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Sub: <u>Inviting participation at 'XI International Uzbek Cotton and Textile Fair' from 15-16</u> <u>October 2015 in Tashkent, Uzbekistan</u>

Dear Member,

The Cotton Textiles Export Promotion Council (TEXPROCIL) has been informed by Ministry of Textiles to circulate information regarding **'XI International Uzbek Cotton and Textile Fair'** being organised from 15-16 October 2015 in Tashkent, Uzbekistan.

'XI International Uzbek Cotton and Textile Fair' is organized by JSC <<Uzmarkazimpex>> operating under the Ministry for Foreign Economic Relations, Investment and Trade of the Republic of Uzbekistan. The Cotton and Textile Fair offers the participants an opportunity to sign contracts for Uzbek cotton, set up long-term cooperation in cotton trading, as well as to be familiar with the quality of Uzbek cotton and latest innovations in trade and logistics. Also during the Cotton Fair "round tables" and bilateral negotiations between Uzbek cotton exporters and consumers will be organized.

Overview of Textiles industry of Uzbekistan

Historically, the Great Silk Road from Japan to Europe which passed by Uzbekistan played its important role for development cotton and silk traditions in Uzbekistan. At present, the world textile production is experiencing a gradual shift to the regions with relatively low production costs. With traditional textile producing nations shifting the production base, cotton producing – Uzbekistan has a huge potential for further development of their textile industry. Uzbekistan offers most favourable conditions to absorb foreign investments from countries – leading textile centers. Other benefits include: Proximity of a huge CIS market (about US\$6.2 billion) – free trade zone; Growing local market and Uzbek's strategy to produce not only yarn and grey fabric, but also garment and hosiery.

Salient Features of Uzbek Textiles

Factors of competitiveness - Cotton fiber production – 1.0 + mln. Tons; Yarn production – 300 thousand tons; 15% price reduction of the cotton purchase; 20% reimbursement of VAT on the

purchase price of cotton; Low energy cost at US\$ 0.04/kVt; Skilled labor resources at US\$ 200/month; and Domestic market of 27.0 + mln. Population

Main priorities include - Production of cotton intense (denim, terry towelling, home textiles, etc.) and labor intense products (apparel); Development value added areas - dyeing & finishing, blended and technical fabrics; Support on shifting to Uzbekistan production capacities from Europe and elsewhere; and Development of «Uzbek textiles» and "Made in Uzbekistan" brands.

Source: "O'zbekyengilsanoat" - State Joint-Stock Company

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The available data on imports of Textiles & Clothing in Uzbekistan suggests that:

- 1. Uzbekistan imports more of Textiles than Clothing.
- 2. Cotton Textile imports comprised around 14% of overall T&C imports in 2014
- 3. China is a leading supplier to this market commanding 70% share in 2014
- 4. South Korea, Turkey, Italy, Russia and India are other leading suppliers to this market.
- 5. India ranked 4th in overall T&C imports and 3rd in Cotton Textiles Imports into Uzbekistan in 2014

Interested members are requested to register online by completing the **<u>online registration</u> <u>form (Click Here)</u>** or by contacting the organisers directly under intimation to the Texprocil Head Office.

For further details, please contact Organisers:

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Being an esteemed member of the Council & a leading exporter of cotton textiles, we solicit your participation for 'XI International Uzbek Cotton and Textile Fair'.

Regards,

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