

ACTION: Receipt of applications.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Cynthia K. Riseling, 12659 16th Street, Chino, CA 91710 (P607), and Dr. David R. Young, Oregon State University College of Oceanography, Hatfield Marine Science Center, Newport, OR 97365-5260 (P614), have applied in due form for a permit to take marine mammals for purposes of scientific research.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before August 8, 1996.

ADDRESSES: The applications and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following office(s): (P607 and 614): Permits Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13130, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713-2289);

(P607 and 614): Director, Southwest Region, NMFS, 501 West Ocean Blvd., Long Beach, CA 90802-4213 (310/980-4001); and

(P614): Director, Northwest Region, NMFS, 7600 Sand Point Way, NE, BIN C15700, Bldg., 1, Seattle, WA 98115-0070.

Written data or views, or requests for a public hearing on these requests, should be submitted to the Director, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13130, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Those individuals requesting a hearing should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this particular request would be appropriate.

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.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject permits are requested under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) and the Regulations Governing the Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216).

Cynthia Riseling (P607) requests authority to sample up to 35 juvenile California sea lions (*Zalophus californianus*) annually for three years. Animals sampled will be from stranded rehabilitated stocks at marine mammal stranding centers in California. Three cultures will be taken from the skin, throat, and vaginal/urethral area to study the normal bacteria flora of this animal. If fecal samples are available, they will be collected. The question the applicant seeks to answer is are normal bacterial flora of these animals causing disease in humans?

David R. Young (P614) requests authority to import from Russia blubber, liver, muscle and composited seal blubber oil taken from Baikal seals (*Phoca sibirica*). Samples will be taken from eight carcasses which were either beached, stranded, or hunted under Russia's legal culling system from areas of Lake Baikal. The researchers seek to establish the level of toxic contaminants [PCBs; DDTs; PAHs; Organic Mercury; Trace Metals] in indicator tissues of the Baikal seal, and also components of the animal's food web.

Date: July 1, 1996.
Ann Hochman,
Acting Chief, Permits and Documentation Division, Office of Protected Resources, 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 and Man-Made Fiber Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Turkey

July 2, 1996.
AGENCY: Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 3, 1996.

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 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); Uruguay Round Agreements Act.

The current limit for Category 611 is being increased for swing and carryover, reducing the Fabric Group limit to account for the swing being applied.

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 60 FR 65299, published on December 19, 1995). Also see 60 FR 57576, published on November 16, 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.

Troy H. Cribb,
Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements
July 2, 1996.

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 9, 1995, 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 Turkey and exported during the twelve-month period which began on January 1, 1996 and extends through December 31, 1996.

Effective on July 3, 1996, you are directed to adjust the limits for the following categories, as provided for in the Uruguay Round Agreements Act and the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing:

Category	Adjusted twelve-month limit ¹
Fabric Group 219, 313, 314, 315, 317, 326, 617, 625/626/627/628/629, as a group.	148,042,490 square meters.
Limit not in a group 611	53,998,884 square meters.

¹ The limits have not been adjusted to account for any imports exported after December 31, 1995.

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,
Troy H. Cribb,
Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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