DGFT POLICY CIRCULAR NO. 5 Dated: - 29.05.2003 Subject: Condition on import of textile and textile articles as per paragraph 11 of chapter 1A: General notes regarding import policy of ITC (HS) Classifications of Export and Import Items, 2002-2007- imports of textile items by the manufacturers who are exporters of leather products.

Council of Leather Exports in the Open House meeting held on 25.1.2003 at Chennai made a suggestion on the subject mentioned above. The Council requested to nominate them as agency for issuing certificates to its members. The said suggestions was agreed to in principle by the then Commerce and Industry Minister in the meeting.

The request and other requirements thereof have been considered and in order to facilitate clearance of import consignment of such items as imported by leather product exporters by Customs, it has been decided to nominate the "Council of Leather Export, Chennai" as a certifying agency to issue certificates to its members for the purpose subject to the following conditions:

(i) Council members have a valid RCMC on the date of issue

(ii) Importers are registered with the Council as manufacturer exporters in terms of Exim Policy provisions.

(iii) Items of imports are meant for manufacture of export products only and can not be sold/transferred to units in DTA.

This issues with the approval of Director General of Foreign Trade.

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