

authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), the Regulations Governing the Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216), the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered fish and wildlife (50 CFR part 222), the Fur Seal Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1151 *et seq.*), and fur seal regulations at 50 CFR part 215.

The permit application requests authorization to harass marine mammals and sea turtles by a low frequency sound source (peak frequency 75 Hz, 35 Hz bandwidth; 195 dB level (re 1 μPa at 1 m)) which would be located approximately 88 km offshore central California on Pioneer Seamount, at a depth of 980 m. The proposed research would be conducted over a 2-year period.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, NMFS is forwarding copies of this application to the Marine Mammal Commission and its Committee of Scientific Advisors.

Dated: May 11, 1995.

Ann D. Terbush,

Chief, Permits and Documentation Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Adjustment of Import Limits for Certain Cotton, Man-Made Fiber, Silk Blend and Other Vegetable Fiber Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Bangladesh

May 11, 1995.

AGENCY: Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs increasing limits.

EFFECTIVE DATE: May 15, 1995.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ross Arnold, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-4212. For information on the quota status of these limits, refer to the Quota Status Reports posted on the bulletin boards of each Customs port or call (202) 927-5850. For information on

embargoes and quota re-openings, call (202) 482-3715.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended; section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854).

The current limits for certain categories are being increased by recrediting unused carryforward and special carryforward.

A description of the textile and apparel categories in terms of HTS numbers is available in the **CORRELATION: Textile and Apparel Categories with the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States** (see **Federal Register** notice 59 FR 65531, published on December 20, 1994). Also see 60 FR 5371, published on January 27, 1995.

The letter to the Commissioner of Customs and the actions taken pursuant to it are not designed to implement all of the provisions of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act and the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing, but are designed to assist only in the implementation of certain of their provisions.

Rita D. Hayes,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

May 11, 1995

Commissioner of Customs,
Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20229.

Dear Commissioner: This directive amends, but does not cancel, the directive issued to you on January 24, 1995, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. That directive concerns imports of certain cotton, man-made fiber, silk blend and other vegetable fiber textiles and textile products, produced or manufactured in Bangladesh and exported during the twelve-month period which began on January 1, 1995 and extends through December 31, 1995.

Effective on May 15, 1995, you are directed to amend the January 24, 1995 directive to increase the limits for the following categories, as provided under the terms of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act and the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing:

Category	Adjusted twelve-month limit ¹
237	376,930 dozen.
331	906,360 dozen pairs.
334	109,143 dozen.
335	195,967 dozen.
336/636	350,689 dozen.
342/642	329,155 dozen.
369-S ²	1,376,141 kilograms.

Category	Adjusted twelve-month limit ¹
638/639	1,184,778 dozen.
641	839,306 dozen.
645/646	302,555 dozen.
647/648	942,193 dozen.
847	500,270 dozen.

¹ The limits have not been adjusted to account for any imports exported after December 31, 1994.

² Category 369-S: only HTS number 6307.10.2005.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that these actions fall within the foreign affairs exception to the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C.553(a)(1).

Sincerely,

Rita D. Hayes,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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Request for Public Comments on Bilateral Textile Consultations on Spun Yarn

May 11, 1995.

AGENCY: Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

ACTION: Notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ross Arnold, International Trade Specialists, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-4212. For information on categories for which consultations have been requested, call (202) 482-3740.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended; section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854).

On April 27, 1995, under the terms of Article 6 of the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (ATC) and the Uruguay Round Agreements Act, the Government of the United States requested consultations with the Government of Thailand with respect to spun yarn containing 85 percent or more by weight artificial staple fiber in Category 603, produced or manufactured in Thailand.

The purpose of this notice is to advise the public that, if no solution is agreed upon in consultations with the Government of Thailand, the Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements may later establish a limit for the entry and withdrawal from warehouse for consumption of textile

products in Category 603, produced or manufactured in Thailand and exported during the twelve-month period April 27, 1995 through April 26, 1996, at a level of not less than 1,249,659 kilograms. On April 27, 1995, CITA dropped its request for consultations with Thailand on Category 603 that was made on November 28, 1994 (see 60 FR 2081, published on January 6, 1995) and resubmitted the request under Article 6 of the ATC.

A summary statement of serious damage concerning Category 603 follows this notice.

Anyone wishing to comment or provide data or information regarding the treatment of Category 603, or to comment on domestic production or availability of products included in Category 603, is invited to submit 10 copies of such comments or information to Rita D. Hayes, Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230; ATTN: Helen L. LeGrande. The comments received will be considered in the context of the consultations with the Government of Thailand.

Because the exact timing of the consultations is not yet certain, comments should be submitted promptly. Comments or information submitted in response to this notice will be available for public inspection in the Office of Textiles and Apparel, room H3100, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC.

Further comments may be invited regarding particular comments or information received from the public which the Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements considers appropriate for further consideration.

The solicitation of comments regarding any aspect of the agreement or the implementation thereof is not a waiver in any respect of the exemption contained in 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1) relating to matters which constitute "a foreign affairs function of the United States."

The United States remains committed to finding a solution concerning Category 603. Should such a solution be reached in consultations with the Government Thailand, further notice will be published in the **Federal Register**.

A description of the textile and apparel categories in terms of HTS numbers is available in the **CORRELATION: Textile and Apparel Categories with the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States** (see

Federal Register notice 59 FR 65531, published on December 20, 1994).

Rita D. Hayes,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Summary Statement of Serious Damage Spun Yarn Containing 85 Percent or More By Weight Artificial Staple Fiber—Category 603

April 1995

The sharp and substantial increase in imports of spun yarn containing 85 percent or more by weight artificial staple fiber, Category 603, is causing serious damage to the U.S. industry producing spun yarn containing 85 percent or more by weight artificial staple fiber.

Category 603 imports surged from 5,259,000 kilograms in 1992 to 9,886,000 kilograms in 1993, a 88 percent increase. Imports of spun yarns containing 85 percent or more by weight artificial staple fiber, Category 603, continued to increase in 1994 and 1995, reaching 12,966,000 kilograms during year ending January 1995, 27 percent above the year ending January 1994 level and two and a half times the 1992 level.

Serious damage to the domestic industry resulting from the sharp and substantial increase in imports of spun yarn containing 85 percent or more by weight artificial staple fiber is attributed to imports from Thailand. Surging imports and low priced yarns from Thailand have resulted in loss of domestic output, market share, investment, employment, and man-hours worked.

U.S. imports of spun yarn containing 85 percent or more by weight artificial staple fiber, Category 603, from Thailand reached 1,249,659 kilograms during the year ending January 1995, three times the 408,257 kilograms imported during the year ending January 1994 and two times Thailand's calendar year 1992 import level.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission Investigative Hearings

AGENCY: Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission (a Presidentially appointed commission *separate from and independent of DoD*.)

ACTION: Notice of additional bases for closure/realignment consideration.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Pub. L. 101-510, as amended, the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission announces 36 domestic U.S. defense activities that require further analysis as potential candidates for closure or realignment.

The Commission added Minot Air Force Base ND on March 7, 1995, as a potential candidate for realignment. Included on the following list are 31 activities in addition to those recommended for closure or realignment by the Secretary of Defense on February 28, 1995. Also included on the list are 4 installations recommended for realignment on the February 28, 1995, list that the Commission will consider for increasing the extent of the Secretary's recommended realignment or for closure.

On May 10, 1995, the Commission approved the following 35 activities for further analysis and consideration and as proposed changes to the Secretary's February 28, 1995, list:

Alabama

Space and Strategic Defense Command (Huntsville leased space)

California

Oakland Army Base
Engineering Field Activity West,
Naval Facilities Engineering
Command

Fleet and Industrial Supply Center
Oakland

Naval Air Station Point Mugu
Naval Warfare Assessment Division
Corona

Supervisor of Shipbuilding,
Conversion, and Repair San
Francisco

McClellan Air Force Base
Defense Distribution Depot McClellan

Florida

Homestead Air Reserve Station

Georgia

Naval Air Station Atlanta
Robins Air Force Base
Defense Distribution Depot Warner-
Robins

Guam

Public Works Center

Illinois

Chicago O'Hare International Airport
Air Reserve Station

Maine

Portsmouth Naval Shipyard

Maryland

Fort Holabird

Minnesota

Minneapolis-Saint Paul International
Airport Air Reserve Station

Mississippi

Columbus Air Force Base

New York

Niagra Falls International Airport Air
Reserve Station