

Category	Twelve-month restraint limit
647/648	2,659,732 dozen.

¹Category 331pt.: all HTS numbers except 6116.10.1720, 6116.10.4810, 6116.10.5510, 6116.10.7510, 6116.92.6410, 6116.92.6420, 6116.92.6430, 6116.92.6440, 6116.92.7450, 6116.92.7460, 6116.92.7470, 6116.92.8800, 6116.92.9400 and 6116.99.9510.

²Category 369-S: only HTS number 6307.10.2005.

The limits set forth above are subject to adjustment pursuant to the provisions of the ATC and administrative arrangements notified to the Textiles Monitoring Body.

Products in the above categories exported during 2003 shall be charged to the applicable category limits for that year (see directive dated October 18, 2002) to the extent of any unfilled balances. In the event the limits established for that period have been exhausted by previous entries, such products shall be charged to the limits set forth in this directive.

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,
James C. Leonard III,
Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Announcement of Import Restraint Limits for Certain Cotton, Wool and Man-Made Fiber Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in the Arab Republic of Egypt

October 14, 2003.

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

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection establishing limits.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2004.

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 these limits, refer to the Quota Status Reports posted on the bulletin boards of each Customs port, call (202) 927-5850, or refer to the Bureau of Customs and Border Protection website at <http://www.customs.gov>. For information on embargoes and quota re-openings, refer to the Office of Textiles and Apparel website at <http://otexa.ita.doc.gov>.

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 import restraint limits for textile products, produced or manufactured in Egypt and exported during the period January 1, 2004 through December 31, 2004 are based on limits notified to the Textiles Monitoring Body pursuant to the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (ATC).

In the letter published below, the Chairman of CITA directs the Commissioner, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection to establish the 2004 limits.

These limits are subject to adjustment pursuant to the provisions of the ATC and administrative arrangements notified to the Textiles Monitoring Body. However, as the ATC and all restrictions thereunder will terminate on January 1, 2005, no adjustment for carryforward (borrowing from next year's limits for use in the current year) will be available.

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 68 FR 1599, published on January 13, 2003). Information regarding the 2004 Correlation will be published in the **Federal Register** at a later date.

James C. Leonard III,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

October 14, 2003.

Commissioner,
Bureau of Customs and Border Protection,
Washington, DC 20229.

Dear Commissioner: Pursuant to section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854); Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended; and the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (ATC), you are directed to prohibit, effective on January 1, 2004, entry into the United States for consumption and withdrawal from warehouse for consumption of cotton, wool and man-made fiber textile products in the following categories, produced or manufactured in Egypt and exported during the twelve-month period beginning on January 1, 2004 and extending through December 31, 2004, in excess of the following levels of restraint:

Category	Twelve-month restraint limit
Fabric Group 218-220, 224-227, 313-O ¹ , 314-O ² , 315-O ³ , 317-O ⁴ and 326-O ⁵ , as a group Sublevels within Fabric Group	205,916,302 square meters.
218	2,508,000 square meters.
219	48,447,510 square meters.
220	48,447,510 square meters.
224	48,447,510 square meters.
225	48,447,510 square meters.
226	48,447,510 square meters.
227	48,447,510 square meters.
313-O	88,963,510 square meters.
314-O	48,447,510 square meters.
315-O	56,892,347 square meters.
317-O	48,447,510 square meters.
326-O	2,508,000 square meters.
Levels not in a group 300/301	19,274,099 kilograms of which not more than 6,045,035 kilograms shall be in Category 301.
338/339	5,287,822 dozen.
340/640	2,190,671 dozen.
369-S ⁶	2,774,069 kilograms.
448	21,315 dozen.

¹Category 313-O: all HTS numbers except 5208.52.3035, 5208.52.4035 and 5209.51.6032.

²Category 314-O: all HTS numbers except 5209.51.6015.

³Category 315-O: all HTS numbers except 5208.52.4055.

⁴Category 317-O: all HTS numbers except 5208.59.2085.

⁵Category 326-O: all HTS numbers except 5208.59.2015, 5209.59.0015 and 5211.59.0015.

⁶Category 369-S: only HTS number 6307.10.2005.

The limits set forth above are subject to adjustment pursuant to the provisions of the ATC and administrative arrangements notified to the Textiles Monitoring Body.

Products in the above categories exported during 2003 shall be charged to the applicable category limits for that year (see directive dated October 8, 2002) to the extent of any unfilled balances. In the event the limits established for that period have been exhausted by previous entries, such products shall be charged to the limits set forth in this directive.

In carrying out the above directions, the Commissioner, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection should construe entry into the United States for consumption to include

entry for consumption into the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that these actions fall within the foreign affairs exception of the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,
James C. Leonard III,
Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

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

October 14, 2003.

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

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection establishing limits.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2004.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Naomi Freeman, 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, call (202) 927-5850, or refer to the Bureau of Customs and Border Protection website at <http://www.customs.gov>. For information on embargoes and quota re-openings, refer to the Office of Textiles and Apparel website at <http://otexa.ita.doc.gov>.

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 import restraint limits for textile products, produced or manufactured in Hong Kong and exported during the period January 1, 2004 through December 31, 2004 are based on limits notified to the Textiles Monitoring Body pursuant to the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (ATC).

In the letter published below, the Chairman of CITA directs the Commissioner, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection, to establish the 2004 limits. These limits have been adjusted, variously, pursuant to the provisions of the ATC and administrative arrangements notified to the Textiles Monitoring Body. These limits are subject to further adjustment pursuant to these provisions. However, as the ATC and all restrictions thereunder will terminate on January 1, 2005, no adjustment for carryforward (borrowing from next year's limits for use in the

current year) has been made nor will such an adjustment be available in the future.

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 68 FR 1599, published on January 13, 2003). Information regarding the 2004 Correlation will be published in the **Federal Register**.

James C. Leonard III,
Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

October 14, 2003.

Commissioner,
Bureau of Customs and Border Protection,
Washington, DC 20229.

Dear Commissioner: Pursuant to section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854); Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended; and the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (ATC), you are directed to prohibit, effective on January 1, 2004, entry into the United States for consumption and withdrawal from warehouse for consumption of cotton, wool, man-made fiber, silk blend and other vegetable fiber textiles and textile products in the following categories, produced or manufactured in Hong Kong and exported during the twelve-month period beginning on January 1, 2004 and extending through December 31, 2004, in excess of the following levels of restraint:

Category	Twelve-month restraint limit
Group I	
200-220, 224-227, 300-326, 360-363, 369(1) ¹ , 369pt. ² , 400-414, 469pt. ³ , 603, 604, 611-620, 624-629 and 666pt. ⁴ , as a group.	181,028,517 square meters equivalent.
Sublevels in Group I	
218/225/317/326	84,752,686 square meters of which not more than 4,667,846 square meters shall be in Category 218(1) ⁵ (yarn dyed fabric other than denim and jacquard).
219	53,307,547 square meters.
611	8,404,654 square meters.
617	5,302,747 square meters.
Group I subgroup	
200, 226/313, 314, 315, 369(1) and 604, as a group	142,861,341 square meters equivalent.
Within Group I subgroup	
200	459,597 kilograms.
226/313	95,622,293 square meters.
314	25,788,184 square meters.
315	12,749,766 square meters.
369(1) (shoptowels)	1,047,772 kilograms.
604	315,482 kilograms.
Group II	
237, 239pt. ⁶ , 331pt. ⁷ 332-348, 351, 352, 359(1) ⁸ , 359(2) ⁹ , 359pt. ¹⁰ , 433-438, 440-448, 459pt. ¹¹ , 631pt. ¹² 633-648, 651, 652, 659(1) ¹³ , 659(2) ¹⁴ , 659pt. ¹⁵ , and 443/444/643/644(1), as a group.	936,285,136 square meters equivalent.
Sublevels in Group II	
237	1,541,510 dozen.
331pt.	1,640,761 dozen pairs.
333/334	350,628 dozen.
335	358,766 dozen.
338/339 ¹⁶ (shirts and blouses other than tank tops and tops, knit)	3,049,398 dozen.
338/339(1) ¹⁷ (tank tops and knit tops)	2,291,027 dozen.