see 68 FR 26575, published on May 16, 2003.

#### D. Michael Hutchinson,

Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

# Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

September 26, 2003.

Commissioner,

Bureau of Customs and Border Protection, Washington, DC 20229

Dear Commissioner: This directive amends, but does not cancel, the directive issued to you on May 12, 2003, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. That directive concerns imports of certain cotton, wool and man—made fiber textiles and textile products, produced or manufactured in Vietnam and exported during the twelve-month period which began on May 1, 2003 and extends through December 31, 2003.

Effective on October 2, 2003, you are directed to adjust the limits for the following categories, as provided for under the terms of the current bilateral textile agreement between the Governments of the United States and Vietnam:

Category	Restraint limit <sup>1</sup>
332 347/348 352/652 632 647/648	6,667 dozen pairs. 5,320,000 dozen. 1,179,794 dozen. 13,333 dozen pairs. 1,473,411 dozen.

<sup>1</sup>The limits have not been adjusted to account for any imports exported after April 30, 2003.

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,

D. Michael Hutchinson,

Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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# COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Adjustment of Import Limits for Certain Cotton, Wool and Man-Made Fiber Textiles and Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in the Socialist Republic of Vietnam

September 26, 2003.

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

**ACTION:** Issuing a directive to the Commissioner, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** October 2, 2003.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Naomi Freeman, 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 re-openings, refer to the Office of Textiles and Apparel website at http://otexa.ita.doc.gov.

### 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 current limits for certain categories are being adjusted for swing.

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). Also see 68 FR 26575, published on May 16, 2003.

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Category	Restraint limit 1
340/640 345 448 645/646	224 000 dozen

<sup>1</sup>The limits have not been adjusted to account for any imports exported after April 30, 2003.

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.

D. Michael Hutchinson,

Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

# Office of the Secretary

# Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs.

**ACTION:** Notice.

In accordance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs announced the proposed extension of a currently approved collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed extension of collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Consideration will be given to all comments received on or before December 1, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations on the information collection should be sent to TRICARE Management Activity—Aurora, Office of Program Requirements Division, 16401 E. Centretech Parkway, ATTN: Graham Kolb, Aurora, CO 80011–9043.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection, please write to the above address or call TRICARE Management Activity, Office of Program Requirements Division at (303) 676–3580.

Title, Associated Form, and OMB Number: Health Insurance Claim Form, HCFA–1500, OMB Number 0720–0001

Needs and Uses: This information collection requirement is used by TRICARE to determine reimbursement for health care services or supplies rendered by individual professional providers to TRICARE beneficiaries. The requested information is used to determine beneficiary eligibility, appropriations and costs of care, other health insurance liability and whether services received are benefits. Use of this form continues TRICARE commitments to use the national standard claim form for reimbursement of services/supplies provided by individual professional providers.

Affected Public: Business or other form profit, State, local or tribal government, Federal government and not for profit institutions.

Annual Burden Hours: 5,600,000. Number of Respondents: 22,400,000. Responses per Respondent: 1. Average Burden per Response: 15 minutes.

Frequency: On occasion.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

# **Summary of Information Collection**

This collection instrument is for is for use by health care providers under the TRICARE Program. TRICARE is a health benefits entitlement program for the dependents of active duty Uniformed Services member and deceased sponsors, retirees and their dependents, dependents of Department of Transportation (Coast Guard) sponsors, and certain North Atlantic Treaty Organizations, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and Public Health Service eligible beneficiaries. The Form HCFA 1500 is used by individual professional health care or health care related providers to file for reimbursement of civilian health care services or supplies provided to TRICARE beneficiaries. This is the national standard claim from accepted by all major commercial and government payers.

Dated: September 22, 2003.

# Patricia L. Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register, Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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# **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

# Office of the Secretary

# Meeting of the Advisory Council on Dependents' Education

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA). **ACTION:** Open meeting notice.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Appendix 2 of title 5, United States Code, Public Law

92-463, notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Advisory Council on Dependents' Education (ACDE) is scheduled to be held on October 3,2003, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Hotel Oranien Wiesbaden, Platter Strasse 2, Wiesbaden, Germany. The purpose of the ACDE is to recommend to the Director, DoDEA, general policies for the operation of the Department of Defense Dependents Schools (DoDDS); to provide the Director with information about effective educational programs and practices that should be considered by DoDDS; and to perform other tasks as may be required by the Secretary of Defense. The meeting emphases will be on the current operational qualities of 15 schools in DoDDS, the institutionalized school improvement processes in DoDDS and other educational matters. For further information contact Mr. Jim Jarrard, at 703-696-4471, extension 1964.

Dated: September 24, 2003.

# Patricia L. Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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# **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

# Office of the Secretary

## **Defense Science Board**

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense. **ACTION:** Notice of advisory committee meetings.

**SUMMARY:** The Defense Science Board Task Force on Enabling Joint Force Capabilities will tentatively meet in closed session October 24, 2003, at IDA, 4850 Mark Center Drive, Alexandria, VA: and October 30, 2003, at Joint Forces Command, Norfolk, VA. This Task Force will review the current state of assigned responsibilities and accountability for joint capabilities to quickly bring combat forces together and focus them on joint objectives across a wide spectrum of possible contingencies and will help identify unfilled needs and areas where assigned responsibility and accountability calls for further clarification and/or organizational arrangements.

The mission of the Defense Science Board is to advise the Secretary of Defense and the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology & Logistics on scientific and technical matters as they affect the perceived needs of the Department of Defense. At these meetings, the Defense Science Board Task Force will identify specific characteristics and examples of organizations that could be capable of accepting responsibility and accountability for delivering the capability with needed responsiveness, and will recommend further steps to strengthen the joint structure ability to quickly integrate service-provided force capabilities into effective joint forces.

În accordance with Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, P.L. No. 92–463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. II), it has been determined that the Defense Science Board Task Force meetings concern matters listed in 5 U.S.C. § 552b(c)(1) and that, accordingly, the meetings will be closed to the public.

Dated: September 25, 2003.

## Patricia L. Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

# Office of the Secretary

### **Defense Science Board**

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense. **ACTION:** Notice of advisory committee meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Defense Science Board Task Force on Quarantining Guidance for the Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS) Epidemic will meet in open session October 27, 2003, from 0930-1200 and from 1300-1500. The Task Force will meet at SAIC, 4001 N. Fairfax Drive, Suite 500, Arlington, VA. The Task Force will review the impact quarantining may have on DoD planning and operations by preventing the flow of personnel and material to areas of concern, eroding relationships with host countries, and impacting our forces through anxieties about family members.

The mission of the Defense Science Board is to advise the Secretary of Defense and the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology & Logistics on scientific and technical matters as they affect the perceived needs of the Department of Defense. At this meeting, the Defense Science Board Task Force will review and evaluate the Department's ability to provide information to integrate public health needs, on behalf of national security. Specifically, the Task Force will review: Existing doctrine and processes by which quarantine policy is generated; required cooperation with non-DoD