

## COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

### Request for Public Comments on Short Supply Request under the United States-Caribbean Basin Trade Partnership Act (CBTPA).

January 7, 2002.

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

**ACTION:** Request for public comments  
concerning a request for a determination  
that certain shirting fabrics, for use in  
blouses, cannot be supplied by the  
domestic industry in commercial  
quantities in a timely manner under the  
CBTPA.

**SUMMARY:** On January 4, 2002 the  
Chairman of CITA received a petition  
from School Apparel, Inc. alleging that  
certain shirting fabrics, classified in  
subheadings 5210.21 and 5210.31 of the  
Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the  
United States (HTSUS), used in the  
production of women's and girls'  
blouses, cannot be supplied by the  
domestic industry in commercial  
quantities in a timely manner. It  
requests that blouses of such fabrics be  
eligible for preferential treatment under  
the CBTPA. CITA hereby solicits public  
comments on this request, in particular  
with regard to whether such shirting  
fabrics can be supplied by the domestic  
industry in commercial quantities in a  
timely manner. Comments must be  
submitted by January 25, 2002 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:**  
Contact: Janet Heinzen, 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  
CBTPA, 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  
authorizes 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 or a beneficiary country, if it has  
been determined that such fabric or  
yarns 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 in the **Federal Register** that  
it will follow in considering requests.  
(66 FR 13502).

On January 4, 2002 the Chairman of  
CITA received a petition from School  
Apparel, Inc., alleging that certain  
shirting fabrics, specifically fabrics of  
subheadings 5210.21 and 5210.31, not  
of square construction, containing more  
than 70 warp ends and filling picks per  
square centimeter, of average yarn  
number exceeding 70 metric, 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  
women's and girls' blouses that are both  
cut and sewn in one or more CBTPA  
beneficiary countries from such 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  
fabrics for purposes of the intended use.  
Comments must be received no later  
than January 25, 2002. 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  
shirting 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  
fabrics stating that it produces the  
fabrics that are 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  
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 Short Supply Request under the United States-Caribbean Basin Trade Partnership Act (CBTPA)

January 7, 2002.

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

**ACTION:** Request for public comments  
concerning a request for a determination  
that yarns of combed cashmere,  
cashmere blends and camel hair cannot  
be supplied by the domestic industry in  
commercial quantities in a timely  
manner under the CBTPA.

**SUMMARY:** On January 4, 2002 the  
Chairman of CITA received a petition  
from Warren Corporation, alleging that  
yarn of combed cashmere, cashmere  
blends, and camel hair, classified in  
subheading 5108.20.60 of the  
Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the  
United States (HTSUS), cannot be  
supplied by the domestic industry in  
commercial quantities in a timely  
manner. Warren Corporation requests  
that apparel articles of U.S. formed  
fabric of such yarn be eligible for  
preferential treatment under the CBTPA.  
CITA hereby solicits public comments  
on this request, in particular with regard  
to whether yarn of combed cashmere,  
cashmere blends, or camel hair can be  
supplied by the domestic industry in  
commercial quantities in a timely  
manner. Comments must be submitted  
by January 25, 2002 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:**

Contact: Martin J. Walsh, 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 CBTPA, 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 authorizes 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 or a beneficiary country, if it has been determined that such fabric or yarns 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 in the **Federal Register** that it will follow in considering requests. (66 FR 13502).

On January 4, 2002 the Chairman of CITA received a petition from Warren Corporation, alleging that yarn of combed cashmere, cashmere blends, and camel hair, classified in HTSUS subheading 5108.20.60 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 apparel articles that are both cut (or knit-to-shape) and sewn or otherwise assembled in one or more CBTPA beneficiary countries from U.S. formed fabric of such yarn.

CITA is soliciting public comments regarding this request, particularly with respect to whether this yarn can be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner. Also relevant is whether other yarns that are supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a

timely manner are substitutable for the yarn for purposes of the intended use. Comments must be received no later than January 25, 2002. 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 yarn of combed cashmere, cashmere blends or camel hair 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 yarn stating that it produces the yarn that is in 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 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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**COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION**

**Request of the Chicago Board of Trade (CBOT) for Product Approval of CBOT X-Fund Futures**

**AGENCY:** Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of terms and conditions of commodity futures contract.

**SUMMARY:** The Chicago Board of Trade (CBOT or Exchange) has requested that the Commission approve a new product, CBOT X-fund futures, pursuant to the provisions of section 5c(c)(2)(A) of the Commodity Exchange Act as amended. The Acting Director of the Division of Economic Analysis (Division) of the Commission, acting pursuant to the

authority delegated by the Commission Regulation 140.96, has determined that public comment on the proposed product is in the public interest, will assist the Commission in considering the views of interested persons, and is consistent with the purpose of the Commodity Exchange Act.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before January 25, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons should submit their views and comments to Jean A. Webb, Secretary, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street, NW., Washington, DC 20581. In addition, comments may be sent by facsimile transmission to facsimile number (202) 418-5521 or by electronic mail to [secretary@cftc.gov](mailto:secretary@cftc.gov). Reference should be made to the CBOT X-Fund futures contract.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Please contact Richard Shilts of the Division of Economic Analysis, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street NW., Washington, DC (202) 418-5282. Facsimile number: (202) 418-5527. Electronic mail: [Manalysis@cftc.gov](mailto:Manalysis@cftc.gov)

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Copies of the terms and condition of the X-Fund futures contract, as well as additional information about the contract, are available on the CBOT Web site at: [http://www.CBOT.com/cbot/www/cont\\_modular/1,2291,14+56+13,00.html](http://www.CBOT.com/cbot/www/cont_modular/1,2291,14+56+13,00.html).

Other materials submitted by the CBOT in support of the request for product approval may be available upon request pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552) and the Commission's regulations thereunder (17 CFR part 145 (2000)), except to the extent they are entitled to confidential treatment as set forth in 17 CFR 145.5 and 145.9. Requests for copies of such materials should be made to the FOI, Privacy and Sunshine Act Compliance Staff of the Office of Secretariat at the Commission's headquarters in accordance with 17 CFR 145.7 and 145.8.

Any person interested in submitting written data, views, or arguments on the proposed terms and conditions, or with respect to other materials submitted by the CBOT should send such comments to Jean A. Webb, Secretary, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street, NW., Washington, DC 20581 by the specified date.