and comments to Jean A. Webb, Secretary, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street, NW, Washington, DC 20581. In addition, comments may be sent by facsimile transmission to facsimile number (202) 418-5521 or by electronic mail to secretary@cftc.gov. Reference should be made to the CME frozen pork bellies contracts.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Please contact Fred Linse of the Division of Economic Analysis, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street, NW, Washington, DC 20581, telephone 202-418-5273. Facsimile number: (202) 418-5527. Electronic mail: flinse@cftc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The CME stated that:

In the eight months that have passed since the Fresh Pork Bellies futures contract began trading, the Exchange has become aware of a relatively small but still significant demand for a Frozen Pork Bellies contract. Just as the Exchange earlier acknowledged the difficulty of hedging fresh bellies with a frozen-based futures contract, it now recognizes the difficulty of hedging frozen bellies with a fresh-based futures contract. Therefore, the Exchange has decided to pursue a second, separate futures contract for Frozen Pork Bellies that could be listed and traded independent of the Fresh Pork Bellies futures contract. This proposed "new" Frozen Pork Bellies futures contract is identical to the existing Frozen Pork Bellies futures contract.

Copies of the terms and conditions will be available for inspection at the Office of the Secretariat, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street, NW, Washington, DC 20581. Copies of the terms and conditions can be obtained through the Office of the Secretariat by

mail at the above address or by phone at (202) 418-5100.

Other materials submitted by the CME in support of the applications for contract market designation may be available upon request pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552) and the Commission's regulations thereunder (17 CFR part 145 (1987)), except to the extent they are entitled to confidential treatment as set forth in 17 CFR 145.5 and 145.9. Requests for copies of such materials should be made to the FOI, rivacy and Sunshine Act Compliance Staff of the Office of Secretariat at the Commission's headquarters in accordance with 17 CFR 145.7 and 145.8.

Any person interested in submitting written data, views, or arguments on the proposed terms and conditions, or with respect to other materials submitted by the CME, should send such comments to Jean A. Webb, Secretary, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street, NW, Washington, DC 20581 by the specified date.

Issued in Washington, DC, on December 19, 1997.

John R. Mielke,

Acting Director.

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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Application of the NYFE for Designation as a Contract Market in Futures on the NYSE Small Composite Index

AGENCY: Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

ACTION: Notice of availability of terms and conditions of proposed commodity futures contract.

SUMMARY: The New York Futures Exchange (NYFE or Exchange) applied for designation as a contract market in futures on the NYSE small composite index.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before January 8, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons should submit their views and comments to Jean A. Webb, Secretary, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 21st Street, NW Washington, DC 20581. In addition, comments may be sent by facsimile transmission to facsimile number (202) 418-5521, or by electronic mail to secretary@cftc.gov. Reference should be made to the NYFE small composite index contract.