

(2) Who has responsibility over this issue? If unclear, or uncertain, who should be in charge?

(3) Identify and describe a possible solution or solutions that would remedy the issue?

(4) Does the solution require (a) no changes to the present administrative or statutory structure, or (b) administrative changes, and if so, what changes would you propose, or (c) statutory changes, and if so, what would they be?

(5) How could one measure whether the solution is being properly implemented and working?

(6) Briefly describe the best way to keep you informed about changes within NMFS and fisheries management.

#### Special Accommodations

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Dated: August 21, 2003.

**William T. Hogarth,**

*Assistant Administrator, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D 080403A]

#### Endangered Species; File No. 1397

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

**ACTION:** Issuance of permit.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that Dr. Jeanette Wyneken, Florida Atlantic University, 777 Glades Rd., Boca Raton, FL 33431, has been issued a permit to take green sea turtles (*Chelonia mydas*) for purposes of scientific research.

**ADDRESSES:** The permit and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following offices:

Permits, Conservation and Education Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910; phone (301)713-2289; fax (301)713-0376;

Southeast Region, NMFS, 9721 Executive Center Drive North, St. Petersburg, FL 33702-2432; phone (727)570-5301; fax (727)570-5320.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Patrick Opay, (301)713-1401 or Carrie Hubard, (301)713-2289.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On November 27, 2002, notice was published in the **Federal Register** (67 FR 70934) that a request for a scientific research permit to take green sea turtles had been submitted by the above-named individual. The requested permit has been issued under the authority of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) and the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered and threatened species (50 CFR parts 222-226).

The applicant will hand capture, handle, transport, temporarily hold, measure, weigh, sonic tag, paint a number on the carapace of, flipper tag, PIT tag, tissue sample, lavage, photograph, track, recapture and remove the sonic tag from, and release up to 10 green sea turtles annually. Although not included in the original permit application, NMFS received comments during the application review which recommended that the applicant flipper tag, PIT tag, and tissue biopsy each of the turtles captured during the proposed research. Tagging will facilitate individual identification of the turtles and provide information on migratory movements in the event of recapture by other researchers or stranding in the future. A biopsy sample will allow researchers to determine the genetic identity(s) of this group of animals, a priority research goal identified by NMFS. NMFS contacted the applicant to discuss these recommendations, and the applicant agreed to conduct these additional research activities. The purpose of the research is to determine the number and distribution of green sea turtles (*Chelonia mydas*) on shallow reef habitat located in Palm Beach County, FL as well as quantify their daily movements and establish what food and other resources of importance to this species are present there. The permit duration is 2 years.

Issuance of this permit, as required by the ESA, was based on a finding that such permit (1) was applied for in good faith, (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of the endangered species which is the subject of this permit, and (3) is consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

Dated: August 19, 2003.

**Jennifer Skidmore,**

*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 Wool Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in the Dominican Republic

August 20, 2003.

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

**ACTION:** Issuing a directive to the Commissioner, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection adjusting limits.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** August 26, 2003.

**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, call (202) 927-5850, or refer to the Bureau of Customs and Border Protection website at <http://www.customs.gov>. For information on embargoes and quota re-openings, 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.

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 68 FR 1599, published on January 13, 2003). Also see 67 FR 65340, published on October 24, 2002.

**James C. Leonard III**

*Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.*

### Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

August 20, 2003.

Commissioner,  
Bureau of Customs and Border Protection,

Washington, DC 20229.

Dear Commissioner: This directive amends, but does not cancel, the directive issued to you on October 18, 2002, 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 the Dominican Republic and exported during the twelve-month period which began on January 1, 2003 and extends through December 31, 2003.

Effective on August 26, 2003, 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 <sup>1</sup>
433 .....	27,990 dozen.
443 .....	173,859 numbers.
444 .....	79,079 numbers.
448 .....	42,721 dozen.

<sup>1</sup>The limits have not been adjusted to account for any imports exported after December 31, 2002.

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 Import Limits for Certain Cotton, Wool, Man-Made Fiber, Silk Blend and Other Vegetable Fiber Textiles and Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Taiwan**

August 20, 2003.

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

**ACTION:** Issuing a directive to the Commissioner, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection adjusting limits.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** August 26, 2003.

**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 Bureau of Customs and Border Protection 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 carryover, swing and special shift.

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 68 FR 1599, published on January 13, 2003). Also see 67 FR 68577, published on November 12, 2002.

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

**Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements**

August 20, 2003.

Commissioner,  
Bureau of Customs and Border Protection,  
Washington, DC 20229.

Dear Commissioner: This directive amends, but does not cancel, the directive issued to you on November 1, 2002, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. That directive concerns imports of certain cotton, wool, man-made fiber, silk blend and other vegetable fiber textiles and textile products, produced or manufactured in Taiwan and exported during the twelve-month period which began on January 1, 2003 and extends through December 31, 2003.

Effective on August 26, 2003, 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	Twelve-month limit <sup>1</sup>
Group II	
237, 239pt <sup>2</sup> , 331pt. <sup>3</sup> , 332, 333/334/335, 336, 338/339, 340-345, 347/348, 351, 352/652, 359-C/659-C <sup>4</sup> , 659-H <sup>5</sup> , 359pt. <sup>6</sup> , 433-438, 440, 442, 443, 444, 445/446, 447/448, 459pt. <sup>7</sup> , 631pt. <sup>8</sup> , 633/634/635, 636, 638/639, 640, 641-644, 645/646, 647/648, 651, 659-S <sup>9</sup> , 659pt. <sup>10</sup> , 846 and 852, as a group.	609,060,139 square meters equivalent.
Sublevels in Group II	
336 .....	166,779 dozen.
340 .....	1,249,024 dozen.
345 .....	147,035 dozen.
352/652 .....	3,733,424 dozen.
435 .....	28,129 dozen.
438 .....	31,315 dozen.
445/446 .....	147,566 dozen.
638/639 .....	6,533,712 dozen.
640 .....	1,002,515 dozen of which not more than 281,710 dozen shall be in Category 640-Y <sup>11</sup> .
642 .....	799,193 dozen.
647/648 .....	5,404,466 dozen of which not more than 5,141,289 dozen shall be in Categories 647-W/648-W <sup>12</sup> .
659-H .....	2,511,597 kilograms.
659-S .....	1,729,838 kilograms.
Group II Subgroup	
333/334/335, 341, 342, 351, 447/448, 636, 641 and 651, as a group ....	74,322,479 square meters equivalent.
Within Group II Subgroup	
333/334/335 .....	338,564 dozen of which not more than 183,391 dozen shall be in Category 335.
341 .....	368,564 dozen.
342 .....	274,698 dozen.
351 .....	276,982 dozen.