

and manipulative activity and to foster coordination with persons engaged in regulating the markets. Mandatory electronic filing with the new CRD system will provide more efficient processing of registration-related filings and will allow for easy access to information in these filings by all industry and regulatory participants. In turn, electronic filing of these forms will facilitate oversight of securities industry firms and their personnel.

It is therefore ordered, pursuant to section 19(b)(2) of the Act, that the proposed rule change SR-NASD-96-21 be, and hereby is, approved.

For the Commission, by the Division of Market Regulation, pursuant to delegated authority, 17 CFR 200.30-3(a)(12).

Margaret H. McFarland,

Deputy Secretary.

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SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Notice of Action Subject to Intergovernmental Review

The SBA is notifying the public that it intends to grant the pending applications of 21 existing SBDCs for refunding. A short description of the SBDC program follows.

The SBA is publishing this notice 90 days before the expected refunding date. The SBDCs and their mailing addresses are listed below. A copy of this notice also is being furnished to the respective State single points of contact designated under the Executive Order 12372.

Each SBDC application must be consistent with any area-wide small business assistance plan adopted by a State-authorized agency. A State single point of contact and other interested State or local entities may submit written comments regarding an SBDC refunding within 30 days from the date of publication of this notice to the SBDC and to Johnnie L. Albertson, Associate Administrator for SBDCs, U.S. Small Business Administration, 409 Third Street, S.W., Suite 4600, Washington, D.C. 20416.

Description of the SBDC Program

A partnership exists between SBA and an SBDC. SBDCs offer training, counseling, and other business development assistance to small businesses. Each SBDC provides services under a negotiated Cooperative Agreement with SBA, the general management and oversight of SBA, and a State plan initially approved by the Governor. Non-Federal funds must match Federal funds. An SBDC must

operate according to law, the Cooperative Agreement, SBA's regulations, the annual Program Announcement, and program guidance.

Program Objectives

The SBDC program uses Federal funds to leverage the resources of States, academic institutions, and the private sector to:

- (a) Strengthen the small business community;
- (b) Increase economic growth;
- (c) Assist more small businesses; and
- (d) Broaden the delivery system to more small businesses.

SBDC Program Organization

The lead SBDC operates a statewide or regional network of SBDC subcenters. An SBDC must have a full-time Director. SBDCs must use at least 80 percent of the Federal funds to provide services to small businesses. SBDCs use volunteers and other low cost resources as much as possible.

SBDC Services

An SBDC must have a full range of business development and technical assistance services in its area of operations, depending upon local needs, SBA priorities, and SBDC program objectives. Services include training and counseling to existing and prospective small business owners in management, marketing, finance, operations, planning, taxes, and any other general or technical area of assistance that supports small business growth.

The SBA district office and the SBDC must agree upon the specific mix of services. They should give particular attention to SBA's priority and special emphasis groups, including veterans, women, exporters, the disabled, and minorities.

SBDC Program Requirements

An SBDC must meet programmatic and financial requirements imposed by statute, regulations, or its Cooperative Agreement. The SBDC must:

- (a) Locate subcenters so that they are as accessible as possible to small businesses;
- (b) Open all subcenters at least 40 hours per week, or during the normal business hours of its state or academic Host Organization, throughout the year;
- (c) Develop working relationships with financial institutions, the investment community, professional associations, private consultants, and small business groups; and
- (d) Maintain lists of private consultants at each subcenter.

Dated: June 19, 1996.

Philip Lader,
Administrator.

Addresses of Relevant SBDC State Directors

Mr. Robert McKinley, Region Director, Univ. of Texas at San Antonio, 1222 North Main Street, San Antonio, TX 78212, (210) 558-2450

Mr. John P. O'Connor, State Director, University of Connecticut, 2 Bourn Place, U-94, Storrs, CT 06269-5094, (203) 486-4135

Mr. Ted Cadou, Region Director, University of Houston, 1100 Louisiana, Suite 500, Houston, TX 77002, (713) 752-8444

Ms. Liz Klimback, Region Director, Dallas Community College, 1402 Corinth Street, Dallas, TX 75212, (214) 860-5833

Mr. Craig Bean, Region Director, Texas Tech University, 2579 South Loop 289, Suite 114, Lubbock, TX 79423-1637, (806) 745-3973

Mr. Raleigh Byars, State Director, University of Mississippi, Old Chemistry Building, University, MS 38677, (601) 232-5001

Mr. James L. King, State Director, State University of New York, SUNY Plaza, S-523, Albany, NY 12246, (518) 443-5398

Ms. Hazel Kroesser Palmer, State Director, West Virginia Development Office, 950 Kanawha Boulevard, East, Charleston, WV 25301, (304) 558-2960

Mr. Clinton Tymes, State Director, University of Delaware, Suite 005—Purnell Hall, Newark, DE 19711, (302) 831-2747

Ms. Janet Holloway, State Director, University of Kentucky, 225 Business & Economics Bldg., Lexington, KY 40506-0034, (606) 257-7668

Mr. Thomas McLamore, State Director, Department of Economic and Employment Development, 217 East Redwood St., 9th Floor, Baltimore, MD 21202, (410) 333-6995

Ms. Diane Wolverton, State Director, University of Wyoming, P.O. Box 3622, Laramie, WY 82071-3622, (307) 766-3505

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Ms. Holly Schick, State Director, Ohio Department of Development, 77 South High Street, Columbus, OH 43226-1001, (614) 466-2711

Mr. Donald L. Kelpinski, State Director, Vermont Technical College, P.O. Box 422, Randolph Center, VT 05060, (802) 728-9101

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Clarksburg District Advisory Council Meeting; Public Meeting

The U.S. Small Business Administration, Clarksburg District Advisory Council will hold a public meeting on Thursday, August 15, 1996 at 10:00 a.m. at Eat'N Park Restaurant, 100 Tolley Street, Bridgeport, West Virginia, to discuss matters as may be presented by members, staff of the U.S. Small Business Administration, or others present.

For further information, write or call Mr. Thomas Tolan, Acting District Director, U.S. Small Business Administration, 168 West Main Street, Clarksburg, West Virginia 26301, (304) 623-5631.

July 16, 1996.
Michael P. Novelli,
Director, Office of Advisory Council.
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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Amendment of Import Restraint Limits for Certain Cotton, Man-Made Fiber, Silk Blend and Other Vegetable Fiber Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in the United Arab Emirates

July 17, 1996.
AGENCY: Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).
ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs amending limits.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 23, 1996.
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: Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended; section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854).

In accordance with the Uruguay Round Agreements Act and the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (ATC), the current limits are being amended for certain textile products, produced or manufactured in the United Arab Emirates and exported during the period beginning on January 1, 1996 and extending through December 31, 1996. In accordance with the ATC, these amended limits are based on the limits notified to the Textiles Monitoring Body. These limits are amended because the United Arab Emirates is now a member of the World Trade Organization (WTO).

In the letter published below, the Chairman of CITA directs the Commissioner of Customs to amend the current limits for the period January 1, 1996 through December 31, 1996. Previous adjustments applied to the 1996 limits have been adjusted accordingly.

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 65299, published on December 19, 1995). Also see 61 FR 9982, published on March 12, 1996.

The letter to the Commissioner of Customs and the actions taken pursuant to it are not designed to implement all of the provisions of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act and the ATC, but are designed to assist only in the implementation of certain of their provisions.

Troy H. Cribb,
Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.
Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements
July 17, 1996.
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 March 5, 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 textile products, produced or manufactured in the United Arab Emirates and exported during the twelve-month period beginning on January 1, 1996 and extending through December 31, 1996.

Effective on July 23, 1996, you are directed, in accordance with the Uruguay Round Agreements Act and the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (ATC), to increase the limits for the following categories:

Category	Amended twelve-month limit ¹
219	1,175,312 square meters.
226/313	2,009,814 square meters.
315	-0-
317	32,422,388 square meters.
326	1,897,268 square meters.
334/634	228,736 dozen.
335/635/835	157,146 dozen.
336/636	209,459 dozen.
338/339	624,450 dozen of which not more than 398,509 dozen shall be in Categories 338-S/339-S ² .
340/640	350,729 dozen.
341/641	321,604 dozen.
342/642	255,495 dozen.
347/348	463,877 dozen of which not more than 231,938 dozen shall be in Categories 347-T/348-T ³ .
351/651	183,636 dozen.
352	232,892 dozen.
361	-0-
363	6,324,225 numbers.
369-S ⁴	84,069 kilograms.
369-O ⁵	604,625 kilograms.
638/639	237,065 dozen.
647/648	343,321 dozen.
847	215,573 dozen.

¹ The limits have not been adjusted to account for any imports exported after December 31, 1995.

² Category 338-S: only HTS numbers 6103.22.0050, 6105.10.0010, 6105.10.0030, 6105.90.8010, 6109.10.0027, 6110.20.1025, 6110.20.2040, 6110.20.2065, 6110.90.9068, 6112.11.0030 and 6114.20.0005; Category 339-S: only HTS numbers 6104.22.0060, 6104.29.2049, 6106.10.0010, 6106.10.0030, 6106.90.2510, 6106.90.3010, 6109.10.0070, 6110.20.1030, 6110.20.2045, 6110.20.2075, 6110.90.9070, 6112.11.0040, 6114.20.0010 and 6117.90.9020.

³ Category 347-T: only HTS numbers 6103.19.2015, 6103.19.9020, 6103.22.0030, 6103.42.1020, 6103.42.1040, 6103.49.8010, 6112.11.0050, 6113.00.9038, 6203.19.1020, 6203.19.9020, 6203.22.3020, 6203.42.4005, 6203.42.4010, 6203.42.4015, 6203.42.4025, 6203.42.4035, 6203.42.4045, 6203.49.8020, 6210.40.9033, 6211.20.1520, 6211.20.3810 and 6211.32.0040; Category 348-T: only HTS numbers 6104.12.0030, 6104.19.8030, 6104.22.0040, 6104.29.2034, 6104.62.2010, 6104.62.2025, 6104.69.8022, 6112.11.0060, 6113.00.9042, 6117.90.9060, 6204.12.0030, 6204.19.8030, 6204.22.3040, 6204.29.4034, 6204.62.3000, 6204.62.4005, 6204.62.4010, 6204.62.4020, 6204.62.4030, 6204.62.4040, 6204.62.4050, 6204.69.6010, 6304.69.9010, 6210.50.9060, 6211.20.1550, 6211.20.6810, 6211.42.0030 and 6217.90.9050.

⁴ Category 369-S: only HTS number 6307.10.2005.

⁵ Category 369-O: all HTS numbers except 6307.10.2005 (Category 369-S).

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).