

**Cooperative Statistics Program Scoping Meeting;**

The purpose of this scoping meeting is to provide the public an opportunity to express their views on ways to improve commercial and recreational fisheries data collection.

*November 18, 1997, 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon—Joint Habitat Committee and Habitat Advisory Panel chairmen and state & Federal representatives to the Habitat Advisory Panel;*

The Committee, chairmen and representatives will review the status of the Habitat FMP and comprehensive Habitat Amendment, review fishing threats to essential fish habitat, determine fishery impacts on habitat, and develop management options for the Habitat FMP.

*November 18, 1997, 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.—Marine Reserves Committee;*

The Committee will review recent activities in the country that have focused on marine reserves, such as meetings, workshops and research, review the status of the Oculina Bank closed area, hear a report from NMFS law enforcement on fishing vessel monitoring systems and the potential for enforcing marine reserves, and discuss a Council approach for addressing marine reserves in the South Atlantic.

*November 18, 1997, 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.—Information and Education (I & E) Committee;*

The Committee will review current Council I & E activities, hear an overview of the NMFS Southeast Regional Office plan for fishery I & E activities, and discuss additional and/or future I & E activities.

*November 19, 1997, 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon—Mackerel Committee;*

The Committee will review items for Amendment 9 to the Coastal Migratory Pelagics FMP proposed by the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, discuss the Gulf Council's response to the South Atlantic Council's request for true lead in dolphin and wahoo management, and hear the status of Amendment 8 to the Coastal Migratory Pelagics FMP and the 1997-98 framework seasonal adjustments.

*November 19, 1997, 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.—Scientific and Statistical Selection (SSC) Committee (CLOSED SESSION);*

The Committee will review resumes and develop recommendations for appointment to SSC.

*November 19, 1997, 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.—Advisory Panel Selection Committee (CLOSED SESSION);*

The Committee will review applications and develop recommendations for appointments to advisory panels.

*November 19, 1997, 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.—Personnel Committee (CLOSED SESSION);*

The Committee will discuss Council personnel issues.

*November 20, 1997, 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon—Snapper Grouper Committee;*

The Committee will hear status reports on Amendments 8 and 9 to the Snapper Grouper FMP, hear stock assessment reports on scamp and vermilion snapper species, hear the snapper grouper logbook report, a report on the economic survey results, and review special management zone requests and develop recommendations.

*November 20, 1997, 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.—Snapper Grouper Committee continued;*

*November 20, 1997, 3:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.—Council Session;*

The full Council will convene to hear comments from Rear Admiral Norman T. Saunders, Commander of the 7th Coast Guard District, and to begin development of the Magnuson-Stevens Act Generic Amendment (the Council will review definitions of overfishing and rebuilding timeframes for each FMP, develop new definitions and rebuilding timeframes where required, and review other Magnuson-Stevens Act requirements).

*November 21, 1997, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.—Council Session;*

The full Council will convene to hear committee reports at the following times.

*8:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.—Habitat Committee report;*

The Council will approve Habitat Amendment management options.

*9:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.—Snapper Grouper Committee report;*

The Council will take action on special management zone requests.

*9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.—Marine Reserves Committee report;*

*10:00 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.—Mackerel Committee report;*

The Council will take action on Gulf Council proposed actions for Coastal Migratory Pelagics Amendment 9.

*10:45 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.—I & E Committee report;*

*11:00 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.—SSC Selection Committee report (CLOSED SESSION);*

The Council will approve new SSC members.

*11:15 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.—Advisory Panel Selection Committee report (CLOSED SESSION);*

The Council will approve new advisory panel members.

*11:45 a.m. to 12:00 noon—Personnel Committee report (CLOSED SESSION);*

*1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., the Council will hear a report from the U.S. Fish and*

Wildlife Service on the Federal aid program and the South Florida restoration project; modify the Bycatch Reduction Device Protocol; hear reports on the status of the investigation of the four golden crab permits; the golden crab framework action; the Operations Plan meeting, the Dolphin/Wahoo FMP request; progress of the Calico Scallop FMP development; the Highly Migratory Species longline Advisory Panel meeting; the Highly Migratory Species billfish advisory Panel meeting; and the Atlantic Coastal Cooperative Statistics Program before making Council recommendations. The Council will also hear agency and liaison reports and discuss other business.

Although other issues not contained in this agenda may come before this Council/Committee for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, those issues may not be the subject of formal Council/Committee action during this meeting. Council/Committee action will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in the agenda listed in this notice.

**Special Accommodations**

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to the Council office (see ADDRESSES) by November 10, 1997.

Dated: October 29, 1997.

**Gary C. Matlock,**

*Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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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 Macau**

October 29, 1997.

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

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

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** November 5, 1997.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Helen L. LeGrande, 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 or call (202) 927-5850. For information on embargoes and quota re-openings, call (202) 482-3715.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

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

The current limits for certain categories are being increased for 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 61 FR 66263, published on December 17, 1996). Also see 61 FR 68244, published on December 27, 1996.

The letter to the Commissioner of Customs and the actions taken pursuant to it are not designed to implement all of the provisions of the Uruguay Round Agreements Act and the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing, but are designed to assist only in the implementation of certain of their provisions.

**Troy H. Cribb,**

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

#### Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

October 29, 1997.

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 December 20, 1996, 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 Macau and exported during the twelve-month period which began on January 1, 1997 and extends through December 31, 1997.

Effective on November 5, 1997, you are directed to increase the current limits for the following categories, as provided for under the Uruguay Round Agreements Act and the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing:

Category	Adjusted twelve-month limit <sup>1</sup>
Levels in Group I	
336/836 .....	73,429 dozen.
338 .....	384,557 dozen.

Category	Adjusted twelve-month limit <sup>1</sup>
339 .....	1,605,326 dozen.
340 .....	380,182 dozen.
341 .....	227,016 dozen.
342 .....	105,410 dozen.
345 .....	64,942 dozen.
347/348/847 .....	877,233 dozen.
351/851 .....	83,354 dozen.
359-C/659-C <sup>2</sup> .....	424,824 kilograms.
359-V <sup>3</sup> .....	141,608 kilograms.
633/634/635 .....	654,785 dozen.
638/639/838 .....	2,027,771 dozen.
659-S <sup>4</sup> .....	147,834 kilograms.
Group II	
400-469, as a group	1,713,865 square meters equivalent.
445/446 .....	94,004 dozen.

<sup>1</sup> The limits have not been adjusted to account for any imports exported after December 31, 1996.

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

<sup>3</sup> Category 359-V: only HTS numbers 6103.19.2030, 6103.19.9030, 6104.12.0040, 6104.19.8040, 6110.20.1022, 6110.20.1024, 6110.20.2030, 6110.20.2035, 6110.90.9044, 6110.90.9046, 6201.92.2010, 6202.92.2020, 6203.19.1030, 6203.19.9030, 6204.12.0040, 6204.19.8040, 6211.32.0070 and 6211.42.0070.

<sup>4</sup> Category 659-S: only HTS numbers 6112.31.0010, 6112.31.0020, 6112.41.0010, 6112.41.0020, 6112.41.0030, 6112.41.0040, 6211.11.1010, 6211.11.1020, 6211.12.1010 and 6211.12.1020.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that these actions fall within the foreign affairs exception to the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,

Troy H. Cribb,

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

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#### COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

**Applications of the Chicago Board of Trade for Designation as a Contract Market in PCS Catastrophe Single-Event Insurance Options for the Entire U.S. (National) Plus Eight Regional and State-Based Contracts Covering the Northeast, West, California, Texas, East, Southeast, Midwest, and Florida**

**AGENCY:** Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of the terms and conditions of proposed commodity option contracts.

**SUMMARY:** The Chicago Board of Trade (CBT or Exchange) has applied for designation as a contract market in nine options on PCS catastrophe single-event insurance. The options include a national contract plus eight regional and state-based contracts representing the Northeast, West, California, Texas, East, Southeast, Midwest, and Florida. The applications were submitted under the Commission's 45-day Fast Track procedures. The Acting Director of the Division of Economic Analysis (Division) of the Commission, acting pursuant to the authority delegated by Commission Regulation 140.96, has determined that publication of the proposals for comment is in the public interest, will assist the Commission in considering the views of interested persons, and is consistent with the purpose of the Commodity Exchange Act.

**DATES:** Comments must be received on or before November 19, 1997.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons should submit their views and comments to Jean A. Webb, Secretary, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 21st Street, NW Washington, DC 20581. In addition, comments may be sent by facsimile transmission to facsimile number (202) 418-5521, or by electronic mail to secretary@cftc.gov. Reference should be made to the CBT PCS catastrophe single event insurance options.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Please contact Mike Penick of the Division of Economic Analysis, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 21st Street NW, Washington, 20581, telephone (202) 418-5279. Facsimile number: (202) 418-5527. Electronic mail: mpenick@cftc.gov

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The contracts were submitted pursuant to the Commission's Fast Track procedures for streamlining the review of applications for contract market designation (62 FR 10434). Under those procedures, the contracts, absent any contrary action by the Commission, may be deemed approved at the close of business on December 11, 1997, 45 days after receipt of the applications. In view of the limited review period provided under the Fast Track procedures, the Commission has determined to publish for public comment notice of the availability of the terms and conditions for 15 days, rather than 30 days as