

• Establish a framework procedure for establishing BRD certification and decertification criteria and a BRD testing protocol.

The Shrimp Committee will also hear scientific reports of a statistical review committee and from stock assessment analyses related to the accuracy of bycatch estimates of red snapper.

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Anne Alford at the Council (see ADDRESSES) by November 4, 1996.

Dated: October 16, 1996.

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Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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Western Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: The Western Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold its 91st meeting.

DATES: The meeting will be held on November 18-21, 1996. See

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION for specific dates and times.

ADDRESS: The meeting will be held at the Ala Moana Hotel, Garden Lanai Room, Honolulu, HI; telephone: (808) 855-4811.

Council address: Western Pacific Fishery Management Council, 1164 Bishop St., Suite 1405, Honolulu, HI 96813.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kitty M. Simonds, Executive Director; telephone: (808) 522-8220.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Council's Standing Committees will meet from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on November 18, and from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on November 19. The full Council will meet from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on November 20-21. A joint meeting of the Marine and Fisheries Advisory Committee (MAFAC) and Council will be held on November 20, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., and from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

The Council will discuss and may take action on the following agenda items:

1. Reports from the islands;
2. Reports from fishery agencies and organizations;
3. Ecosystems and Habitat, including: Summary of recent issues and activities: coral reef activities, whale sanctuary, Memorandum of Understanding, Midway public use, etc.;
4. Pelagic fishery issues, including:
 - (a) Gear conflict between handliners and longliners.
 - (b) Status of Pelagic Fisheries Research Program and other pelagic research,
 - (c) Bycatch issues,
 - (d) Single Council designation response,
 - (e) Status of Albatross Workshop,
 - (f) Pelagics data amendment, and
 - (g) Control date for U.S. pelagic fishermen in the Pacific;
5. Crustaceans fishery issues, including:
 - (a) Report on 1996 Northwestern Hawaiian Islands (NWHI) lobster fishery,
 - (b) Report on research cruise and handling experiment,
 - (c) Lobster trap design study,
 - (d) Preliminary harvest guidelines,
 - (e) Mandatory Vessel Monitoring System (VMS), and
 - (f) Size distribution and high grading estimation;
6. Bottomfish issues, including:
 - (a) Status of Department of Land and Natural Resources management plan for Main Hawaiian Island onaga and ehu,
 - (b) Council's proposed draft amendment for Main Hawaiian Island onaga and ehu stocks,
 - (c) Reevaluation of the NWHI bottomfish fishery, and
 - (d) Report from the Task Force;
7. Enforcement issues, including:
 - (a) NMFS activities,
 - (b) Status of violations, and
 - (c) VMS Committee report;
8. Native rights and indigenous fishery issues, including:
 - (a) Implication of reauthorized Magnuson Fisheries Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson Act) provisions;
 9. Program planning, including:
 - (a) New provisions of reauthorized Magnuson Act,
 - (b) Status of Western Pacific Fisheries Information Network, and
 - (c) Consider changes in the way the Council conducts meetings;
 10. Administrative matters, including:
 - (a) 1997-98 Advisory Panel appointments; and
 11. Other business as required.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for

sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Kitty M. Simonds, 808-522-8220 (voice) or 808-522-8226 (fax), at least 5 days prior to meeting date.

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Announcement of an Import Restraint Limit for Certain Cotton and Man-Made Fiber Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Fiji

October 16, 1996.

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

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 1997.

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 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); Uruguay Round Agreements Act.

The import restraint limit for textile products, produced or manufactured in Fiji and exported during the period January 1, 1997 through December 31, 1997 is based on the limit 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 limit for the 1997 period.

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,