NOTICE 188 OF 2009

INTERNATIONAL TRADE ADMINISTRATION COMMISSION

CUSTOMS TARIFF APPLICATION LIST 2/2009

The International Trade Administration Commission (herein after referred to as ITAC or the Commission) has received the following application concerning the Customs Tariff. Any objection to or comment on this representation should be submitted to the Chief Commissioner, ITAC, Private Bag X753, Pretoria, 0001, within six weeks of the date of this notice. Attention is drawn to the fact that the rate of duty mentioned in the application is that requested by the applicant and that the Commission may, depending on its findings, recommend a lower or higher rate of duty.

CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

The submission of confidential information to the Commission in connection with customs tariff applications is governed by section 3 of the Tariff Investigations Regulations, which regulations can be found on ITAC's website at http://www.itac.org.za/documents/R.397.pdf.

These regulations require that if any information is considered to be confidential, then a <u>non-confidential version of the information must be submitted</u>, simultaneously with the confidential version. In submitting a non-confidential version the regulations are strictly applicable and require parties to indicate:

- □ Each instance where confidential information has been omitted and the reasons for confidentiality;
- A summary of the confidential information which permits other interested parties a reasonable understanding of the substance of the confidential information; and
- □ In exceptional cases, where information is not susceptible to summary, reasons must be submitted to this effect.

This rule applies to all parties and to all correspondence with and submissions to the Commission, which unless clearly indicated to be confidential, will be made available to other interested parties. The Commission will disregard any information indicated to be confidential that is not accompanied by a proper non-confidential summary or the aforementioned reasons.

If a party considers that any document of another party, on which that party is submitting representations, does not comply with the above rules and that such deficiency affects that party's ability to make meaningful representations, the details of the deficiency and the reasons why that party's rights are so affected must be submitted to the commission in writing forthwith (and at the latest 14 days prior to the date on which that party's submission is due). Failure to do so timeously will seriously hamper the proper administration of the investigation, and such party will not be able to subsequently claim an inability to make meaningful representations on the basis of the failure of such other party to meet the requirements.

Rebate provision for the home textile industry:

311.42 INDUSTRY: TEXTILE BED, TABLE, TOILET AND KITCHEN LINEN; CURTAINS, INTERIOR BLINDS, CURTAIN OR BED VALANCES, OTHER FURNISHING ARTICLES AND ARTICLES OF BEDDING AND SIMILAR FURNISHING FITTED WITH SPRINGS OR STUFFED OR INTERNALLY FITTED WITH ANY MATERIAL OR OF CELLULAR RUBBER OR PLASTICS, WHETHER OR NOT COVERED

52.08 Woven fabrics of cotton, containing 85 per cent or more by mass of cotton, of a mass exceeding 100g/m² but not exceeding 200 g/m² in rolls of a width of 200 cm or more, for the manufacture of goods classifiable under tariff headings, 63.02, 63.03, 63.04, 63.07 and 94.04

5208.23 Woven fabrics of cotton, containing 85 per cent or more by mass of cotton, of a mass exceeding 100g/m² but not exceeding 200 g/m², bleached, with 3-thread or 4-thread twill, including cross twill and with a thread count of 78 cm² or more, in rolls with a width of 160 cm or more, for the manufacture of goods classifiable under tariff subheading 63.07 and the manufacture of articles of bedding classifiable under tariff subheading 9404.30, 9404.90

5208.33 Woven fabrics of cotton containing 85 per cent or more by mass of cotton, of a mass exceeding 100g/m² but not exceeding 200 g/m², dyed, 3-thread or 4-thread twill, including cross twill, with a thread count of 78 cm² or more, in rolls with a width of 160 cm or more, for the manufacture of goods classifiable under tariff subheading 63.07 and articles of bedding classifiable under tariff subheadings 9404.30, 9404.90

52.09 Woven fabrics of cotton, containing 85 per cent or more by mass of cotton of a mass exceeding 200 g/m², in rolls of a width of 200 cm or more, for the manufacture of goods classifiable under tariff headings 63.02, 63.03, 63.04 and 94.04

52.10 Woven fabrics of cotton, containing less than 85 per cent of cotton, mixed mainly or solely with man-made fibres, of a mass not exceeding 200 g/m², in rolls of a width of 200 cm or more, for the manufacture of goods classifiable under tariff headings 63.02, 63.03, 63.04 and 94.04

54.07 Woven fabrics of synthetic filament yarn, including woven fabrics obtained from materials of heading 54.05, in rolls of a width of 160 cm or more, for the manufacture of goods classifiable under tariff headings 63.02, 63.03, 63.04 and 94.04

55.03 Synthetic staple fibres, not carded, combed or otherwise processed for spinning, for the manufacture of goods classifiable under tariff heading 94.04

55.13 Woven fabrics of synthetic staple fibres, containing less than 85 per cent by mass of such fibres, mixed mainly or solely with cotton, of a mass not exceeding 170 g/m², in rolls of a width of 200 cm or more, for the manufacture of goods classifiable under tariff subheading 63.02, 63.03, 63.04 and 94.04

55.14 Woven fabrics of synthetic staple fibres, containing less than 85 per cent by mass of such fibres, mixed mainly or solely with cotton, of a mass not exceeding 170 g/m², dyed or printed, in rolls of a width of 200 cm or more, for the manufacture of goods classifiable under tariff subheading 63.02, 63.03, 63.04 and 94.04

5903.20 Textile fabrics impregnated, coated, covered or laminated with polyurethane, in rolls of a width of 200 cm or more, for the manufacture of mattress covers classifiable under tariff heading 63.02

6001.21 Looped pile fabrics, knitted or crocheted, of cotton, in rolls of a width of 200 cm or more, for the manufacture of mattress covers classifiable under tariff heading 63.02.

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As reason for the application the applicant stated that:

- □ The product in question is not manufactured in the SACU.
- ☐ The import duties paid to the raw materials renders the applicant uncompetitive against the imported finished product.

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