

amount to establish and implement a strategic technology reserve (STR) to pre-position or secure interoperable communications in advance for immediate deployment in an emergency situation or major disaster. If a State or Territory is not submitting a PSIC Investment for the STR, it must submit a detailed written explanation along with its Investment Justification that demonstrates that it has already implemented such a strategic technology reserve or that other funded project proposals represent a higher priority for public safety communications. Upon a finding by the Assistant Secretary that the State or Territory has met the demonstration requirement, it may use the presumptive funding amount for other approved PSIC projects.

#### **Funding Priorities and Selection Factors**

NTIA recognizes that many solutions exist to achieve interoperability, and the PSIC Grant Program will not dictate the technology or approach for public safety agencies. However, NTIA has identified that when selecting projects for PSIC funding States and Territories must consider: (1) technology, including adoption of advanced technological solutions, improved spectrum efficiency, and cost-effective measures; and (2) solutions that support capabilities in response to all hazards approach regardless of their source or cause, including improving communications in areas at high risk for natural disasters and in urban and metropolitan areas at high risk for threats of terrorism, as well as pre-positioning or securing interoperable communications in advance for immediate deployment in an emergency or major disaster.

In addition, NTIA will review each Statewide Plan to ensure that States and Territories address the following PSIC requirements: how public safety agencies will plan and coordinate, acquire, deploy, and train on communications equipment, software, and systems that use - or enable interoperability with communications systems that use - in the reallocated public safety spectrum or otherwise improve or advance the interoperability with public safety communications systems that utilize other public safety spectrum bands; how a strategic technology reserve will be established and implemented to pre-position or secure interoperable communications in advance for immediate deployment in an emergency or major disaster; how local and tribal government entities' interoperable communications needs

have been included in the planning process and how their needs are being addressed, if applicable; and how authorized nongovernmental organizations' interoperable communications needs have been included in the planning process and how their needs are being addressed, if applicable.

#### **Cost Sharing Requirements**

The PSIC Grant Program requires cost sharing. By statute, each public safety agency receiving PSIC funds is required to meet and document the 20 percent statutory match requirement for each project. The SAA is required to track and report the 20 percent match requirement for each individual project that receives PSIC funds for efforts other than planning and coordination and training which do not require any match. The match requirements can be met through cash or in-kind sources consistent with 15 C.F.R. § 24.3, 24.24. This documentation must demonstrate that match funds are from non-federal sources.

As provided in 48 U.S.C. § 1469a, the requirement for local matching funds under \$200,000 (including in-kind contributions) is waived for the Territorial governments in Guam, American Samoa, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

Applicants are exempt from the 20 percent match for all pre-award costs related to the Statewide Plans.

Training activities can make up no more than 20 percent of a State's or Territory's total federal allocation for the PSIC Program.

Each STR project will be considered as an individual Investment and subject to the above cost sharing requirements.

All other substantive provisions of the PSIC Grant Program Notice of Availability of Funds remain unchanged. Additional information on these changes is available in Modification 1 of the Federal Funding Opportunity Notice under CFDA Number 11.555 available at <http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?oppId=14878&mode=VIEW> and in the Revised Grant Guidance available at [www.ntia.doc.gov/](http://www.ntia.doc.gov/).

#### **Executive Order 12866**

The amendment to this rule has been determined not to be Economically Significant under Executive Order 12866.

#### **Executive Order 13132, Federalism**

It has been determined that this notice does not contain policies with

Federalism implications as that term is defined in Executive Order 13132.

#### **Administrative Procedure Act/Regulatory Flexibility Act**

Prior notice and opportunity for public comment are not required by the Administrative Procedure Act or any other law for this rule concerning grants, benefits, and contracts (5 U.S.C. § 553(a) (2)). Because notice and opportunity for comment are not required pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 553 or any other law, the analytical requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. § 601 et seq.) are inapplicable. Therefore, a regulatory flexibility analysis has not been prepared.

#### **Congressional Review of Agency Rulemaking**

NTIA has not submitted this final rule to the Congress and the Government Accountability Office under the Congressional Review of Agency Rulemaking Act, 5 U.S.C. § 801 et seq. This amendment is not a "major rule" within the meaning of the Act.

Dated: August 16, 2007.

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#### **COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS**

##### **Determination Under the Textile and Apparel Commercial Availability Provision of the Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free Trade Agreement (CAFTA-DR Agreement)**

August 14, 2007.

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

**ACTION:** Determination to add a product in unrestricted quantities to Annex 3.25 of the CAFTA-DR Agreement.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** August 20, 2007.

**SUMMARY:** The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA) has determined that certain raschel knit open work crepe fabrics, as specified below, are not available in commercial quantities in a timely manner in the CAFTA-DR region. The product will be added to the list in Annex 3.25 of the CAFTA-DR Agreement in unrestricted quantities.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Maria Dybczak, Office of Textiles and

Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-3651.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON-**

**LINE:** <http://web.ita.doc.gov/tacgi/CaftaReqTrack.nsf>. Reference number:

31.2007.07.13.Fabric.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Authority:** Section 203(o)(4) of the Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act (CAFTA-DR Act); the Statement of Administrative Action (SAA), accompanying the CAFTA-DR Act; Presidential Proclamations 7987 (February 28, 2006) and 7996 (March 31, 2006).

**Background:**

The CAFTA-DR Agreement provides a list in Annex 3.25 for fabrics, yarns, and fibers that the Parties to the CAFTA-DR Agreement have determined are not available in commercial quantities in a timely manner in the territory of any Party. Articles that otherwise meet the rule of origin to qualify for preferential treatment are not disqualified because they contain one of the products on the Annex 3.25 list.

The CAFTA-DR Agreement provides that this list may be modified pursuant to Article 3.25(4)-(5), when the President of the United States determines that a fabric, yarn, or fiber is not available in commercial quantities in a timely manner in the territory of any Party. The CAFTA-DR Act states that the President will make a determination on whether additional fabrics, yarns, and fibers are available in commercial quantities in a timely manner in the territory of any Party.

The CAFTA-DR Act requires the President to establish procedures governing the submission of a request and providing opportunity for interested entities to submit comments and supporting evidence before a commercial availability determination is made. In Presidential Proclamations 7987 and 7996, the President delegated to CITA the authority under section 203(o)(4) of the CAFTA-DR Act for modifying the Annex 3.25 list. On March 21, 2007, CITA published final procedures it would follow in considering requests to modify the Annex 3.25 list (72 FR 13256).

On July 13, 2007, the Chairman of CITA received a request from Sorini Samet & Associates, LLC, on behalf of their client, Hansoll Textile Ltd., for certain raschel knit open work crepe fabrics of the specifications detailed below. On July 17, 2007, CITA notified interested parties of, and posted on its website, the accepted request and requested that any interested entity provide, by July 27, 2007, a response

advising of its objection to the request or its ability to supply the subject product, and rebuttals to responses by August 2, 2007.

No interested entity filed a response advising of its objection to the request or its ability to supply the subject product.

In accordance with Section 203(o)(4)(C)(iii)(II) of the CAFTA-DR Act, and its procedures, as no interested entity submitted a response objecting to the request or expressing an ability to supply the subject product, CITA has determined to add the specified fabrics to the list in Annex 3.25 of the CAFTA-DR Agreement.

The subject fabrics are added to the list in Annex 3.25 of the CAFTA-DR Agreement in unrestricted quantities. A revised list has been published on-line.

**Specifications:**

<b>HTS Subheading:</b>	6005.42.00.10, 6005.44.00.10
<b>Overall Fiber Content:</b>	73% viscose rayon/ 24% nylon/ 3% spandex
<b>Constituent Yarns:</b>	1. 32/2 to 36/2 metric (18.9/2 to 21.2/2 english) spun viscose rayon 2. 163.7 to 152.4 metric (55 to 59 denier)/ 10 filament nylon 3. 43.3 to 42.9 metric (208 to 210 denier) spandex wrapped around 132to 125 metric (68 to 72 denier) nylon
<b>Machine Gauge:</b>	18
<b>Number of Bars:</b>	16
<b>Width:</b>	Not less than 137cm (54 inches) cuttable for piece dyed goods; not less than 147.32 cm (58 inches) for printed goods
<b>Weight:</b>	0.23kg per square meter (0.659 linear yards per lb.), plus or minus 5 percent
<b>Coloration:</b>	(Piece) dyed; printed

In addition, this fabric has a unique "blistered" face requiring each of the constituent yarns to be fed separately, with small, regular open-work interstices, representing about 15% of the total surface area.

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**COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS**

**Determination Under the Textile and Apparel Commercial Availability Provision of the Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free Trade Agreement (CAFTA-DR Agreement)**

August 15, 2007.

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

**ACTION:** Determination to add two products in unrestricted quantities to Annex 3.25 of the CAFTA-DR Agreement

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** August 20, 2007.

**SUMMARY:** The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA) has determined that two woven fabrics, as specified below, are not available in commercial quantities in a timely manner in the CAFTA-DR region. The products will be added to the list in Annex 3.25 of the CAFTA-DR Agreement in unrestricted quantities.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Richard Stetson, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-2582.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON-**

**LINE:** <http://web.ita.doc.gov/tacgi/CaftaReqTrack.nsf>. Reference number: 23.2007.06.18.Fabric.GovernmentoftheDominicanRepublic.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Authority:** Section 203(o)(4) of the Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act (CAFTA-DR Act); the Statement of Administrative Action (SAA), accompanying the CAFTA-DR Act; Presidential Proclamations 7987 (February 28, 2006) and 7996 (March 31, 2006).

**Background:**

The CAFTA-DR Agreement provides a list in Annex 3.25 for fabrics, yarns, and fibers that the Parties to the CAFTA-DR Agreement have determined are not available in commercial quantities in a timely manner in the territory of any Party. Articles that otherwise meet the rule of origin to qualify for preferential treatment are not disqualified because they contain one of the products on the Annex 3.25 list.

The CAFTA-DR Agreement provides that this list may be modified pursuant to Article 3.25(4)-(5), when the President of the United States determines that a fabric, yarn, or fiber is not available in commercial quantities