

ACTION: Solicitation of public comments concerning a request for safeguard action on imports from China of cotton and man-made fiber swimwear (Category 359-S/659-S).

SUMMARY: On July 11, 2005, the Committee received a request from the American Manufacturing Trade Action Coalition, the National Council of Textile Organizations, the National Textile Association, and UNITE HERE requesting that the Committee limit imports from China of cotton and man-made fiber swimwear (Category 359-S/659-S). They request that a textile and apparel safeguard action, as provided for in the Report of the Working Party on the Accession of China to the World Trade Organization (the Accession Agreement) be applied on imports of such swimwear. The Committee hereby solicits public comments on this request, in particular with regard to whether imports from China of such nightwear are, due to market disruption, threatening to impede the orderly development of trade in this product. Comments must be submitted by September 2, 2005 to the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements, Room 3001A, United States Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jay Dowling, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-4058.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: Section 204 of the Agriculture Act of 1956, as amended; Executive Order 11651, as amended.

BACKGROUND:

The Report of the Working Party on the Accession of China to the World Trade Organization (WTO) provides that, if a WTO Member, such as the United States, believes that imports of Chinese origin textile and apparel products are, "due to market disruption, threatening to impede the orderly development of trade in these products", it may request consultations with China with a view to easing or avoiding the disruption. Pursuant to this provision, if the United States requests consultations with China, it must, at the time of the request, provide China with a detailed factual statement showing (1) the existence or threat of market disruption; and (2) the role of products of Chinese origin in that disruption. Beginning on the date that it receives such a request, China must restrict its shipments to the United States to a level no greater than 7.5 percent (6 percent for wool product categories) above the

amount entered during the first 12 months of the most recent 14 months preceding the month in which the request was made.

The Committee has published procedures (the Procedures) it follows in considering requests for Accession Agreement textile and apparel safeguard actions (68 FR 27787, May 21, 2003; 68 FR 49440, August 18, 2003), including the information that must be included in such requests in order for the Committee to consider them.

On July 11, 2005, the Committee received a request that an Accession Agreement textile and apparel safeguard action be applied on imports from China of cotton and man-made fiber swimwear (Category 359-S/659-S). The Committee has determined that this request provides the information necessary for the Committee to consider the request in light of the considerations set forth in the Procedures. The text of the request is available at <http://otexa.ita.doc.gov/Safeguard05.htm>.

The Committee is soliciting public comments on this request, in particular with regard to whether imports from China of such swimwear are, due to market disruption, threatening to impede the orderly development of trade in this product.

Comments may be submitted by any interested person. Comments must be received no later than September 2, 2005. Interested persons are invited to submit ten copies of such comments to the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements, Room 3001A, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue N.W., Washington, DC 20230.

If a comment alleges that there is no market disruption or that the subject imports are not the cause of market disruption, the Committee will closely review any supporting information and documentation, such as information about domestic production or prices of like or directly competitive products. Particular consideration will be given to comments representing the views of actual producers in the United States of a like or directly competitive product.

The Committee will protect any business confidential information that is marked "business confidential" from disclosure to the full extent permitted by law. To the extent that business confidential information is provided, two copies of a non-confidential version must also be provided in which business confidential information is summarized or, if necessary, deleted. Comments received, with the exception of information marked "business confidential", will be available for inspection between Monday - Friday,

8:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. in the Trade Reference and Assistance Center Help Desk, Suite 800M, USA Trade Information Center, Ronald Reagan Building, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC, (202) 482-3433.

The Committee expects to make a determination within 60 calendar days of the close of the comment period as to whether the United States will request consultations with China. If, however, the Committee is unable to make a determination within 60 calendar days, it will cause to be published a notice in the Federal Register, including the date by which it will make a determination. If the Committee makes a negative determination, it will cause this determination and the reasons therefore to be published in the Federal Register. If the Committee makes an affirmative determination that imports of Chinese origin cotton and man-made fiber swimwear are, due to market disruption, threatening to impede the orderly development of trade in these products, the United States will request consultations with China with a view to easing or avoiding such market disruption in accordance with the Accession Agreement and the Committee's Procedures.

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

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CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Availability of Draft Strategic Plan and Request for Comment

AGENCY: Corporation for National and Community Service.

ACTION: Notice of availability of draft strategic plan and request for comment.

SUMMARY: The Corporation for National and Community Service ("Corporation") announces the availability of its draft strategic plan for 2005-2010. The Government Performance and Results Act of 1993 (GPRA) requires Federal agencies to establish a strategic plan covering not less than a 5-year period, and to solicit the views and suggestions of those entities potentially affected by or interested in the plan. The Corporation is interested in receiving comments on its draft strategic plan. Comments may be provided in writing or expressed during scheduled conference calls.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted by August 31, 2005. If comments are received after that date, we will consider them to the extent practicable.

ADDRESSES: Written comments on the draft strategic plan may be submitted to the Corporation by any of the following methods:

1. Electronically via the Corporation's e-mail address system to: strategicplan@cns.gov.

2. By fax to 202-606-3464, Attention: CNCS Strategic Plan Coordinator, Office of Research and Policy Development, 1201 New York Avenue, NW., Suite 10900, Washington, DC.

3. By hand delivery or courier to the Corporation's mailroom at room 8410 at the address given in paragraph (2) above, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

4. By mail sent to: Corporation for National and Community Service, Attention: Strategic Plan Coordinator, Office of Research and Policy Development, 1201 New York Avenue, NW., Suite 10900, Washington, DC 20525.

Due to continued delays in the Corporation's receipt of mail, we strongly encourage responses via e-mail, fax, and hand or courier delivery. Additionally, comments may be expressed during scheduled conference calls described below. This notice may be requested in alternative format for the visually impaired.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: LaMonica Shelton; Corporation for National and Community Service, 1201 New York Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20525; (202) 606-6743. For additional information about the conference calls, please refer to our Web site <http://www.NationalService.gov> or contact Angela Martin at 202-606-6711 or amartin@cns.gov. The TDD/TTY number is 202-606-3472.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: GPRA requires Federal agencies to establish a strategic plan covering not less than a 5-year period, and to solicit the views and suggestions of those entities potentially affected by or interested in the plan. This notice represents one in a series of consultations seeking input from a variety of sources on the Corporation's draft strategic plan. The draft strategic plan is available on the Corporation's Web site at <http://www.NationalService.gov>. The draft plan includes the Corporation's mission statement and a description of strategic goals and implementation steps. The Corporation's annual operating plans and budgets are designed to implement

the strategic plan. We would like to receive input from a wide range of organizations, public bodies, and other stakeholders. We especially encourage the views and suggestions of organizations sponsoring national service programs, state commissions on national and community service, state and local education agencies, other state and local government entities, other volunteer and service organizations, and Members of Congress. The Corporation also encourages comments from current and former participants in Corporation-funded national service programs and has sought the input of our own employees.

Please consider the following questions in providing your input:

- Does the document express the spirit and history of service while also explaining why Corporation-funded national service programs are critical today?
- Are the focus areas appropriate cross-program priorities for the agency for the next five years?
- Under the focus areas, have we identified strong strategies and targets?
- Will this Strategic Plan help you in your future planning?

Public Comment. It is the policy of the Corporation to encourage stakeholders in our programs and other interested parties to comment on the draft strategic plan. This policy is intended to provide a means for gathering a collection of opinions and perspectives that will enable us to make more informed decisions on matters that affect the future of our national service programs. In addition to written comments, which may be submitted in the manner set out above in the **ADDRESSES** section, input also may be provided by participating in one of our conference calls.

Conference Calls. During the month of August, the Corporation is planning three conference calls for the purpose of obtaining comments on the draft strategic plan. Please check our Web site at <http://www.NationalService.gov> for further information on dates, times, and other information regarding these conference calls, or contact Angela Martin at 202-606-6711 or amartin@cns.gov.

As you comment, please provide the rationale for any suggestions and identify whether you base your suggestions on participation in, or direct observation of, national service programs and activities conducted and supported by the Corporation. We anticipate publishing the final Strategic Plan for 2005-2010 in the fall of 2005, and making it available on our Web site at that time.

Dated: July 28, 2005.

Frank R. Trinity,

General Counsel.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice.

The Department of Defense has submitted to OMB for clearance, the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by September 2, 2005.

Title and OMB Number: Secretary of Defense Biennial Review of Defense Agencies and DoD Field Activities; OMB Number 0704-0422.

Type of Request: Extension.

Number of Respondents: 3,000.

Responses Per Respondent: 1.

Annual Responses: 3,000.

Average Burden Per Response: 15 minutes.

Annual Burden Hours: 750.

Needs and Uses: Section 192(c) of Title 10, U.S.C., requires that the Secretary of Defense review the services and supplies provided by each Defense Agency and DoD Field Activity. The purposes of the Biennial Review are to ensure the continuing need for each Agency and Field Activity and to ensure that the services and supplies provided by each entity is accomplished in a more effective, economical, or efficient manner than by the Military Departments. A standard organizational customer survey process serves as the principal data-gathering methodology in the Biennial Review. As such, it provides valuable information to senior officials in the Department regarding the levels of satisfaction held by the organizational customers of the approximately 27 Defense Agencies and DoD Field Activities covered by the Biennial Review.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; business or other for-profit; not-for-profit institutions; and State, local or tribal governments.

Frequency: Biennially.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

OMB Desk Officer: Mr. Lewis Oleinick.

Written comments and recommendations on the proposed