

which has been dissolved in a polymerizing material or a thermoplastic polymer to determine non-destructively the extent of cure or solidification, respectively. Fluorophores can also be immobilized on the surface of the optic fiber probe window in lieu of being added to the polymerizing material. The invention also identifies a new class of suitable fluorophores.

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Samuel Kramer,

Associate Director.

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National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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International Whaling Commission; Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice of meetings; request for comments.

SUMMARY: NOAA makes use of a public Interagency Committee to assist in preparing for meetings of the International Whaling Commission (IWC). This notice sets forth guidelines for participating on the Committee and a tentative schedule of meetings and other important dates.

DATES: Comments should be submitted on or before February 15, 1996. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for dates of scheduled meetings.

ADDRESSES: Recommendations to the U.S. Commissioner to the IWC and nominations to the U.S. Delegation to the IWC should be sent to: Dr. D. James Baker, Under Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere, Department of Commerce, Herbert C. Hoover Building, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, D.C. 20230, with a copy sent to Kevin Chu, Office of International Affairs, Room 14247, National Marine Fisheries Service, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for meeting locations.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kevin Chu or Kim Blankenkoper, Office of International Affairs, (301) 713-2276.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Secretary of Commerce is charged with the responsibility of discharging the obligations of the United States under the International Convention for the

Regulation of Whaling, 1946. This authority has been delegated to the Under Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere, who, as the U.S. Commissioner to the IWC, has primary responsibility for the preparation and negotiation of U.S. positions on international issues concerning whaling and for all matters involving the IWC. He is staffed by the Department of Commerce, and assisted by the Department of State, the Department of the Interior, the Marine Mammal Commission, and other interested agencies.

Each year, NOAA conducts a series of meetings and other actions to prepare for the annual meeting of the IWC, which is usually held in the spring or summer. The major purpose of the preparatory meetings is to provide for input in the development of policy by members of the public and non-governmental organizations interested in whale conservation. NOAA believes that this participation is important for the effective development and implementation of U.S. policy concerning whaling. Any person with an identifiable interest in U.S. whale conservation policy may participate in the meetings, but NOAA reserves the authority to inquire about the interest of any person who appears at a meeting and to determine the appropriateness of that person's participation. Foreign nationals and persons who represent foreign governments may not attend. These stringent measures are necessary to promote the candid exchange of information. Such measures are a necessary basis for the relatively open process of preparing for IWC meetings that characterizes current practice.

The tentative schedule of meetings, including those of the IWC, and deadlines for the preparation of position papers for the 1996 Annual Meeting of the IWC is as follows:

December 13, 1995, 1 p.m.—Room 6009, Herbert C. Hoover Building, Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, Washington, D.C.—Meeting of the Interagency Committee to review past events and to begin preparation for the 1996 Annual Meeting of the IWC. As with all such meetings, interested persons who are unable to attend are welcome to submit comments. Recommendations to the U.S. Commissioner should be sent to the Under Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere (see **ADDRESSES**).

February 15, 1995—Nominations for the U.S. Delegation to the Annual Meeting of the IWC are due to the U.S. Commissioner, with a copy to Kevin Chu (see **ADDRESSES**). All persons wishing to be considered pursuant to

the U.S. Commissioner's recommendation to the Department of State concerning the composition of the delegation should ensure that nominations are received by this date. Prospective Congressional advisors to the delegation should contact the Department of State directly.

March 21, 1996, 2 p.m.—Room 6009, Herbert C. Hoover Building, Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, Washington, D.C.—Tentative Interagency Committee meeting date to review draft agenda of the IWC Annual Meeting and consider U.S. positions under those agenda items.

May 16, 1996, 2 p.m.—Room 6009, Herbert C. Hoover Building, Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, Washington, D.C.—Tentative Interagency Committee meeting date for finalizing preparations for 1996 IWC meetings.

June 24–June 28, 1996—Aberdeen, United Kingdom—48th Annual Meeting of the International Whaling Commission.

Dated: November 30, 1995.

Gary Matlock,

Program Management Officer, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Announcement of Import Restraint Limits for Certain Cotton and Man-Made Fiber Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Pakistan

November 29, 1995.

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

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 1996.

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) 927-6714. For information on embargoes and quota re-openings, call (202) 927-3715.

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 import restraint limits for textile products, produced or manufactured in Pakistan and exported during the period January 1, 1996 through December 31, 1996 are based on limits notified to the Textiles Monitoring Body pursuant to the Uruguay Round Agreements Act and the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (ATC).

In the letter published below, the Chairman of CITA directs the Commissioner of Customs to establish the 1996 limits. The 1996 limits for Categories 338, 340/640, 360, 361, 363, 369-F/369-P, 369-R, 369-S and 638/639 have been reduced for carryforward applied to the 1995 limits.

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). Information regarding the 1996 CORRELATION will be published in the Federal Register at a later date.

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 ATC, 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
November 29, 1995.
Commissioner of Customs,
Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20229.

Dear Commissioner: Under the terms of section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854), the Uruguay Round Agreements Act, and the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (ATC); and in accordance with the provisions of Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended, you are directed to prohibit, effective on January 1, 1996, entry into the United States for consumption and withdrawal from warehouse for consumption of cotton and man-made fiber textile products in the following categories, produced or manufactured in Pakistan and exported during the twelve-month period beginning on January 1, 1996 and extending through December 31, 1996, in excess of the following levels of restraint:

Category	Twelve-month restraint limit
Specific Limits	
219	6,879,526 square meters.
226/313	102,421,264 square meters.
237	334,595 dozen.
239	1,575,274 kilograms.
314	5,003,292 square meters.
315	68,538,238 square meters.
317/617	26,886,849 square meters.
331/631	2,049,146 dozen pairs.
334/634	197,630 dozen.
335/635	305,201 dozen.
336/636	401,514 dozen.
338	4,073,147 dozen.
339	1,137,351 dozen.
340/640	505,643 dozen of which not more than 200,757 dozen shall be in dress shirts in Categories 340-D/640-D ¹ .
341/641	602,272 dozen.
342/642	298,093 dozen.
347/348	665,537 dozen.
351/651	267,676 dozen.
352/652	669,190 dozen.
359-C/659-C ²	1,204,542 kilograms.
360	2,206,738 numbers.
361	2,869,590 numbers.
363	37,886,241 numbers.
369-F/369-P ³	1,896,163 kilograms.
369-R ⁴	8,848,760 kilograms.
369-S ⁵	578,911 kilograms.
613/614	20,280,350 square meters.
615	21,574,836 square meters.
625/626/627/628/629.	66,354,561 square meters of which not more than 33,177,281 square meters shall be in Category 625, not more than 33,177,281 square meters shall be in Category 626, not more than 33,177,281 square meters shall be in Category 627, not more than 6,864,265 square meters shall be in Category 628, and not more than 33,177,281 square meters shall be in Category 629.
638/639	364,003 dozen.
647/648	731,148 dozen.

¹Category 340-D: only HTS numbers 6205.20.2015, 6205.20.2020, 6205.20.2025 and 6205.20.2030; Category 640-D: only HTS numbers 6205.30.2010, 6205.30.2020, 6205.30.2030, 6205.30.2040, 6205.90.3030 and 6205.90.4030.

²Category 359-C: only HTS numbers 6103.42.2025, 6103.49.8034, 6104.62.1020, 6104.69.8010, 6114.20.0048, 6114.20.0052, 6203.42.2010, 6203.42.2090, 6204.62.2010, 6211.32.0010, 6211.32.0025 and 6211.42.0010; Category 659-C: only HTS numbers 6103.23.0055, 6103.43.2020, 6103.43.2025, 6103.49.2000, 6103.49.8038, 6104.63.1020, 6104.63.1030, 6104.69.1000, 6104.69.8014, 6114.30.3044, 6114.30.3054, 6203.43.2010, 6203.43.2090, 6203.49.1010, 6203.49.1090, 6204.63.1510, 6204.69.1010, 6210.10.9010, 6211.33.0010, 6211.33.0017 and 6211.43.0010.

³Category 369-F: only HTS number 6302.91.0045; Category 369-P: only HTS numbers 6302.60.0010 and 6302.91.0005.

⁴Category 369-R: only HTS number 6307.10.2020.

⁵Category 369-S: only HTS number 6307.10.2005.

Imports charged to these category limits for the periods January 1, 1995 through December 31, 1995 shall be charged against those levels of restraint to the extent of any unfilled balances. In the event the limits established for that period have been exhausted by previous entries, such goods shall be subject to the levels set forth in this directive.

The limits set forth above are subject to adjustment in the future pursuant to the provisions of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act, the ATC and any administrative arrangements notified to the Textiles Monitoring Body.

In carrying out the above directions, the Commissioner of Customs should construe entry into the United States for consumption to include entry for consumption into the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that these actions fall 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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Announcement of Import Restraint Limits for Certain Cotton, Wool and Man-Made Fiber Textiles and Textile Products and Silk Blend and Other Vegetable Fiber Apparel Produced or Manufactured in Malaysia

November 29, 1995.

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

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 1996.

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