

depth, day-long discussion of the fundamental questions related to database protection and access. This conference is intended to help policy makers understand the wide range of issues in this important area by soliciting the advice of individual members of the public.

The conference will consist of morning and afternoon plenary sessions with additional, smaller working groups at midday. Conference topics will explore whether a comprehensive regime of legal protection is needed for compilations of data, what safeguards should exist to ensure robust levels of scientific and academic research, what market failures do exist or are likely to exist in data generation industries, and whether government-generated or government-financed data should be subject to special access rules.

Dated: March 11, 1998.

Bruce A. Lehman,

*Assistant Secretary of Commerce and
Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks.*
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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Adjustment of an Import Limit for Certain Cotton and Man-Made Fiber Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Guatemala

March 11, 1998.

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

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the
Commissioner of Customs increasing a
limit.

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 18, 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 this limit, 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 limit for Categories 342/
642 is being increased by recrediting
unused carryforward applied to the
1997 limit.

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 62 FR 66057,
published on December 17, 1997). Also
see 62 FR 67624, published on
December 29, 1997.

Troy H. Cribb,

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

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

March 11, 1998.

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 19, 1997, 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 Guatemala and exported
during the periods January 1, 1998 through
May 30, 1998 and January 1, 1998 through
December 31, 1998.

Effective on March 18, 1998, you are
directed to increase the limit for Categories
342/642 to 180,210 dozen¹ for the period
January 1, 1998 through May 30, 1998, as
provided for under the Uruguay Round
Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (ATC).

The Guaranteed Access Level for
Categories 342/642 remains unchanged.

The Committee for the Implementation of
Textile Agreements has determined that this
action falls 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

Adjustment of Import Limits for Certain Cotton, Wool, Man-Made Fiber, Silk Blend and Other Vegetable Fiber Textiles and Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Indonesia

March 11, 1998.

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

¹ The limit has not been adjusted to account for
any imports exported after December 31, 1997.

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 18, 1998.

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 carryforward used and an additional
five percent increase for traditional
folklore products made from
handloomed fabrics.

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 62 FR 66057,
published on December 17, 1997). Also
see 62 FR 67625, published on
December 29, 1997.

Troy H. Cribb,

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

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

March 11, 1998.

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 19, 1997, by the
Chairman, Committee for the Implementation
of Textile Agreements. That directive
concerns imports of certain cotton, wool,
man-made fiber, silk blend and other
vegetable fiber textiles and textile products,
produced or manufactured in Indonesia and
exported during the twelve-month period
which began on January 1, 1998 and extends
through December 31, 1998.

Effective on March 18, 1998, you are
directed to adjust the limits for the following
categories, as provided for under the Uruguay
Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing:

| Category | Twelve-month limit ¹ |
|--------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Levels in Group I | |
| 200 | 793,742 kilograms. |
| 300/301 | 3,773,207 kilograms. |
| 315-O ² | 25,383,379 square meters. |

| Category | Twelve-month limit ¹ |
|---|---|
| 334/335 | 229,281 dozen. |
| 336/636 | 606,771 dozen. |
| 338/339 | 1,114,125 dozen. |
| 340/640 | 1,372,074 dozen. |
| 341 | 868,909 dozen. |
| 342/642 | 381,212 dozen. |
| 347/348 | 1,589,155 dozen. |
| 350/650 | 166,863 dozen. |
| 351/651 | 469,523 dozen. |
| 359-C/659-C ³ | 1,303,471 kilograms. |
| 361 | 1,221,141 numbers. |
| 445/446 | 53,767 dozen. |
| 447 | 16,049 dozen. |
| 611-O ⁴ | 4,108,000 square me- ters. |
| 619/620 | 8,506,863 square me- ters. |
| 634/635 | 288,937 dozen. |
| 638/639 | 1,426,959 dozen. |
| 641 | 2,324,937 dozen. |
| 647/648 | 3,324,571 dozen. |
| Group II | |
| 201, 218, 220, 222- 224, 226, 227, 237, 239pt. ⁵ , 332, 333, 352, 359-O ⁶ , 362, 363, 369-O ⁷ , 400, 410, 414, 431, 434, 435, 436, 438, 440, 442, 444, 459pt. ⁸ , 464, 469pt. ⁹ , 603, 604-O ¹⁰ , 606, 607, 621, 622, 624, 633, 649, 652, 659-O ¹¹ , 666, 669-O ¹² , 670-O ¹³ , 831, 833-836, 838, 840, 842-846, 850-852, 858 and 859pt. ¹⁴ , as a group. | 88,703,224 square meters equivalent. |

¹ The limits have not been adjusted to account for any imports exported after December 31, 1997.

² Category 315-O: all HTS numbers except 5208.52.4055.

³ Category 359-C: only HTS numbers 6103.42.2025, 6103.49.8034, 6104.62.1020, 6104.69.8010, 6114.20.0048, 6114.20.0052, 6203.42.2010, 6203.42.2090, 6204.62.2010, 6211.32.0010, 6211.32.0025 and 6211.42.0010; Category 659-C: only HTS numbers 6103.23.0055, 6103.43.2020, 6103.43.2025, 6103.49.2000, 6103.49.8038, 6104.63.1020, 6104.63.1030, 6104.69.1000, 6104.69.8014, 6114.30.3044, 6114.30.3054, 6203.43.2010, 6203.43.2090, 6203.49.1010, 6203.49.1090, 6204.63.1510, 6204.69.1010, 6210.10.9010, 6211.33.0010, 6211.33.0017 and 6211.43.0010.

⁴ Category 611-O: only HTS numbers 5516.14.0005, 5516.14.0025 and 5516.14.0085.

⁵ Category 239pt.: only HTS number 6209.20.5040 (diapers).

⁶ Category 359-O: all HTS numbers except 6103.42.2025, 6103.49.8034, 6104.62.1020, 6104.69.8010, 6114.20.0048, 6114.20.0052, 6203.42.2010, 6203.42.2090, 6204.62.2010, 6211.32.0010, 6211.32.0025 and 6211.42.0010 (Category 359-C); 6112.39.0010, 6112.49.0010, 6211.11.8010, 6211.11.8020, 6211.12.8010 and 6211.12.8020 (Category 359-S) and 6406.99.1550 (Category 359pt.).

⁷ Category 369-O: all HTS numbers except 6307.10.2005 (Category 369-S); 5601.10.1000, 5601.21.0090, 5701.90.1020, 5701.90.2020, 5702.10.9020, 5702.39.2010, 5702.49.1020, 5702.49.1080, 5702.59.1000, 5702.99.1010, 5702.99.1090, 5705.00.2020 and 6406.10.7700 (Category 369pt.).

⁸ Category 459pt.: all HTS numbers except 6405.20.6030, 6405.20.6060, 6405.20.6090, 6406.99.1505 and 6406.99.1560.

⁹ Category 469pt.: all HTS numbers except 5601.29.0020, 5603.94.1010 and 6406.10.9020.

¹⁰ Category 604-O: all HTS numbers except 5509.32.0000 (Category 604-A).

¹¹ Category 659-O: all HTS numbers except 6103.23.0055, 6103.43.2020, 6103.43.2025, 6103.49.2000, 6103.49.8038, 6104.63.1020, 6104.63.1030, 6104.69.1000, 6104.69.8014, 6114.30.3044, 6114.30.3054, 6203.43.2010, 6203.43.2090, 6203.49.1010, 6203.49.1090, 6204.63.1510, 6204.69.1010, 6210.10.9010, 6211.33.0010, 6211.33.0017, 6211.43.0010 (Category 659-C); 6112.31.0010, 6112.31.0020, 6112.41.0010, 6112.41.0020, 6112.41.0030, 6112.41.0040, 6211.11.1010, 6211.11.1020, 6211.12.1010, 6211.12.1020 (Category 659-S); 6406.99.1510 and 6406.99.1540 (Category 659pt.).

¹² Category 669-O: all HTS numbers except 6305.32.0010, 6305.32.0020, 6305.33.0010, 6305.33.0020, 6305.39.0000 (Category 669-P); 5601.10.2000, 5601.22.0090, 5607.49.3000, 5607.50.4000 and 6406.10.9040 (Category 669pt.).

¹³ Category 670-O: all HTS numbers except 4202.12.8030, 4202.12.8070, 4202.92.3020, 4202.92.3031, 4202.92.9025 and 6307.90.9907 (Category 670-L).

¹⁴ Category 859pt.: only HTS numbers 6115.19.8040, 6117.10.6020, 6212.10.5030, 6212.10.9040, 6212.20.0030, 6212.30.0030, 6212.90.0090, 6214.10.2000 and 6214.90.0090.

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 DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Army Science Board Notice of Open Meeting

In accordance with Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (P.L. 92-463), announcement is made of the following Committee Meeting:

Name of Committee: Army Science Board (ASB).

Date of Meeting: 25 March 1998.

Time of Meeting: 0800-1700.

Place: Natick Research, Development, and Engineering Center, Kansas Street, Natick, MA.

Agenda: The Army Science Board's (ASB) Independent Assessment Panel on "Hit-to-Kill Interceptor Lethality—Phase II" will

receive briefing on biological and chemical defense from the staff of the Natick Research, Development, and Engineering Center. This meeting will be open to the public. Any interested person may attend, appear before, or file statements with the committee at the time and in the manner permitted by the committee. For further information, please call our office at (703) 604-7490.

Wayne Joyner,

Program Support Specialist Army Science Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Army Science Board; Notice of Open Meeting

In accordance with Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), announcement is made of the following Committee Meeting:

Name of Committee: Army Science Board (ASB).

Date of Meeting: 30 March 1998.

Time of Meeting: 0830-1630.

Place: Abdingdon, MD.

Agenda: The Army Science Board's (ASB) Issue Group Study on "Review of Risk Assessment Methodology for Proposed DoD Range Rule" will meet for briefings and discussions. This meeting will be open to the public. Any interested person may attend, appear before, or file statements with the committee at the time and in the manner permitted by the committee. For further information, please contact our office at (703) 604-7490.

Wayne Joyner,

Program Support Specialist, Army Science Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Army

Army Science Board; Notice of Open Meeting

In accordance with Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463), announcement is made of the following Committee Meeting:

Name of Committee: Army Science Board (ASB).

Date of Meeting: 16-17 April 1998.

Time of Meeting: 0830-1700 (both days).

Place: Association of the United States Army, 2425 Wilson Boulevard, Conference Main Room, Arlington, VA.

Agenda: The Army Science Board's (ASB) 1998 Summer Study Group on "Concepts and Technology for the Army Beyond 2010"