

CBTPA; Section 6 of Executive Order No. 13191 of January 17, 2001.

BACKGROUND:

The CBTPA provides for quota- and duty-free treatment for qualifying textile and apparel products. Such treatment is generally limited to products manufactured from yarns or fabrics formed in the United States. The CBTPA also provides for quota- and duty-free treatment for apparel articles that are both cut (or knit-to-shape) and sewn or otherwise assembled in one or more CBTPA beneficiary countries from fabric or yarn that is not formed in the United States, if it has been determined that such fabric or yarn cannot be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner. In Executive Order No. 13191, the President delegated to CITA the authority to determine whether yarns or fabrics cannot be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner under the CBTPA and directed CITA to establish procedures to ensure appropriate public participation in any such determination. On March 6, 2001, CITA published procedures that it will follow in considering requests. (66 FR 13502).

On March 30, 2005, the Chairman of CITA received a petition on behalf of S. Rothschild & Co., Inc. of New York, New York, alleging that certain coat weight fabrics of 100 percent carded camelhair, 100 percent carded cashmere, or a blend of carded cashmere and wool fibers, of the specifications detailed below, classified in HTSUS subheading 5111.19.6020, cannot be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner and requesting quota- and duty-free treatment under the CBTPA for outerwear articles that are cut and sewn in one or more CBTPA beneficiary countries from such fabrics.

Specifications:

Exhibit 1

100 percent camel hair fabric carded weight:	370-400 grams per square meter
width:	148-150 cm
yarn thickness:	16.5 microns

Exhibit 2

100 percent cashmere fabric, carded weight:	335-400 grams per square meter
width:	148-150 cm
yarn diameter:	12 microns

Exhibit 3

80 percent wool/ 20 percent cashmere carded weight:	370-400 grams per square meter
width:	148/150 cm
yarn thickness:	average 20 microns

The petitioner emphasizes that the weight limit of the subject fabrics precludes these fabrics from being used in the production of blazers, suits, and other types of wearing apparel. The request only applies to coat weight fabrics.

CITA is soliciting public comments regarding this request, particularly with respect to whether these fabrics can be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner. Also relevant is whether other fabrics that are supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner are substitutable for the fabric for purposes of the intended use. Comments must be received no later than April 27, 2005. Interested persons are invited to submit six copies of such comments or information to the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements, room 3100, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20230.

If a comment alleges that these fabrics can be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner, CITA will closely review any supporting documentation, such as a signed statement by a manufacturer of the fabric stating that it produces the fabric that is the subject of the request, including the quantities that can be supplied and the time necessary to fill an order, as well as any relevant information regarding past production.

CITA will protect any business confidential information that is marked "business confidential" from disclosure to the full extent permitted by law. CITA generally considers specific details, such as quantities and lead times for providing the subject product as business confidential. However, information such as the names of domestic manufacturers who were contacted, questions concerning the capability to manufacture the subject product, and the responses thereto should be available for public review to ensure proper public participation in the process. If this is not possible, an explanation of the necessity for treating such information as business confidential must be provided. CITA will make available to the public non-confidential versions of the request and non-confidential versions of any public comments received with respect to a request in room 3100 in the Herbert Hoover Building, 14th and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20230. Persons submitting comments on a request are encouraged to include a non-

confidential version and a non-confidential summary.

D. Michael Hutchinson,

Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Request for Public Comments on Commercial Availability Petition under the United States - Caribbean Basin Trade Partnership Act (CBTPA)

April 6, 2005.

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

On April 4, 2005, the notice titled "Request for Public Comments on Commercial Availability Petition under the United States - Caribbean Basin Trade Partnership Act (CBTPA)" concerning certain 100 percent cotton, carbon-emerized, four-thread twill weave fabric was erroneously published on April 4, 2005 (70 FR 17074). The following is the correct document.

ACTION: Request for public comments concerning a request for a determination that certain 100 percent cotton, carbon-emerized, three or four-thread twill weave fabric cannot be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner under the CBTPA.

SUMMARY: On April 6, 2005, the Chairman of CITA received a petition from Sandler, Travis, & Rosenberg, P.A., on behalf of their client, Dillard's Inc., alleging that certain 100 percent cotton, carbon-emerized, three or four-thread twill weave fabric, of the specifications detailed below, classified in subheading 5208.33.00.00 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS), cannot be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner. The petition requests that woven cotton shirts and blouses of such fabrics assembled in one or more CBTPA beneficiary countries be eligible for preferential treatment under the CBTPA. CITA hereby solicits public comments on this request, in particular with regard to whether such fabrics can be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner. Comments must be submitted by April 27, 2005 to the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements, Room 3001, United

States Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Naomi Freeman, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-3400.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: Section 213(b)(2)(A)(v)(II) of the Caribbean Basin Economic Recovery Act, as added by Section 211(a) of the CBTPA; Section 6 of Executive Order No. 13191 of January 17, 2001.

BACKGROUND:

The CBTPA provides for quota- and duty-free treatment for qualifying textile and apparel products. Such treatment is generally limited to products manufactured from yarns or fabrics formed in the United States or a beneficiary country. The CBTPA also provides for quota- and duty-free treatment for apparel articles that are both cut (or knit-to-shape) and sewn or otherwise assembled in one or more CBTPA beneficiary countries from fabric or yarn that is not formed in the United States, if it has been determined that such fabric or yarn cannot be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner. In Executive Order No. 13191, the President delegated to CITA the authority to determine whether yarns or fabrics cannot be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner under the CBTPA and directed CITA to establish procedures to ensure appropriate public participation in any such determination. On March 6, 2001, CITA published procedures that it will follow in considering requests. (66 FR 13502).

On April 6, 2005, the Chairman of CITA received a petition on behalf of Dillard's Inc. alleging that certain 100 percent cotton, carbon emerized, three or four-thread twill weave fabrics, of the specifications detailed below, classified under HTSUS subheading 5208.33.00.00, for use in woven cotton shirts and blouses, cannot be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner and requesting quota- and duty-free treatment under the CBTPA for woven cotton shirts and blouses that are both cut and sewn in one or more CBTPA beneficiary countries from such fabrics.

Specifications:

HTS Subheading: 5208.33.00.00
Petitioner Style No.: 03842
Fiber Content: 100 percent cotton

Yarn Number: 39/1 - 41/1 metric combed ring spun warp; 39/1 - 41/1 carded ring spun filling; overall average yarn number: 38 - 40 metric
Thread Count: 43 - 45 warp ends per centimeter; 24 - 26 filling picks per centimeter; total 61 - 71 threads per square centimeter
Weave: three or four-thread twill
Weight: 176 - 182 grams per square meter
Width: 168 - 172 centimeters
Finish: (Piece) dyed, carbon emerized on both sides

The petitioner states:

The yarns must be ring spun, the warp yarn combed, and the filling yarn carded. The yarn size and thread count and consequently, the weight of the fabric must be exactly or nearly exactly as specified in the accompanying Exhibit or the fabric will not be suitable for its intended use. The fabric must be carbon emerized, not napped, on both sides. The instant fabric has been lightly emerized on the technical back and somewhat moreso on the face. Napping will produce a different and unacceptable product.

CITA is soliciting public comments regarding this request, particularly with respect to whether these fabrics can be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner. Also relevant is whether other fabrics that are supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner are substitutable for the fabric for purposes of the intended use. Comments must be received no later than April 27, 2005. Interested persons are invited to submit six copies of such comments or information to the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements, room 3100, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20230.

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James C. Leonard III,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Technology Advisory Committee Meeting

This is to give notice, pursuant to Section 10(a) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2, section 10(a), that the Commodity Futures Trading Commission's Technology Advisory Committee will conduct a public meeting on Thursday, April 28, 2005. The meeting will take place in the first floor hearing room of the Commission's Washington, DC headquarters, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20581. The meeting will begin at 1 p.m., and last until 4 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss technology-related issues involving the financial services and commodity markets.

The agenda will consist of the following:

- (1) What constitutes "prior art" in the patents process.
- (2) Intellectual property in trading and settlements technology.
- (3) Restrictions on the usage of exchange settlement prices.
- (4) Market data piracy.

The meeting is open to the public. Any member of the public who wishes to file a written statement with the Advisory Committee should mail a copy of the statement to the attention of: Technology Advisory Committee, c/o Acting Chairman Sharon Brown-Hruska,