

organizations expected to participate include:

Commercial Fishermen's Organizations

Blue Water Fishermen's Association
National Fisheries Institute
Southern Offshore Fishermen's Association
Directed Shark Fishery Association
North Carolina Commercial Fisheries Association
New Jersey Seafood Harvesters' Association
Northeast Atlantic Swordfish Net Association

Recreational Groups

National Fishing Association
A representative from the charter/headboat industry

Marine Conservation Group

Ocean Wildlife Campaign

Fishery Management Councils

New England Fishery Management Council
Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council
South Atlantic Fishery Management Council
Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council
Caribbean Fishery Management Council

Marine Fisheries Commissions

Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission
Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission

NMFS staff and members of the academic community will also be invited to participate as needed.

The criteria used by NMFS to specify the commercial and recreational organizations included the size of the membership of fishermen or dealers/processors who target swordfish or sharks, and geographic representation. NMFS has already provided preliminary, informal notifications and requests for comments about the suggested composition of the workshops in two open letters distributed via the HMS Fax network on October 10, 1995 and November 3, 1995. There was very little response to the first open letter, but subsequently NMFS has received several additional requests to attend and participate in the first workshop. Therefore, NMFS is extending the invitation to attend the first workshop to other organizations or associations that are directly involved in the Atlantic swordfish or Atlantic shark fisheries. NMFS requests that each such organization or association limit the number of representatives to one

individual and that everyone who plans to attend the workshop should notify (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**) no later than November 30, 1995. Format and representation in future workshops will be one of the agenda items for the first workshop.

In future workshops, if any organizations or individuals feel their views are not represented, and that other opportunities for providing comment and input are inadequate, they may attend all or a part of a workshop, provided they give NMFS at least 2 weeks notice so that an appropriate meeting room can be organized. Such organizations or individuals may attend the meeting as observers and/or may request a specific time slot to present their views.

Objectives and Format

The objectives of the first workshop are:

(i) *Information exchange*: What general types of limited access have previously been proposed or implemented; what are their biological, economic, social, legal and enforcement implications; what practical lessons can be learned from systems already implemented in the United States?

(ii) *Scoping of options*: Is limited access an essential part of any long-term management strategy for Atlantic swordfish and Atlantic shark fisheries; if so, what is the range of options that are relevant or viable for these fisheries?

Two other important issues that are considered beyond the scope of the workshops and will not be discussed in these workshops are the annual quotas for Atlantic swordfish and shark fisheries and allocations of annual quotas between user groups and geographic regions.

The first two workshops will include several presentations by invited speakers knowledgeable about various forms of limited access. Other speakers will be invited as the need arises. NMFS staff will also collate important background papers and summaries concerning limited access. Background documents may be provided in advance of the workshops. The workshops will use a moderated, open-discussion framework to present and discuss issues and options. At the end of each workshop, participants will discuss a preliminary agenda for the next workshop. There will be no consensus recommendation from the workshops.

NMFS staff will summarize workshop discussions as quickly as possible and disseminate them via the HMS Fax Network, and upon written or verbal request from members of the public. NMFS staff will finalize the agenda for

each upcoming workshop at least one week prior to the workshop, and disseminate it by the same means. The objectives of the workshops will not be subject to substantive change, but the format and procedures adopted to ensure orderly progress in the workshops may be modified over time.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to John Kelly at (301) 713-2347 at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: November 22, 1995.

Richard H. Schaefer,
Director, Office of Fisheries Conservation and Management, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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Workshops on Limited Access for Atlantic Tunas Fisheries

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: NMFS announces the first in a series of open workshops to discuss the possibility of future fisheries management alternatives that limit access to the various fisheries for Atlantic tunas, including bluefin tuna, yellowfin tuna, bigeye tuna, albacore tuna, skipjack tuna and Atlantic bonito. **DATES:** December 13, 1995, 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The workshop will be held at the auditorium of the John B. Hynes Veterans Memorial Convention Center, 900 Boylston Street, Boston, MA 02115.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kevin Foster, telephone: (508) 281-9260, Fax (508) 281-9340; or Sarah McLaughlin, telephone: (301) 713-2347, Fax (301) 713-0596.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NMFS announces the first in a series of open workshops to discuss the possibility of future fisheries management alternatives that limit access to the various fisheries for Atlantic tunas, including bluefin tuna, yellowfin tuna, bigeye tuna, albacore tuna, skipjack tuna and Atlantic bonito. All interested parties are encouraged to attend these workshops to assist NMFS in the development of proposals for limited access management of the Atlantic tunas fisheries. The first workshop will

include presentations from NMFS staff outlining potential options. There will be ample opportunity for input and/or questions from the public. The workshop will end with a discussion about future courses of action and mechanisms to ensure continuing and extensive public input, including times and places for future workshops.

These workshops are not part of any specific rulemaking process; however, where relevant, input from the workshops will be taken into consideration when developing future proposed rules for these fisheries.

The meeting is open to the public. This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Kevin Foster at (508) 281-9140 at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: November 22, 1995.

Richard H. Schaefer,

Director, Office of Fisheries Conservation and Management, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Adjustment of an Import Restraint Limit for Certain Wool Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Poland

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

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 30, 1995.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Naomi Freeman, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-4212. For information on the quota status of this limit, 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 limit for Category 435 is being increased for special carryforward, pursuant to a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

dated November 21, 1995 between the Governments of the United States and Poland, the Uruguay Round Agreements Act and the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing. As a result, the limit, which is currently filled, will re-open.

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 59 FR 62718, published on December 6, 1994.

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 November 21, 1995 MOU, 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.

D. Michael Hutchinson,
Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

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 November 29, 1994, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. That directive concerns imports of certain cotton, wool and man-made fiber textile products, produced or manufactured in Poland and exported during the twelve-month period beginning on January 1, 1995 and extending through December 31, 1995.

Effective on November 30, 1995, you are directed, pursuant to a Memorandum of Understanding dated November 21, 1995 between the Governments of the United States and Poland, to increase the limit for Category 435 to 15,506 dozen¹, as provided for under the Uruguay Round Agreements Act and the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (ATC).

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that this action falls within the foreign affairs exception of the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,

D. Michael Hutchinson,
Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.
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¹ The limit has not been adjusted to account for any imports exported after December 31, 1994.

COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Chicago Mercantile Exchange: Proposed Amendments to the Frozen Pork Bellies Futures Contract

AGENCY: Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

ACTION: Notice of availability of proposed amendments to the terms and conditions of a futures contract.

SUMMARY: The Chicago Mercantile Exchange (CME or Exchange) has proposed amendments to its frozen pork bellies futures contract. The proposed amendments would change the definition of the par delivery unit and revise the discounts applicable to non-par frozen pork bellies.

In accordance with Section 5a(a)(12) of the Commodity Exchange Act and acting pursuant to the authority delegated by Commission Regulation 140.96, the Acting Director of the Division of Economic Analysis ("Division") of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("Commission") has determined, on behalf of the Commission, that the proposed amendments are of major economic significance. On behalf of the Commission, the Division is requesting public comment on the proposal.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before December 29, 1995.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons should submit their views and comments to Jean A. Webb, Secretary, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, 2033 K Street NW., Washington, DC 20581. Reference should be made to the proposed amendments to the CME frozen pork bellies futures contract regarding weight differentials.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Please contact Fred Linse of the Division of Economic Analysis, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street NW., Washington, DC 20581, telephone 202-418-5273.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The frozen pork bellies futures contract currently provides for the delivery at par of 40,000 pounds of either 1²/₁₄ or 1⁴/₁₆-pound frozen pork bellies. Delivery of 1⁶/₁₈ pound frozen pork bellies is permitted at a discount of 2.5 cents per pound.

Under the proposed amendments, 1²/₁₄-pound frozen pork bellies would be deliverable at a discount of 1.5 cents per pound, rather than at par as currently specified. In addition, the proposed amendments would reduce to 1.5 from 2.5 cents per pound the existing