

On February 1, 2008, the Chairman of CITA received a request from Gentry Mills, alleging that certain viscose rayon fiber, classified under subheading 5504.10.0000 of the HTSUS, cannot be supplied by the domestic or Australian industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner and requesting that CITA consider whether the USAFTA rule of origin for 52% viscose/48% polyester blended yarn of HTSUS subheading 5510.90.2000 should be modified to allow the use of non-U.S. and non-Australian viscose rayon fiber of HTSUS 5504.10.0000.

CITA is soliciting public comments regarding this request, particularly with respect to whether the viscose rayon fiber described above can be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner. Comments must be received no later than March 27, 2008. Interested persons are invited to submit six copies of such comments or information to the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements, Room 3001, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20230.

If a comment alleges that viscose rayon fiber 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 stating that it produces viscose rayon fiber 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 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 3001 in the Herbert Hoover Building, 14th and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20230. In addition, non-confidential versions of the request and non-confidential versions of any public comments will be posted for public review on the Office of Textiles and Apparel ("OTEXA") website ([otexa.ita.doc.gov](http://otexa.ita.doc.gov)). Persons submitting comments on a request are encouraged to include a non-

confidential version and a non-confidential summary.

**R. Matthew Priest,**

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary of Defense

#### Disestablishment of Department of Defense Federal Advisory Committees

**AGENCY:** DoD.

**ACTION:** Disestablishment of Federal Advisory Committees.

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C. Appendix, as amended), and the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended), the Department of Defense gives notice that it is disestablishing the Department of Defense Retirement Board of Actuaries and the Department of Defense Education Benefits Board of Actuaries.

The Department of Defense Retirement Board of Actuaries and the Department of Defense Education Benefits Board of Actuaries are non-discretionary Federal advisory committees that are being disestablished pursuant to section 906(b) of Public Law 110-181. The responsibilities of both advisory committees will continue; however, they will be done by the Department of Defense Board of Actuaries, which was authorized by section 906(a) of Public Law 110-181.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jim Freeman, Deputy Committee Management Officer for the Department of Defense, 703-601-2554, extension 128.

Dated: February 19, 2008.

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#### Establishment of Department of Defense Federal Advisory Committees

**AGENCY:** DoD.

**ACTION:** Establishment of Federal Advisory Committee.

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C. Appendix, as amended), and the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended), the Department of Defense gives notice that it is establishing the Department of Defense Board of Actuaries (hereafter referred to as the Board).

The Board is a non-discretionary federal advisory committee established under the authority of 10 U.S.C. 183. The Board shall: (1) Review valuations of the Department of Defense Military Retirement Fund in accordance with 10 U.S.C. 1465(c) and submit to the President and Congress, not less than once every four years, a report on the status of the Fund including such recommendations for modifications to the funding or amortization of that Fund as the Board considers appropriate and necessary to maintain that Fund on a sound actuarial basis; (2) review valuations of the Department of Defense Education Benefits Fund in accordance with 10 U.S.C. 2006(e), as amended, and make recommendations to the President and Congress on such modifications to the funding or amortization of that Fund as the Board considers appropriate to maintain that Fund on a sound actuarial basis; and (3) review valuations of such other funds as the Secretary of Defense shall specify for purpose of 10 U.S.C. 183 and make recommendations to the President and Congress on such modifications to the funding or amortization of such funds as the Board considers appropriate to maintain such funds on a sound actuarial basis. The Secretary of Defense shall ensure that the Board has access to such records regarding the Military Retirement Fund and the Department of Defense Education Benefits Fund as the Board shall require to determine the actuarial status of such funds.

The Board shall be composed of not more than three members appointed by the Secretary of Defense from among qualified professional actuaries who are members of the Society of Actuaries. Members appointed by the Secretary of Defense, who are not federal officers or employees, shall serve as Special Government Employees under the authority of 5 U.S.C. 3109.

The members shall serve for a term of 15 years, except that a member of the Board appointed to fill a vacancy occurring before the end of the term for which the predecessor was appointed shall serve only until the end of such term. A member may serve after the end of the term until a successor has taken office. A member of the Board may be removed by the Secretary of Defense for