Environmental Technologies Matchmaker Trade Delegation, Italy and Germany March 9–16, 1999

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Yvonne Jackson at the Department of Commerce. Telephone number: 202–482–2675 or FAX number: 202–482–0178.

The Oil, Gas and Petrochemicals Trade Mission to Dhahran, Saudi Arabia; Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates; and Kuwait City, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, UAE and Kuwait April 10–14, 1999

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Joseph Ayoub at the Department of Commerce. Telephone number: 202–482–0313 or FAX number: 202–482–0170.

REPCAN '99 Toronto, Canada June 15–16, 1999

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Madellon C. Lopes at the Department of Commerce. Telephone number: 416–595–5412 or FAX number: 416–595–5419.

The Safety and Security Industries Matchmaker Turkey, Saudi Arabia and Egypt

April 15–21, 1999

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Gordon Keller at the Department of Commerce. Telephone number: 202– 482–1793 or FAX number: 202–482– 0178.

The TASBI Telecommunications/IT Matchmaker

Belgium, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom May 17–25, 1999

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Gordon Keller at the Department of Commerce. Telephone number: 202– 482–1793 or FAX number: 202–482– 0178.

Dated: January 8, 1999.

Tom Nisbet,

Director, Office of Trade Promotion Coordination.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 123098A]

Marine Mammals; File Nos. 782–1447 and P771#73

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce. **ACTION:** Receipt of applications for amendment.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the National Marine Fisheries Service, National Marine Mammal Laboratory, 7600 Sand Point Way NE., BIN C15700, Seattle, WA 98115–0070, has requested an amendment to scientific research Permits No. 782–1447 and 967 (File No. 771#73).

DATES: Written or telefaxed comments must be received on or before February 16, 1999.

ADDRESSES: The amendment request and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following office(s):

Permits and Documentation Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713– 2289); and

Regional Administrator, Alaska Region, NMFS, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802–1668 (907/586–7221).

Written comments or requests for a public hearing on these requests should be submitted to the Chief, Permits and Documentation Division, F/PR1, 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 these particular amendment requests would be appropriate.

Comments may also be submitted by facsimile at (301) 713–0376, provided the facsimile is confirmed by hard copy submitted by mail and postmarked no later than the closing date of the comment period. Please note that comments will not be accepted by email or other electronic media.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ruth Johnson or Sara Shapiro 301/713–2289.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject amendment to Permits No. 782–1447 and 967, issued on May 20, 1998 (63 FR 30201) and July 11, 1995 (60 FR 37053), respectively, is requested under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 et seq.), the Regulations Governing the Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216), the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.), the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered fish and wildlife (50 CFR 222.23).

Permit No. 782–1447 authorizes the permit holder to conduct surveys, capture/handle, tag and sample Steller sea lions (*Eumetopias jubatus*) in Alaska. The permit holder requests

authorization to inadvertently harass up to 40,000 sea lions during February and March, extend capture season to March 1999 and increase the volume of blood drawn to 25cc for pups greater than 8 months, and authority of administer a light dose of Valium to restrain animals.

Permit No. 967 (File No. 771#73) authorizes the holder to satellite tag harbor porpoise (*Phocoena phocoena*) and rehabilitated Dall's porpoise (*Phocoenoides dalli*) or Pacific whitesided dolphin (*Lagenorhynchus obliquidens*) in coastal waters of Washington and Oregon. The Holder wants to extend the location of take to include Alaska coastal waters.

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), an initial determination has been made that the activity proposed is categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement.

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.

Dated: January 7, 1999.

Ann D. Terbush,

Chief, Permits and Documentation Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Technical Information Service

NTIS Advisory Board Meeting

AGENCY: National Technical Information Service, Technology Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of partially closed meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. app. 2, notice is hereby given that the National Technical Information Service Advisory Board (the "Board") will meet on Wednesday, February 3, 1999, from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. The session from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., will be closed to the public.

The Board was established under the authority of 15 U.S.C. 3704b(c), and was Chartered on September 15, 1989. The Board is composed of five members appointed by the Secretary of Commerce who are eminent in such fields as information resources management, information technology, and library and

information services. The purpose of the meeting is to review and make recommendations regarding general policies and operations of NTIS, including policies in connection with fees and charges for its services. The agenda will include a progress report on NTIS activities, an update on the progress of FedWorld, and a discussion of NTIS' long range plans. The closed session discussion is scheduled to begin at 9 a.m. and end at 11:30 a.m. on February 3, 1999. The session will be closed because premature disclosure of the information to be discussed would be likely to significantly frustrate implementation of NTIS' business plans.

DATES: The meeting will convene on February 3, 1999, at 9 a.m. and adjourn at 4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in Room 2029 Sills Building, National Technical Information Service, 5285 Port Royal Road, Springfield, Virginia 22161.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: The meeting will be open to public participation from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. on February 3, 1999. Approximately thirty minutes will be set aside on February 3, 1999, for comments or questions from the public. Seats will be available for the public and for the media on a first-come, first-served basis. Any member of the public may submit written comments concerning the Board's affairs at any time. Copies of the minutes of the open session meeting will be available within thirty days of the meeting from the address given below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Linda Lucas, NTIS Advisory Board Secretary, National Technical Information Service, 5285 Port Royal Road, Springfield, Virginia 22161, Telephone: (703) 605–6400; Fax (703) 605–6700.

Dated: January 8, 1999.

Ron Lawson,

Director

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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 Pakistan

January 11, 1999.

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

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs reducing limits

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 14, 1999.

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, call (202) 927–5850, or refer to the U.S. Customs website at http://

www.customs.ustreas.gov. For information on embargoes and quota reopenings, call (202) 482–3715.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: Section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854); Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended.

The 1999 limits for certain categories are being reduced for carryforward applied to the 1998 limits.

À 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 62 FR 66057, published on December 17, 1997). Information regarding the 1999 CORRELATION will be published in the Federal Register at a later date. Also see 63 FR 59946, published on November 6, 1998.

Troy H. Cribb,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

January 11, 1999.

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 3, 1998, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. That directive concerns imports of certain cotton and manmade fiber textile products, produced or manufactured in Pakistan and exported during the twelve-month period which begins on January 1, 1999 and extends through December 31, 1999.

Effective on January 14, 1999, you are directed to reduce the limits for the following categories, as provided for under the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing:

Category	Adjusted twelve-month limit
226/313	122,295,792 square meters.
334/634	245,134 dozen.

Category	Adjusted twelve-month limit
336/636	498,024 dozen.
338	4,960,932 dozen.
339	1,410,732 dozen.
340/640	664,034 dozen of
0 10/0 10	which not more than
	263,357 dozen shall
	be in Categories
	340-D/640-D 1.
347/348	825,510 dozen.
351/651	332,016 dozen.
359-C/659-C ²	1,494,074 kilograms.
369-F/369-P3	2,490,122 kilograms.
369-S ⁴	760,252 kilograms.
613/614	24,215,689 square
	meters.
615	25,761,366 square
	meters.
625/626/627/628/629	79,230,456 square
	meters of which not
	more than
	39,615,230 square
	meters shall be in
	Category 625; not
	more than
	39,615,230 square meters shall be in
	Category 626; not
	more than
	41,929,654 square
	meters shall be in
	Category 627; not
	more than 8,675,101
	square meters shall
	be in Category 628;
	and not more than
	41,929,654 square
	meters shall be in
000/000	Category 629.
638/639	460,465 dozen.
666–P ⁵	764,048 kilograms.
666–S ⁶	4,088,922 kilograms.

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.

359-C: ² Category only HTS numbers 6103.42.2025, 6104.69.8010, 6103.49.8034, 6104.62.1020, 6114.20.0048, 6114.20.0052 6204.62.2010 6203.42.2010, 6203.42.2090, 6211.32.0010, 6211.32.0025 0; Category 659–C: only HTS 6103.23.0055, 6103.43.2020. 6211.42.0010; numbers 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 6203.43.2090, 6203.49.1010 6203.43.2010. 6203.49.1090, 6204.63.1510. 6204.69.1010 6210.10.9010, 6211.33.0010, 6211.33.0017 and 6211.43.0010.

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

⁴ Category 369-S: only HTS number 6307.10.2005.

⁵Category 666–P: only HTS numbers 6302.22.1010, 6302.22.1020, 6302.22.2010, 6302.32.1010, 6302.32.1020, 6302.32.2010 and 6302.32.2020.

⁶Category 666–S: only HTS numbers 6302.22.1030, 6302.22.1040, 6302.22.2020, 6302.32.1030, 6302.32.1040, 6302.32.2030 and 6302.32.2040.