

67 FR 44424, July 2, 2002. *Order Date:* March 20, 2002.

Docket Number: 02-023. *Applicant:* University of California, Los Alamos National Laboratory, Los Alamos, NM 87545. *Instrument:* Electron Microscope, Model Tecnai G2 F30 TWIN. *Manufacturer:* FEI Company, The Netherlands. *Intended Use:* See notice at 67 FR 44425, July 2, 2002. *Order Date:* December 14, 2001.

Comments: None received. *Decision:* Approved. No instrument of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instrument, for such purposes as these instruments are intended to be used, was being manufactured in the United States at the time the instruments were ordered. *Reasons:* Each foreign instrument is a conventional transmission electron microscope (CTEM) and is intended for research or scientific educational uses requiring a CTEM. We know of no CTEM, or any other instrument suited to these purposes, which was being manufactured in the United States at the time of order of each instrument.

Gerald A. Zerdy,
Program Manager, Statutory Import Programs Staff.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Application for Duty-Free Entry of Scientific Instrument

Pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Educational, Scientific and Cultural Materials Importation Act of 1966 (Pub. L. 89-651; 80 Stat. 897; 15 CFR part 301), we invite comments on the question of whether an instrument of equivalent scientific value, for the purposes for which the instrument shown below is intended to be used, is being manufactured in the United States.

Comments must comply with 15 CFR 301.5(a)(3) and (4) of the regulations and be filed within 20 days with the Statutory Import Programs Staff, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230. Applications may be examined between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. in Suite 4100W, U.S. Department of Commerce, Franklin Court Building, 1099 14th Street, NW., Washington, DC.

Docket Number: 02-031. *Applicant:* University of Colorado, JILA, UCB 440, JILA Building, Room S/175, Boulder, CO 80309.

Instrument: Nd:YAG Solid-state Laser. *Manufacturer:* InnoLight GmbH,

Germany. *Intended Use:* The instrument is intended to be used for the purpose of Optical Frequency Standard and to investigate the frequency noise, amplitude noise, tunability thermal stability, and optical power of the laser. A high resolution iodine cell based spectrometer will be set up to explore sub-Doppler iodine spectra near 532 nm. The Nd:YAG laser frequency will be doubled and the information of the iodine signal will be used to control the laser frequency. Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: July 11, 2002.

Gerald A. Zerdy,

Program Manager, Statutory Import Programs Staff.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 071902D]

Marine Mammals; Permit No. 473-1433-02, Permit No. 662-1345-01, and Permit No. 545-1488-00

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

ACTION: Receipt of applications to amend permits.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Janice Straley, Assistant Professor of Marine Biology, University of Southeast Alaska, 1332 Seward Avenue, Sitka, Alaska 99835-9498; Dena Matkin, P.O. Box 22, Gustavus, Alaska 99826; and The North Gulf Oceanic Society, SPWS Bldg., 3776 Lake Avenue, Suite 204, Homer, AK 99603 (Principal Investigator: Craig O. Matkin) have requested to take the following species of marine mammals for scientific research purposes: Steller sea lions (*Eumetopias jubatus*), humpback whales (*Megaptera novaeangliae*), minke whales (*Balaenoptera acutorostrata*), harbor porpoise (*Phocoena phocoena*), Dall's porpoise (*Phocoenoides dalli*), harbor seals (*Phoca vitulina*), gray whales (*Eschrichtius robustus*), Pacific white-sided dolphins (*Lagenorhynchus obliquidens*) and Northern fur seals (*Callorhinus ursinus*).

The permit holders are each requesting identical annual takes for the above species to collect dead parts and incidentally harass during killer whale predation studies.

DATES: Written or telefaxed comments on the new applications, amendment requests or Environmental Assessment must be received on or before August 26, 2002.

ADDRESSES: The applications, amendment requests and related documents, and the Environmental Assessment are available for review upon written request, by downloading from the internet, or by appointment in the following office(s):

Permits, Conservation and Education Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910, (301) 713-2289, or the Division's web page at www.nmfs.noaa.gov/prot_res/PR1/Permits/pr1permits_review.html; and Alaska Region, NMFS, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802-1668; phone (907) 586-7221; fax (907) 586-7249.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jill Lewandowski or Trevor Spradlin, 301/713-2289.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject permits and amendments are requested under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (MMPA; 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 (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered and threatened species (50 CFR parts 222-226), and the Fur Seal Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1151 *et seq.*).

Applications to Amend Permits

Permit No. 473-1433-02, originally issued to Jan Straley December 12, 1997 (62 FR 67052) and amended on October 7, 1999 and February 16, 2001 (66 FR 11274), authorizes the annual take of humpback whales, killer whales, minke whales, gray whales, and fin whales (*B. physalus*) by photo-identification. Additionally, the permit authorizes the take of sperm whales (*Physeter catodon*) by photo-identification and suction cup tagging. The objective of the research is to develop long-term sighting histories of individual whales to assess stock structure, life history parameters, feeding behaviors, social behaviors of feeding populations, and population estimates.

Permit No. 662-1345-01, originally issued to Dena Matkin on May 30, 1997 (62 FR 13368) and amended on June 21, 2002 (67 FR 43283), authorizes the annual take of killer whales and humpback whales by photo-identification. The purpose of the research is to continue long-term, year-

round photo-identification work in Southern Alaska to define the population size, structure and range of killer whales, and to obtain identification of photographs of humpback whales opportunistically in conjunction with the killer whale research.

Permit No. 545-1488-00, originally issued to the North Gulf Society (Principal Investigator: Craig Matkin) on April 30, 1999 (64 FR 24592), authorizes the annual take of killer whales by photo-identification, biopsy sampling and incidental harassment. The purposes of the authorized research is to study killer whale population analyses, describe mating systems and social structures in well-known resident pods and analyze blubber samples for contaminants and genetic studies.

NOAA environmental review procedures provide that scientific research permits are generally categorically excluded from the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA; 42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*) requirements to prepare an environmental assessment (EA) or environmental impact statement (EIS). However, because of the magnitude and intensity of proposed research on Steller sea lions, which is largely related to the recent funding opportunities (see 66 CFR 15842), and the intense public interest in this species, NMFS prepared an EA to consider the scope of Steller sea lion research activities. NMFS has determined that the current applicants' proposed research activities are consistent with those activities previously considered in the EA which resulted in a finding of no significant impact. The EA has been made available on the Permits, Conservation and Education Division website listed previously.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, NMFS is forwarding copies of these applications to the Marine Mammal Commission and its Committee of Scientific Advisors.

Dated: July 19, 2002.

Eugene T. Nitta,

Acting Chief, Permits, Conservation and Education Division, 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 Qatar

July 19, 2002.

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

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 26, 2002.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Roy Unger, 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.gov>. For information on embargoes and quota reopenings, refer to the Office of Textiles and Apparel website at <http://otexa.ita.doc.gov>.

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 current limits for certain categories are being adjusted for swing and carryforward.

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 66 FR 65178, published on December 18, 2001). Also see 66 FR 59582, published on November 29, 2001.

James C. Leonard III,
Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

July 19, 2002.

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 23, 2001, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. That directive concerns imports of certain cotton and man-made fiber textile products, produced or manufactured in Qatar and exported during the twelve-month period beginning on

January 1, 2002 and extending through December 31, 2002.

Effective on July 26, 2002, you are directed to adjust the current limits for the following categories, as provided for under the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing:

Category	Adjusted twelve-month limit ¹
341/641	233,370 dozen.
347/348	786,998 dozen.

¹ The limits have not been adjusted to account for any imports exported after December 31, 2001.

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,

James C. Leonard III,
Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Adjustment of an Import Limit for Certain Man-Made Fiber Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Thailand

July 19, 2002.

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

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 30, 2002.

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.gov>. For information on embargoes and quota reopenings, refer to the Office of Textiles and Apparel website at <http://www.otexa.ita.doc.gov>.

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 current limit for Category 620 is being reduced for carryforward used.

A description of the textile and apparel categories in terms of HTS numbers is available in the