

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 PAP meeting will discuss and may make recommendations to the Council on the following agenda items:

1. Review of recommendations arising from 1999 PAP;
2. Hawaii and American Samoa longline fishery reports;
3. Hawaii longline fishery issues;
4. Report of the Recreational Fisheries Data Task Force;
5. Recreational fishery issues;
6. Area closure for large pelagic fishing vessels around the islands of American Samoa;
7. Shark management in Hawaii;
8. Management of longline-protected species interactions;
9. Progress of the Multi-lateral High Level Conference process to implement a management convention for tunas in the Central-West Pacific;
10. Blue marlin research;
11. Council process; and
12. Other business as required.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this group for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

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.

Dated: March 13, 2000.

Bruce C. Morehead,
Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.
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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Establishment of an Import Limit for Certain Cotton Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Pakistan

March 14, 2000.

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

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: March 17, 2000.

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, 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. For information on categories on which consultations have been requested, call (202) 482-3740.

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.

A notice published in the Federal Register on December 31, 1998 (63 FR 72288) announced that the Government of the United States had requested consultations with the Government of Pakistan on December 24, 1998 with respect to combed cotton yarn in Category 301, produced or manufactured in Pakistan and that, if no solution was agreed upon in consultations with the Government of Pakistan, the Government of the United States reserved its right to establish a twelve-month limit of not less than 5,262,665 kilograms for the entry for consumption and withdrawal from warehouse for consumption of combed cotton yarn in Category 301, produced or manufactured in Pakistan. A restraint limit was established at that level for the March 17, 1999 through March 16, 2000 period.

The Government of the United States has decided to establish a limit of not less than 5,578,425 kilograms for the entry for consumption and withdrawal from warehouse for consumption of combed cotton yarn in Category 301, produced or manufactured in Pakistan for a second twelve-month period,

beginning on March 17, 2000 and extending through March 16, 2001.

The United States remains committed to finding a mutually agreed solution concerning Category 301. Should such a solution be reached in consultations with the Government of Pakistan, further notice will be published in the **Federal Register**.

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 64 FR 71982, published on December 22, 1999). Also see 64 FR 12290, published on March 12, 1999.

D. Michael Hutchinson,

Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

March 14, 2000.

Commissioner of Customs,
Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20229.

Dear Commissioner: Pursuant to section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854); Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended; and the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (ATC), you are directed to prohibit, effective on March 17, 2000, entry into the United States for consumption and withdrawal from warehouse for consumption of combed cotton yarn in Category 301, produced or manufactured in Pakistan and exported during the twelve-month period beginning on March 17, 2000 and extending through March 16, 2001, in excess of 5,578,425 kilograms.

The limit set forth above is subject to adjustment pursuant to the provisions of the ATC.

Products in the above category exported during the March 17, 1999 through March 16, 2000 period shall be charged to the limit for that year (see directive dated March 5, 1999) to the extent of any unfilled balances. In the event the limit established for that period has been exhausted by previous entries, such products shall be charged to the limit set forth in this directive.

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 this action falls 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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