

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: Section 213(b)(2)(A)(v)(II) of the CBERA, 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. The CBTPA also provides for 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, if it has been determined that such fabric or yarn 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 that it will follow in considering requests. (66 FR 13502).

On August 31, 2004, the Chairman of CITA received a petition on behalf of Mast Industries, Inc., alleging that certain twill rayon/nylon/spandex warp stretch fabric, of the specifications detailed below, classified HTSUS subheading 5516.22.0040, 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 cut and sewn in one or more CBTPA beneficiary countries from such fabrics.

Specifications:

HTSUS Sub-heading:	5516.22.0040
Fiber Content:	77% staple rayon/ 20% filament nylon/ 3% filament spandex
Weight:	245 g/m ²
Construction:	2 X 1 twill weave
Thread Count:	39.4 warp ends per centimeter and 29.9 filling picks per centimeter

Yarn Number:

Warp: 70 denier filament nylon yarns gimped around a core of 40 denier monofilament spandex; filling: 10/1 c.c. staple rayon yarn

The petitioner emphasizes the importance of weaving and dyeing the fabric under controlled "relaxed" (i.e. tensionless) conditions. The subject fabric requires the use of tentering frames to overfeed the fabric through a relaxed drying process.

CITA is soliciting public comments regarding this request, particularly with respect to whether this fabric 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 fabric for purposes of the intended use. Comments must be received no later than September 23, 2004. 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 this fabric 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 fabric stating that it produces the fabric 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 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.

James C. Leonard III,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS**Request for Public Comments on Commercial Availability Petition under the United States - Caribbean Basin Trade Partnership Act (CBTPA)**

September 3, 2004.

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

ACTION: Request for public comments concerning a petition for determinations that certain circular single knit jersey fabric cannot be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner under the CBTPA.

SUMMARY: On August 31, 2004, the Chairman of CITA received a petition from Sandler, Travis & Rosenberg, P.A., on behalf of Jaclyn, Inc. of New York, alleging that certain circular single knit jersey fabric of the specifications detailed below, classified in subheading 6006.32.00.80 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS), cannot be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner. The petition requests that women's and girl's nightwear of such fabric assembled in one or more CBTPA beneficiary countries be eligible for preferential treatment under the CBTPA. CITA hereby solicits public comments on this petition, in particular with regard to whether this fabric can be supplied by the domestic industry in commercial quantities in a timely manner. Comments must be submitted by September 23, 2004 to the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements, Room 3001, United States Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Anna Flaaten, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-3400.

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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, if it has been determined that such fabric or yarn 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 that it will follow in considering requests. (66 FR 13502).

On August 31, 2004, the Chairman of CITA received a petition on behalf of Jaclyn, Inc. of New York, alleging that certain circular single knit jersey fabric, of the specifications detailed below, classified HTSUS subheading 6006.32.00.80, 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 certain apparel articles that are cut and sewn in one or more CBTPA beneficiary countries from such fabric.

Specifications:

Fabric Description:	single knit jersey, jacquard geometric rib stitch
Petitioner Style No:	4934
HTS Subheading:	6006.32.00.80
Fiber Content:	64% polyester staple/34% cotton/2% spandex
Weight:	6.165 sq. meters/kg
Yarn Size:	54.14 metric (32/1 English), spun, filament core
Gauge:	24
Finish:	(Piece) dyed
Stretch Characteristics:	45% from relaxed state; 95% recovery to relaxed state

The petitioner emphasizes that the fabric must be knit on a jacquard machine in order to provide the geometric pattern and puckered effect apparent in the fabric. Also, the petitioner states that the fabric's stretch properties set forth are necessary.

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Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: 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 October 8, 2004.

Title, Form, and OMB Number: National Security Education Program (Service Agreement Report for Scholarship and Fellowship Awards); DD Form 2572, National Security Education Program (NSEP) Service Agreement for Scholarship and Fellowship Awards, and DD Form 2573, National Security Education Program (NSEP) Service Agreement Report (SAR) for Scholarship and Fellowship Awards; OMB control number 0704-0368.

Type of Request: Reinstatement.
Number of Respondents: 300.
Responses Per Respondent: 2.
Annual Responses: 600.
Average Burden Per Response: 30 minutes.

Annual Burden Hours: 300.
Needs and Uses: This information collection requirement is necessary to obtain verification that applicable scholarship and fellowship recipients are fulfilling service obligations mandated by the David L. Boren National Security Education Act of 1991, Title VIII of Public Law 102-183, as amended.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; Federal Government agencies.

Frequency: Semi-annually.
Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.
OMB Desk Officer: Ms. Jacqueline Zeiher.

Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to Ms. Zeiher at the Office of Management and Budget, Desk Officer for DoD, Room 10236, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

DOD Clearance Officer: Mr. Robert Cushing.

Written requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Mr. Cushing, WHS/ESCD/Information Management Division, 1225 South Clark Street, Suite 504, Arlington VA 22202-4326.

Dated: August 31, 2004.

Patricia L. Toppings,
Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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Title, Form, and OMB Number: Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) Part 204, administrative matters, and related clauses at DFARS 252.204; DD Form 2051, Request for Assignment of a