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**Karen H. Brown,**

*Deputy Director.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Institute of Standards and Technology

#### Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award Board of Overseers; Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. app. 2, notice is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Board of Overseers of the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award on Thursday, December 2, 1999, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The Board of Overseers is composed of eleven members prominent in the field of quality management and appointed by the Secretary of Commerce, assembled to advise the Secretary of Commerce on the conduct of the Baldrige Award. The purpose of this meeting is to give an overview of the 1999 Baldrige Cycle; report from the Judges' Panel; review the program status and plans for 2000; discuss plans/issues and development of Overseers' recommendations; and present recommendations to the Director of NIST.

**DATES:** The meeting will convene December 2, 1999, at 8:30 a.m. and adjourn at 3:30 p.m. on December 2, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the National Institute of Standards and Technology, Administration Building, Tenth Floor Conference Room, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Harry Hertz, Director, National Quality Program, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899, telephone number (301) 975-2361.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Recordkeeping and Reporting Requirements; Public Workshop

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of workshop.

**SUMMARY:** NMFS will present a workshop on the year 2000 permit requirements for vessels, processors, and cooperatives wishing to participate in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands pollock fishery under the American Fisheries Act (AFA).

**DATES:** The public workshop will be held on Monday, November 29, 1999, 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The workshop will be held at the NMFS Alaska Fisheries Science Center, Building 9, Auditorium, 7600 Sand Point Way, NE., Seattle, WA.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Sue Salveson, 907-586-7228.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** NMFS is considering implementing permit requirements for vessels, processors, and cooperatives wishing to participate in the Bering Sea pollock fishery under the AFA through an emergency rule. The emergency rule would provide participants in the Bering Sea pollock fishery with the opportunity to apply for permits to participate in the fishery prior to its scheduled start on January 20. This action would be necessary to comply with the implementation deadline specified in the AFA.

NMFS is conducting a November 29, 1999, workshop for interested industry members to provide guidance on the AFA permit application process for the year 2000 BSAI pollock fishery. This guidance has been requested by industry given the anticipated short time period between publication of an emergency rule, submission of industry applications in response to an emergency rule, and agency issuance of applicable permits prior to the start of the year 2000 Bering Sea pollock fishery scheduled for January 20, 2000.

#### Special Accommodations

This workshop will be physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Sue Salveson at

907-586-7228 at least 7 working days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: November 10, 1999.

**Bruce C. Morehead,**

*Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

### Adjustment of import limits for Certain Wool and Man-Made Fiber Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in the Dominican Republic

November 9, 1999.

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

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

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** November 18, 1999.

**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 U.S. Customs website at <http://www.customs.ustreas.gov>. 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 limit for Category 433 is being increased for special shift, reducing the limit for Category 633 to account for the special shift added.

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 63 FR 71096, published on December 23, 1998). Also see 63 FR 63297, published on November 12, 1998.

**Troy H. Cribb,**

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

#### Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

November 9, 1999.

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 November 5, 1998, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. That directive concerns imports of certain cotton, wool and man-made fiber textile products, produced or manufactured in the Dominican Republic and exported during the twelve-month period which began on January 1, 1999 and extends through December 31, 1999.

Effective on November 18, 1999, you are directed to adjust the limits for the categories listed below for the period beginning on January 1, 1999 and extending through December 31, 1999.

Category	Adjusted twelve-month limit <sup>1</sup>
433 .....	26,281 dozen.
633 .....	150,770 dozen.

<sup>1</sup> The limits have not been adjusted to account for any imports exported after December 31, 1998.

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, Wool and Man-Made Fiber Textiles and Textile Products and Silk Blend and Other Vegetable Fiber Apparel Produced or Manufactured in Malaysia

November 8, 1999.

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

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

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** January 1, 2000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ross Arnold, 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 U.S. Customs website at <http://www.customs.ustreas.gov>. 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 Malaysia and exported during the period January 1, 2000 through December 31, 2000 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 2000 limits. Some limits are being reduced for carryforward applied to 1999.

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 63 FR 71096, published on December 23, 1998). Information regarding the 2000 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

November 8, 1999.

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, 2000, entry into the United States for consumption and withdrawal from warehouse for consumption of cotton, wool and man-made fiber textiles and textile products and silk blend and other vegetable fiber apparel in the following categories, produced or manufactured in Malaysia and exported during the twelve-month period beginning on January 1, 2000 and extending through December 31, 2000, in excess of the following limits:

Category	Twelve-month restraint limit
Fabric Group 218-220, 225-227, 313-326, 611-O <sup>1</sup> , 613/614/615/617, 619 and 620, as a group.	146,200,755 square meters equivalent.

Category	Twelve-month restraint limit
Sublevels within the group	
218 .....	8,388,281 square meters.
219 .....	40,636,560 square meters.
220 .....	40,636,560 square meters.
225 .....	40,636,560 square meters.
226 .....	40,636,560 square meters.
227 .....	40,636,560 square meters.
313 .....	48,465,622 square meters.
314 .....	58,307,808 square meters.
315 .....	40,636,560 square meters.
317 .....	40,636,560 square meters.
326 .....	7,858,195 square meters.
611-O .....	4,714,917 square meters.
613/614/615/617 .....	46,646,248 square meters.
619 .....	6,286,557 square meters.
620 .....	7,858,195 square meters.
Other specific limits	
200 .....	353,729 kilograms.
237 .....	475,941 dozen.
300/301 .....	3,751,697 kilograms.
331/631 .....	2,575,860 dozen pairs.
333/334/335/835 .....	295,398 dozen of which not more than 177,239 dozen shall be in Category 333 and not more than 177,239 dozen shall be in Category 835.
336/636 .....	573,519 dozen.
338/339 .....	1,343,404 dozen.
340/640 .....	1,656,224 dozen.
341/641 .....	2,146,528 dozen of which not more than 765,775 dozen shall be in Category 341.
342/642/842 .....	514,140 dozen.
345 .....	197,156 dozen.
347/348 .....	569,337 dozen.
350/650 .....	185,419 dozen.
351/651 .....	319,026 dozen.
363 .....	4,997,811 numbers.
435 .....	15,891 dozen.
438-W <sup>2</sup> .....	13,004 dozen.
442 .....	19,365 dozen.
445/446 .....	30,738 dozen.
604 .....	1,645,035 kilograms.
634/635 .....	1,001,848 dozen.
638/639 .....	590,163 dozen.
645/646 .....	451,392 dozen.
647/648 .....	2,124,203 dozen of which not more than 1,486,940 dozen shall be in Category 647-K <sup>3</sup> and not more than 1,486,940 dozen shall be in Category 648-K <sup>4</sup> .