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MEMORANDUM FOR: Directors, Field Operations

FROM: Director, Textile / Apparel Policy and Programs
Office of International Trade

SUBJECT: QBT-12-524: 2013 Correction to Andean Trade Promotion and
Drug Eradication Act (ATPDEA) Quantitative Limitations

REFERENCE: QBT-12-517, dated September 26, 2012

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COMMODITY:

Wearing Apparel and Certain Textile Products from Ecuador. Ecuador is the only participating country effective May 12, 2012.

QUOTA PERIOD:

October 1, 2012 through July 31, 2013.

OPENING DATE:

Monday, October 1, 2012.

RESTRAINT LEVEL:

1,239,899,947 square meter equivalents.

Once the in-quota allocation is filled, goods will be allowed to enter at the normal trade relations rate as noted in the HTSUS.

HTS NUMBERS:

First Tariff Field

Second Tariff Field

9821.11.25

Chapters 61 and 62,
Headings 6501, 6502, 6503, and 6504,
Subheadings 6406.99.15 and 6505.90
(through 6505.90.9089)

Wearing apparel and textile products exported from countries for which preferential tariff treatment under the ATPDEA is NOT claimed is subject to the normal trade relations (NTR) rate. Under these circumstances ONLY the appropriate HTSUS chapter 1-97 number is to be provided in the first tariff field.

For non-quota textile merchandise, see TBT-02-035.

This notice replaces the Federal Register notice in Vol. 77, No. 190 published on Monday, October 1, 2012 by Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA) titled 'Amendment of Limitation of Duty- and Quota-Free Imports of Apparel Articles Assembled in Beneficiary ATPDEA Countries From Regional Country Fabric'. Specifically, this notice corrects the quantity of imports eligible for preferential treatment under the regional fabric provision. The original notice incorrectly listed the quantity of imports eligible for preferential treatment to be 1,341,030,128. As corrected below, the actual quantity of imports eligible for preferential treatment is 1,239,899,947. Apparel articles entered in excess of this quantity will be subject to otherwise applicable tariffs.

The purpose of this notice is to extend the period of the quantitative limitation for preferential tariff treatment under the regional fabric provision for imports of qualifying apparel articles from Ecuador through July 31, 2013.

REPORTING INSTRUCTIONS:

Use entry type code 02, 06, 07, 12, 23, 32, 38, or 52.

Merchandise presented at the opening shall be reported and released via the quota module of ACS until a "hold" status is indicated.

Report in unit of measure (UOM) quantity corresponding with the specific HTSUS numbers.

DISTRIBUTION:

Please ensure that this notice is passed to all port directors, assistant port directors (trade), import specialists, entry specialists, CBP officers, and other interested parties such as brokers and importers.

NOTIFICATION:

No further editions of this QBT for ATPDEA will be issued until amendments in agreements or changes in quota amounts occur.

Questions from the importing community regarding this electronic message should be referred to the local CBP port. The port may refer their questions through email to HQ Quota or contact International trade Specialist John O. Raymer, Jr at (202) 863-6372.