

selection of private sector participants in the delegation will be conducted according to the Statement of Policy Governing Department of Commerce Overseas Trade Missions announced by Secretary Daley on March 3, 1997 and reflected herein.

#### Time Frame for Application

Applications may be submitted after December 15th to Cheryl Bruner, Director of the Office of Business Liaison or Eric Schwerrin, Room 5062, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230. Phone (202) 482-1360, Fax (202) 482-4054. All applications must be received by December 29, 1997. Applications received after December 29th will be considered on a space available basis.

Dated: December 11, 1997.

**Susanne L. Lotarski,**

*Director, Office of Eastern Europe, Russia and the Newly Independent States.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

##### National Institute of Standards and Technology

##### Announcement of Meeting of National Conference on Weights and Measures

**AGENCY:** National Institute of Standards and Technology, Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the Interim Meeting of the National Conference on Weights and Measures will be held January 11 through 15, 1998, at the St. Anthony Hotel, San Antonio, TX. The meeting is open to the public. The National Conference on Weights and Measures is an organization of weights and measures enforcement officials of the States, counties, and cities of the United States, and private sector representatives. The interim meeting of the conference, as well as the annual meeting to be held next July (a notice will be published in the **Federal Register** prior to such meeting), brings together enforcement officials, other government officials, and representatives of business, industry, trade associations, and consumer organizations to discuss subjects that relate to the field of weights and measures technology and administration.

Pursuant to (15 U.S.C. 272B), the National Institute of Standards and Technology acts as a sponsor of the National Conference on Weights and Measures in order to promote

uniformity among the States in the complex of laws, regulations, methods, and testing equipment that comprises regulatory control by the States of commercial weighing and measuring.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held January 11-15, 1998.

**LOCATION OF MEETING:** St Anthony Hotel, San Antonio, TX.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Dr. Gilbert Ugiansky, Executive Secretary, National Conference on Weights and Measures, P.O. Box 4025, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20885. Telephone: (301) 975-4004, or E-mail: owm@nist.gov.

Dated: December 5, 1997.

**Elaine Buntin-Mines,**

*Director, Program Office.*

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#### COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

##### Adjustment of Import Limits for Certain Cotton and Man-Made Fiber Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in India

December 10, 1997.

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

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

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** December 12, 1997.

#### 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 current limits for certain categories are being adjusted, variously, for shift and carryforward.

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 61 FR 68143, published on December 27, 1996.

**Troy H. Cribb,**

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

#### Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

December 10, 1997.

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 December 20, 1996, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. That directive concerns imports of certain cotton, man-made fiber, silk blend and other vegetable fiber textiles and textile products, produced or manufactured in India and exported during the twelve-month period which began on January 1, 1997 and extends through December 31, 1997.

Effective on December 12, 1997, you are directed to adjust the limits for the following categories, as provided for under the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing:

Category	Adjusted twelve-month level <sup>1</sup>
334/634 .....	153,057 dozen.
342/642 .....	1,189,071 dozen.
369-S <sup>2</sup> .....	549,831 kilograms.

<sup>1</sup> The limits have not been adjusted to account for any imports exported after December 31, 1996.

<sup>2</sup> Category 369-S: only HTS number 6307.10.2005.

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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#### DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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##### Emergency Immigrant Education Program; Notice Inviting Applications for New Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 1998

**Purpose of Program:** This program provides grants to State educational agencies (SEAs) to assist local educational agencies (LEAs) that experience unexpectedly large increases in their student population due to immigration. These grants are to be used to provide high-quality instruction to immigrant children and youth and to help those children and youth make the

transition into American society and meet the same challenging State performance standards expected of all children and youth.

**Eligible Applicants:** State educational agencies.

**Deadline for Transmittal of Applications:** March 16, 1998.

**Deadline for Intergovernmental Review:** May 15, 1998.

**Applications Available:** January 5, 1998.

**Available Funds:** \$150 million.

**Note:** The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

**Project Period:** Up to 17 months.

**Applicable Regulations:** (a) The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in 34 CFR parts 76, 77, 79, 80, 81, 82, and 85; and (b) 34 CFR part 299, General Provisions, Elementary and Secondary Education Act, published on May 22, 1997 in the **Federal Register** (62 FR 28247).

**Programmatic Information:** An SEA is eligible for a grant if it meets the eligibility requirements specified in sections 7304 and 7305 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (the Act), as amended by the Improving America's School's Act of 1994 (Pub. L. 103-382, enacted October 20, 1994). (20 U.S.C. 7544 and 7545). In order to receive an award under this program, an SEA must provide a count, taken during February 1998, of the number of immigrant children and youth enrolled in public and nonpublic schools in eligible LEAs in accordance with the requirements specified in section 7304 of the Act. An eligible LEA is one in which the number of immigrant children and youth enrolled in the public and nonpublic elementary and secondary schools within the district is at least either 500 or 3 percent of the total number of students enrolled in those public and nonpublic schools. (20 U.S.C. 7544(b)(2)). Under section 7501(7) of the Act, the term "immigrant children and youth" means individuals who are aged 3 through 21, were not born in any State, and have not been attending one or more schools in any one or more States for more than 3 full academic years. (20 U.S.C. 7601(7)).

**FOR APPLICATIONS OR INFORMATION**

**CONTACT:** Ms. Harpreet Sandhu, U.S. Department of Education, 600 Independence Avenue, S.W., Room 5086, Switzer Building, Washington, D.C. 20202-6510. Telephone: (202) 205-9808. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339

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**Note:** The official version of a document is the document published in the **Federal Register**.

**Program Authority:** 20 U.S.C. 7541-7549.

Dated: December 11, 1997.

**Delia Pompa,**

*Director, Office of Bilingual Education and Minority Language Affairs.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### National Assessment Governing Board; Meeting

**AGENCY:** National Assessment Governing Board; Education.

**ACTION:** Notice of teleconference meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of a forthcoming teleconference meeting of the Joint Subject Area Committees 1 and 2 of the National Assessment Governing Board. This notice also describes the functions of the Board. Notice of this

meeting is required under Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act.

**DATES:** December 18, 1997.

**TIME:** 1:00 p.m.

**LOCATION:** National Assessment Governing Board, Suite 825, 800 North Capitol Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20002-4233, Telephone: (202) 357-6938.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Mary Ann Wilmer, Operations Officer, National Assessment Governing Board, Suite 825, 800 North Capitol Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20002-4233, Telephone: (202) 357-6938.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The National Assessment Governing Board is established under section 412 of the National Education Statistics Act of 1994 (Title IV of the Improving America's Schools Act of 1994), (Pub. L. 103-382).

The Board is established to formulate policy guidelines for the National Assessment of Educational Progress. The Board is responsible for selecting subject areas to be assessed, developing assessment objectives, identifying appropriate achievement goals for each grade and subject tested, and establishing standards and procedures for interstate and national comparisons. Under Pub. L. 105-78, the National Assessment Governing Board is granted exclusive authority over developing Voluntary National Tests pursuant to contract number RJ97153001 and is required to review within 90 days (i.e., by February 11, 1998) and modify the contract to the extent the Board determines necessary, if the contract cannot be modified to the extent the Board determines necessary, the contract shall be terminated, and a new contract negotiated.

On December 18 between the hours of 1:00 p.m. the Joint Subject Area Committees #1 and #2 of the National Assessment Governing Board will hold a teleconference meeting to provide an update on progress for review of Voluntary National Tests specifications in reading and math, and to finalize plans for technical analysis and peer reviewers of this information. Because this is a teleconference meeting, facilities will be provided so the public will have access to the Committee's deliberations.

Records are kept of all Board proceedings and are available for public inspection at the U.S. Department of Education, National Assessment Governing Board, Suite 825, 800 North Capitol Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.