

contrary to the public interest and, where applicable, that good cause exists for making some SIAPs effective in less than 30 days.

Conclusion

The FAA has determined that this regulation only involves an established body of technical regulations for which frequent and routine amendments are necessary to keep them operationally current. It, therefore—(1) is not a “significant regulatory action” under Executive Order 12866; (2) is not a “significant rule” under DOT Regulatory Policies and Procedures (44 FR 11034; February 26, 1979); and (3) does not warrant preparation of a regulatory evaluation as the anticipated impact is so minimal. For the same reason, the FAA certifies that this amendment will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 97

Air traffic control, Airports, Navigation (air).

Issued in Washinton, DC on April 2, 1999.

L. Nicholas Lacey,

Director, Flight Standards Service.

Adoption of the Amendment

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me, part 97 of the Federal Aviation Regulations (14 CFR part 97) is amended as follows:

PART 97—STANDARD INSTRUMENT APPROACH PROCEDURES

1. The authority citation for part 97 continues to read:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40103, 40106, 40113–40114, 40120, 44502, 44514, 44701, 44719, 44721–44722.

2. Amend 97.23, 97.27, 97.33 and 97.35, as appropriate, by adding, revising, or removing the following SIAP's, effective at 0901 UTC on the dates specified:

...Effective May 20, 1999

Bettles, AK, NDB OR GPS–A, Amdt 8
CANCELLED
Bettles, AK, NDB–A, Amdt 8
Cold Bay, AK, Cold Bay, VOR/DME OR
TACAN OR GPS–A, Orig-A CANCELLED
Cold Bay, AK, Cold Bay, VOR/DME OR
TACAN–A, Orig-A
Dead Horse, AK, NDB OR GPS–A, Amdt 2A,
CANCELLED
Dead Horse, AK, NDB–A, Amdt 2A
Kenai, AK, Kenai Muni, NDB OR GPS–A,
Amdt 3, CANCELLED
Kenai, AK, Kenai Muni, NDB–A, Amdt 3
King Salmon, AK, King Salmon, VOR OR
TACAN OR GPS RWY 11, Amdt 11,
CANCELLED

King Salmon, AK, King Salmon, VOR OR
TACAN RWY 11, Amdt 11
King Salmon, AK, King Salmon, VOR OR
TACAN OR GPS RWY 29 Amdt 8,
CANCELLED
King Salmon, AK, King Salmon, VOR OR
TACAN RWY 29, Amdt 8
Kotzebue, AK, Kotzebue/Ralph Wien
Memorial, NDB OR GPS–A, Orig,
CANCELLED
Kotzebue, AK, Kotzebue/Ralph Wien
Memorial, NDB–A, Orig
Port Heiden, AK, Port Heiden, NBD/DME OR
GPS RWY 5, Amdt 1 CANCELLED
Port Heiden, AK, Port Heiden, NBD/DME
RWY 5, Amdt 1
Port Heiden, AK, Port Heiden, NBD/DME OR
GPS RWY 13, Amdt 1 CANCELLED
Port Heiden, AK, Port Heiden, NBD/DME
RWY 13, Amdt 1
Talkeetna, AK, Talkeetna, VOR OR GPS–A,
Amdt 9A, CANCELLED
Talkeetna, AK, Talkeetna, VOR–A, Amdt 9A
Bakersfield, CA, Meadows Field, VOR OR
GPS RWY 30R, Amdt 7, CANCELLED
Bakersfield, CA, Meadows Field, VOR RWY
30R, Amdt 7
Crescent City, CA, Jack McNamara Field,
VOR/DME OR GPS RWY 11, Amdt 12,
CANCELLED
Crescent City, CA, Jack McNamara Field,
VOR/DME RWY 11, Amdt 12
Crescent City, CA, Jack McNamara Field,
VOR/DME OR GPS RWY 35, Amdt 10,
CANCELLED
Crescent City, CA, Jack McNamara Field,
VOR/DME RWY 35, Amdt 10
Oakdale, CA, Oakdale, VOR OR GPS RWY
10, Amdt 5B, CANCELLED
Oakdale, CA, Oakdale, VOR RWY 10, Amdt
5B
Oakland, CA, Metropolitan Oakland Intl,
VOR/DME or GPS RWY 27L, Amdt 10A,
CANCELLED
Oakland, CA, Metropolitan Oakland Intl,
VOR/DME RWY 27L, Amdt 10A
Oroville, CA, Oroville Muni, NDB OR GPS
RWY 1, Amdt 2A CANCELLED
Oroville, CA, Oroville Muni, NDG RWY 1,
Amdt 2A
Zephyrhills, FL, Zephyrhills Muni, NDB OR
GPS RWY 4, Orig, CANCELLED
Zephyrhills, FL, Zephyrhills Muni, NDB
RWY 4, Orig
Denison, IA, Denison Muni, NDB OR GPS
RWY 30, Amdt 4A, CANCELLED
Denison, IA, Denison Muni, NDB RWY 30,
Amdt 4A
Maquoketa, IA, Maquoketa Muni, NBD OR
GPS RWY 15, Amdt 2B CANCELLED
Maquoketa, IA, Maquoketa Muni, NBD RWY
15, Amdt 2B
Rock Rapids, IA, Rock Rapids Muni, NBD OR
GPS RWY 16, Amdt 1, CANCELLED
Rock Rapids, IA, Rock Rapids Muni, NBD
RWY 16, Amdt 1
Chicago/Romeoville, IL, Lewis University,
VOR OR GPS RWY 9, Amdt 1,
CANCELLED
Chicago/Romeoville, IL, Lewis University,
VOR RWY 9, Amdt 1
Little Falls, MN, Little Falls-Morrison
County, NBD OR GPS RWY 30, Amdt 5,
CANCELLED
Little Falls, MN, Little Falls-Morrison
County, NBD RWY 30, Amdt 5

Jackson, MS, Jackson Intl, NDB OR GPS RWY
16L, Amdt 4A, CANCELLED
Jackson, MS, Jackson Intl, NDB RWY 16L,
Amdt 4A
Roxboro, NC, Roxboro/Person County, NBD
OR GPS RWY 6, Amdt 3, CANCELLED
Roxboro, NC, Roxboro/Person County, NBD
RWY 6, Amdt 3
Bartlesville, OK, Bartlesville Muni, VOR OR
GPS RWY 17, Amdt 10, CANCELLED
Bartlesville, OK, Bartlesville Muni, VOR
RWY 17, Amdt 10
Bartlesville, OK, Bartlesville Muni, VOR/
DME OR GPS RWY 35, Amdt 5,
CANCELLED
Bartlesville, OK, Bartlesville Muni, VOR/
DME RWY 35, Amdt 5
Clinton, OK, Clinton-Sherman, VOR OR GPS
RWY 35L, Amdt 11A, CANCELLED
Clinton, OK, Clinton-Sherman, VOR RWY
35L, Amdt 11A
Columbia, SC, Columbia Metropolitan, VOR/
DME RNAV OR GPS RWY 5, Orig-B,
CANCELLED
Columbia, SC, Columbia Metropolitan, VOR/
DME RNAV RWY 5, Orig-B
Walterboro, SC, Walterboro Muni, NDB OR
GPS RWY 23, Amdt 11A, CANCELLED
Walterboro, SC, Walterboro Muni, NDB RWY
23, Amdt 11A
College Station, TX, College Station
Easterwood Field, VOR OR TACAN OR
GPS RWY 10, Amdt 18A, CANCELLED
College Station, TX, College Station
Easterwood Field, VOR OR TACAN RWY
10, Amdt 18A
College Station, TX, College Station
Easterwood Field, NDB OR GPS RWY 34,
Amdt 11B, CANCELLED
College Station, TX, College Station
Easterwood Field, NDB RWY 34, Amdt 11B
Wise, VA, Lonesome Pine, VOR/DME RNAV
OR GPS RWY 24, Amdt 2, CANCELLED
Wise, VA, Lonesome Pine, VOR/DME RNAV
RWY 24, Amdt 2
Casper, WY, Natrona County Intl, VOR/DME
OR GPS RWY 3, Amdt 3, CANCELLED
Casper, WY, Natrona County Intl, VOR/DME
RWY 3, Amdt 3

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Customs Service

19 CFR PART 12

[T.D. 99–35]

RIN 1515–AC46

Import Restrictions Imposed On Byzantine Ecclesiastical and Ritual Ethnological Material from Cyprus

AGENCY: U.S. Customs Service, Department of the Treasury.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This document amends the Customs Regulations by imposing emergency import restrictions on certain ecclesiastical and ritual ethnological

material from Cyprus representing the Byzantine period, ranging in date from approximately the 4th century A.D. through approximately the 15th century A.D. These restrictions are being imposed pursuant to a determination of the United States Information Agency issued under the terms of the Convention on Cultural Property Implementation Act in accordance with the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) Convention on the Means of Prohibiting and Preventing the Illicit Import, Export and Transfer of Ownership of Cultural Property. The document contains the Designated List describing the Byzantine ecclesiastical and ritual ethnological material from Cyprus to which the restrictions apply.

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 12, 1999.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The value of cultural property, whether archaeological or ethnological in nature, is immeasurable. Such items often constitute the very essence of a society and convey important information concerning a people's origin, history, and traditional setting. The importance and popularity of such items regrettably makes them targets of theft, encourages clandestine looting of archaeological sites, and results in their illegal export and import.

The U.S. shares in the international concern for the need to protect endangered cultural property. The appearance in the U.S. of stolen or illegally exported artifacts from other countries where there has been pillage has, on occasion, strained our foreign and cultural relations. This situation, combined with the concerns of museum, archaeological, and scholarly communities, was recognized by the President and Congress. It became apparent that it was in the national interest for the U.S. to join with other countries to control illegal trafficking of such articles in international commerce.

The U.S. joined international efforts and actively participated in deliberations resulting in the 1970 UNESCO Convention on the Means of Prohibiting and Preventing the Illicit Import, Export and Transfer of Ownership of Cultural Property (823 U.N.T.S. 231 (1972)). U.S. acceptance of the 1970 UNESCO Convention was codified into U.S. law as the

"Convention on Cultural Property Implementation Act" (Pub. L. 97-446, 19 U.S.C. 2601 *et seq.*) ("the Act"). This was done to promote U.S. leadership in achieving greater international cooperation towards preserving cultural treasures that are of importance to the nations from where they originate and to achieving greater international understanding of mankind's common heritage.

During the past several years, import restrictions have been imposed on archaeological and ethnological artifacts of a number of signatory nations. These restrictions have been imposed either as a result of requests for emergency protection received from those nations or pursuant to bilateral agreements between the United States and other countries.

This document amends the regulations by adding additional ethnological artifacts to the list of articles for which importation restrictions exist.

Cyprus

Under § 303(a)(3) of the Cultural Property Implementation Act (19 U.S.C. 2602(a)(3)), Cyprus, a State Party to the 1970 UNESCO Convention, asked the U.S. Government to impose import restrictions on certain categories of archeological and/or ethnological material the pillage of which, it was alleged, jeopardizes the national cultural patrimony of Cyprus. Notice of receipt of this request was published by the United States Information Agency (USIA) in the **Federal Register** (63 FR 49154) on September 14, 1998.

The request was forwarded to the Cultural Property Advisory Committee, which conducted a review and investigation and submitted its report in accordance with the provisions of 19 U.S.C. 2605(f) to the Deputy Director, USIA. Pursuant to the provisions of 19 U.S.C. 2603(a)(3), the Committee found the situation in Cyprus to be an emergency, and recommended that emergency import restrictions be imposed on certain Byzantine ritual and ecclesiastical ethnological material from Cyprus. The Deputy Director, pursuant to the authority vested in him under Executive Order 12555 and USIA Delegation Order 86-3, considered the Committee's recommendations and on March 4, 1999, the Acting Director made the determination that emergency import restrictions be applied.

The Commissioner of Customs, in consultation with the Acting Director of the USIA, has developed a list of types of covered ritual and ecclesiastical ethnological material from Cyprus representing the Byzantine period. The

materials on this list are subject to § 12.104a(b), Customs Regulations (19 CFR 12.104a(b)). As provided in 19 U.S.C. 2601 *et seq.*, and § 12.104a(b), Customs Regulations, listed materials from this area may not be imported into the U.S. unless accompanied by documentation certifying that the material left Cyprus legally and not in violation of the laws of Cyprus.

In the event an importer cannot produce the certificate, documentation, or other evidence required by § 12.104c, Customs Regulations (19 CFR 12.104c) at the time of making entry, § 12.104d, Customs Regulations (19 CFR 12.104d) provides that the port director shall take custody of the material until the certificate, documentation, or evidence is presented. Section 12.104e provides that if the importer states in writing that he will not attempt to secure the required certificate, documentation, or evidence, or the importer does not present the required certificate, documentation, or evidence to Customs within the time provided, the material shall be seized and summarily forfeited to the U.S. in accordance with the provisions of Part 162, Customs Regulations (19 CFR Part 162).

List of Ecclesiastical and Ritual Ethnological Material from Cyprus Representing the Byzantine Period

Ecclesiastical and ritual ethnological material from Cyprus representing the Byzantine period dating from approximately the 4th century A.D. through the 15th century A.D., includes the categories listed below. The following list is representative only.

I. Metal

A. Bronze

Ceremonial objects include crosses, censers (incense burners), rings, and buckles for ecclesiastical garments. The objects may be decorated with engraved or modeled designs or Greek inscriptions. Crosses, rings and buckles are often set with semi-precious stones.

B. Lead

Lead objects date to the Byzantine period and include ampulla (small bottle-shaped forms) used in religious observance.

C. Silver and Gold

Ceremonial vessels and objects used in ritual and as components of church treasure. Ceremonial objects include censers (incense burners), book covers, liturgical crosses, archbishop's crowns, buckles, and chests. These are often decorated with molded or incised geometric motifs or scenes from the Bible, and encrusted with semi-precious

or precious stones. The gems themselves may be engraved with religious figures or inscriptions. Church treasure may include all of the above, as well as rings, earrings, and necklaces (some decorated with ecclesiastical themes) and other implements (e.g., spoons).

II. Wood

Artifacts made of wood are primarily those intended for ritual or ecclesiastical use during the Byzantine period. These include painted icons, painted wood screens (iconstasis), carved doors, crosses, painted wooded beams from churches or monasteries, thrones, chests and musical instruments. Religious figures (Christ, the Apostles, the Virgin, and others) predominate in the painted and carved figural decoration. Ecclesiastical furniture and architectural elements may also be decorated with geometric or floral designs.

III. Ivory and Bone

Ecclesiastical and ritual objects of ivory and bone boxes, plaques, pendants, candelabra, stamp rings, crosses. Carved and engraved decoration includes religious figures, scenes from the Bible, and floral and geometric designs.

IV. Glass

Ecclesiastical objects such as lamps and ritual vessels.

V. Textiles—Ritual Garments

Ecclesiastical garments and other ritual textiles from the Byzantine period. Robes, vestments and altar clothes are often of a fine fabric and richly embroidered in silver and gold. Embroidered designs include religious motifs and floral and geometric designs.

VI. Stone

A. Wall Mosaics

Dating to the Byzantine period, wall mosaics are found in ecclesiastical buildings. These generally portray images of Christ, Archangels, and the Apostles in scenes of Biblical events. Surrounding panels may contain animal, floral, or geometric designs.

B. Floor Mosaics

Floor mosaics from ecclesiastical contexts. Examples include the mosaics at Nea Paphos, Kourion, Kouklia, Chrysopolitissa Basilica and Campanopetra Basilica. Floor mosaics may have animal, floral, geometric designs, or inscriptions.

VII. Frescoes/Wall Paintings

Wall paintings from the Byzantine period religious structures (churches, monasteries, chapels, etc.) Like the mosaics, wall paintings generally portray images of Christ, Archangels, and the Apostles in scenes of Biblical events. Surrounding paintings may contain animal, floral, or geometric designs.

Inapplicability of Notice and Delayed Effective Date

This amendment is being made without notice or public procedure, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(B), because the action being taken is of an emergency nature and such notice or public procedure would be impracticable and contrary to the public interest. For the same reasons, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553(d)(3), a delayed effective date is not required.

Regulatory Flexibility Act

Because no notice of proposed rulemaking is required, the provisions of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*) do not apply.

Executive Order 12866

This amendment does not meet the criteria of a "significant regulatory action" as described in E.O. 12866.

Drafting Information

The principal author of this document was Keith B. Rudich, Esq., Regulations Branch, Office of Regulations and Rulings, U.S. Customs Service. However, personnel from other offices participated in its development.

List of Subjects in 19 CFR Part 12

Customs duties and inspections, Imports, Cultural property.

Amendment to the Regulations

Accordingly, Part 12 of the Customs Regulations (19 CFR Part 12) is amended as set forth below:

PART 12—[AMENDED]

1. The general authority and specific authority citation for Part 12, in part, continue to read as follows:

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 301, 19 U.S.C. 66, 1202 (General Note 20, Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS)), 1624;

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Sections 12.104 through 12.104i also issued under 19 U.S.C. 2612;

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2. In § 12.104g(b) the list of emergency actions imposing import restrictions on described articles of cultural property of State Parties is amended by adding Cyprus in appropriate alphabetical order as follows:

§ 12.104g Specific items or categories designated by agreements or emergency actions.

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State party	Cultural property	T.D. number
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Cyprus	Byzantine ecclesiastical and ritual ethnological materials from Cyprus.	99-35

Approved: March 30, 1999.

Raymond W. Kelly,
Commissioner of Customs.

Dennis M. O'Connell,
Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

22 CFR Parts 121, 123, 124 and 126

[Public Notice 3026]

Amendments to the International Traffic In Arms Regulations

AGENCY: Bureau of Political-Military Affairs, State.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The President of the United States at the 1998 Summit of the Americas in Santiago, Chile, discussed with the Summit leaders the importance of strengthening protections against the new transnational threats facing the region, including the production, distribution, and abuse of narcotics,