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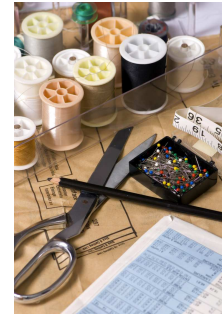
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## *Validity of Yarns America Affidavits of Origin Under Review*



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It has come to our attention that an entity by the name of “Yarns America” may have been passing off foreign yarn as yarn of U.S. origin and providing fraudulent affidavits of origin for the yarn. Specifically, it has been alleged by U.S. industry representatives that Yarns America has been repackaging Pakistani yarn and selling it to companies involved in manufacturing goods under preferential duty programs such as the Dominican Republic-Central America Free Trade Agreement (“DR-CAFTA”), North American Free Trade Agreement (“NAFTA”), Andean Trade Preference and Drug Eradication Act (“ATPDEA”), and the Caribbean Basin Trade Partnership Act (“CBTPA”).

If you are importing goods under a preferential duty program in reliance on an affidavit from Yarns America, you should consider discontinuing duty preference claims unless you can determine that the yarn was in fact produced in the United States.

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