

management of argali in Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia, or Tajikistan has changed since the original classification of these populations in June 23, 1992 (57 FR 28014), the Service continues to consider these populations as threatened. Except for the recent report by Fedosenko on argali in the Pamirs region in Tajikistan, the Service has received little additional information on the status and management of argali in these countries since the 1993 report funded by the Service. Thus, the Service is requesting additional and updated information from the Governments of Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, and Mongolia and from individuals and organizations knowledgeable about the status and management of the argali in these three range countries.

Information Solicited

The Service can only issue a threatened species permit for the import of argali trophies when it finds that the activity will enhance the propagation or survival of the species. So the Service solicits information on the status of argali populations in Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia, and Tajikistan, including: (1) Whether the population in each country is sufficiently large, viable, and adequately protected to sustain sport hunting, (2) whether the regulating authorities in these range countries recognize these argali populations as a valuable resource and have the legal and practical means to manage these argali populations, including examples of any recent management initiatives, and (3) whether the regulating authorities can ensure that the exported trophy has in fact been legally taken from the specified population. In addition, the Service seeks information on how any funds derived from the involved sport hunt or any contributions made directly by the applicant and/or the outfitter have been applied to argali conservation, including specific examples.

Information received will be considered in developing the Service's findings for future permit applications for the import of sport-hunted argali trophies. In the meantime, the Service continues to process applications and make its decisions on existing information.

Dated: May 30, 1996.

John G. Rogers,
Acting Director.

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Bureau of Land Management

Lower Snake River District Resource Advisory Council; Meeting

AGENCY: Bureau of Land Management—Interior.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Lower Snake River District Resource Advisory Council will meet at the district office to discuss options for applying terms and conditions for improving riparian areas to livestock grazing permits and leases. **DATES:** Tuesday, June 18, 1996. The meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. and a public comment period will begin at 9:00 a.m.

ADDRESSES: The Lower Snake River District Office is located at 3948 Development Avenue, Boise, Idaho.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Barry Rose, Lower Snake River District Office (208-384-3393).

Dated: June 4, 1996.

Barry Rose,
Public Affairs Specialist.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[USITC SE-96-11]

Sunshine Act Meeting

AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING: United States International Trade Commission.

TIME AND DATE: June 18, 1996 at 9:30 a.m.

PLACE: Room 101, 500 E Street S.W., Washington, DC 20436.

STATUS: Open to the public.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:

1. Agenda for future meeting
2. Minutes
3. Ratification List
4. Inv. No. 731-TA-739 (Final) (Clad Steel Plate from Japan)—briefing and vote.
5. Inv. No. 731-TA-732-733 (Final) (Circular Welded Non-Alloy Steel Pipe from Romania and South Africa)—briefing and vote.
6. Outstanding action jackets: None.

In accordance with Commission policy, subject matter listed above, not disposed of at the scheduled meeting, may be carried over to the agenda of the following meeting.

By order of the Commission:

Issued: June 6, 1996

Donna R. Koehnke,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Office of the Deputy Attorney General

Office of Tribal Justice; Policy on Indian Sovereignty

AGENCY: Office of Tribal Justice, Department of Justice.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice publishes the "Department of Justice Policy on Indian Sovereignty and Government-to-Government Relations." The Policy reaffirms both the Department's recognition of the sovereign status of federally recognized Indian tribes and the Department's adherence to government-to-government relations with federally recognized Indian tribes. The Policy also contains a directive to all components of the Department of Justice to inform attorneys of the responsibilities enumerated in the policy and to make all reasonable efforts to ensure that component activities conform to its terms. The Policy also directs Department of Justice component heads to appoint a contact person to work with the Office of Tribal Justice to address Indian issues within each component.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Herbert A. Becker, Director, Office of Tribal Justice, Room 1509, Main Building, Department of Justice. Telephone: (202) 514-8812. FAX: (202) 514-9078.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Attached is a copy of the "Department of Justice Policy on Indian Sovereignty and Government-to-Government Relations with Indian Tribes," which the Attorney General signed on June 1, 1995.

Dated: June 3, 1996.

Herbert A. Becker,
Director, Office of Tribal Justice.
Office of the Attorney General
Washington, DC 20530

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE POLICY ON INDIAN SOVEREIGNTY AND GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT RELATIONS WITH INDIAN TRIBES

Purpose

To reaffirm the Department's recognition of the sovereign status of federally recognized Indian tribes as domestic dependent nations and to reaffirm adherence to the principles of government-to-government relations; to inform Department personnel, other federal agencies, federally recognized Indian tribes, and the public of the Department's working relationships with federally recognized Indian tribes; and to guide the Department in its work in the field of Indian affairs.

I. Introduction

From its earliest days, the United States has recognized the sovereign status of Indian