

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jill Stevenson or Liz Lauck, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910, telephone: (301) 713-2347, Fax: (301) 713-1917.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Longline AP was established under the authority of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.* The Longline AP will assist the Secretary of Commerce in preparing a study on the feasibility of implementing a comprehensive management system for the pelagic longline fishery for Atlantic HMS. The AP meeting is open to the public and will be attended by members of the AP, including appointed members, representatives of the five Fishery Management Councils that work with HMS, the Atlantic and Gulf states. The main agenda item for the longline AP will be a discussion of the draft report on the feasibility of implementing a comprehensive management system for the longline fishery.

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Jill Stevenson or Liz Lauck (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**) at least 7 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: November 24, 1997.

Gary C. Matlock,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 112497F]

Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) and its Demersal Species Committee meeting as a Council Committee of the Whole, together with the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission's (ASMFC) Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass Board; its Committee Chairmen, and its Executive Committee will hold a public meeting.

DATES: The meetings will be held on Tuesday, December 16, 1997 through

Thursday, December 18, 1997. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for specific dates and times.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at the Dunes Manor, 2800 Baltimore Avenue, Ocean City, MD; telephone: 1-800-523-2888.

Council address: Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 300 S. New Street, Dover, DE 19904; telephone: 302-674-2331.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David R. Keifer, Executive Director, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council; telephone: 302-674-2331.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On Tuesday, December 16, 1997, the Surfclam and Ocean Quahog Committee will meet from 10:00 a.m. until noon. The Demersal Species Committee, meeting as a Council Committee of the Whole together with the ASMFC Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass Board will meet from 1:00-4:00 p.m. The Council Committee chairmen will meet from 4:00-5:00 p.m. On Wednesday, December 17, 1997, the Demersal Species Committee, meeting as a Council Committee of the Whole with the ASMFC Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass Board will meet from 8:00 a.m. until noon. The Executive Committee will meet from noon until 1:00 p.m. The Council will meet from 1:00-5:00 p.m. On Thursday, December 18, 1997, the Council will meet from 8:00 a.m. until approximately 2:00 p.m.

The purpose of these meetings is as follows: possible Council adoption of Amendment 10 to the Surfclam and Ocean Quahog Fishery Management Plan (FMP) (Maine ocean quahog fishery); discuss the 1998 Council's work schedule; adopt recommended recreational measures for summer flounder, scup, and black sea bass; revise Election Policy in the Statement of Operating Practices and Procedures (SOPPs); and discuss Council action on final provisions and the possibility of additional hearings on the Monkfish FMP. The Council will also receive a presentation on the sea scallop stock assessment by the Northeast Fisheries Science Center and possibly comment on Amendment 7 to the Sea Scallop FMP; possibly comment on International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas proposed positions; and hear committee reports and other fishery management matters.

The above agenda items may not be taken in the order in which they appear and are subject to change as necessary; other items may be added. This meeting may also be closed at any time to

discuss employment or other internal administrative matters.

Although other issues not contained in this agenda may come before this Council for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, those issues may not be the subject of formal Council action during this meeting. Council 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 Joanna Davis at the Council (see **ADDRESSES**) at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: November 25, 1997.

Gary C. Matlock,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 112497G]

Pacific Fishery Management Council; Scheduled Teleconference

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

ACTION: Notice of scheduled teleconference.

SUMMARY: The Pacific Fishery Management Council's (Council) Budget Committee will hold a telephone conference call.

DATES: The conference call will be held on December 15, 1997, at 1:30 p.m. (Pacific Standard Time).

ADDRESSES: The telephone conference will originate from the Council office, 2130 SW Fifth Avenue, Suite 224, Portland, OR 97201.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Larry Six, Executive Director; telephone: (503) 326-6352.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the conference call is to adopt a budget for the operation of the Council during calendar year 1998. At its November 4-7, 1997 meeting, the Council instructed the Budget Committee to confer after the amount available to the Regional Fishery

Management Councils was determined by Congress and NMFS. The amount available to the Pacific Council should be known well in advance of the December 15 conference call.

Members of the public wishing to listen to this conference or desiring further information should contact Lawrence D. Six, Executive Director, Pacific Fishery Management Council, 2130 SW Fifth Avenue, Suite 224, Portland, OR 97201; telephone: (503) 326-6352.

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

Special Accommodations

The teleconference is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for auxiliary aids should be directed to Eric Greene at (503) 326-6352 at least 5 days prior to the teleconference date.

Dated: November 25, 1997.

Gary C. Matlock,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 112497B]

Marine Mammals; Scientific Research Permit No. 872-1397

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

ACTION: Issuance of permit.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Ann E. Bowles, Ph.D., Hubbs-Sea World Research Institute, 2595 Ingraham Street, San Diego, CA 92109, has been issued a permit for purposes of scientific research.

ADDRESSES: The permit and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following office(s):

Permits Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13130, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713-2289); and

Director, Southwest Region, NMFS, 501 West Ocean Blvd., Long Beach, CA 90802-4213 (562/980-4001).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On July 18, 1997, notice was published in the **Federal Register** (62 FR 38521) that a request for a scientific research permit to take (i.e., harass) up to 10 beached rehabilitated animals of each of three pinniped species annually: northern elephant seals (*Mirounga angustirostris*) Pacific harbor seals (*Phoca vitulina richardsi*), and California sea lions (*Zalophus californianus*) had been submitted by the above-named individual. The proposed research will be conducted over a 5-year period at Hubbs-Sea World Research Institute and Sea World, San Diego, California. The requested permit has been issued under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) and the regulations governing the taking and importing of marine mammals (50 CFR part 216).

Dated: November 25, 1997.

Ann D. Terbush,

*Chief, Permits and Documentation Division,
Office of Protected Resources, National
Marine Fisheries Service.*

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Announcement of Import Limits and Guaranteed Access Levels for Certain Cotton, Wool and Man-Made Fiber Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Costa Rica

November 24, 1997.

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

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs establishing limits and guaranteed access levels.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 1998.

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 or call (202) 927-5850. For information on embargoes and quota re-openings, call (202) 482-3715.

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 import restraint limits and Guaranteed Access Levels (GALs) for textile products, produced or manufactured in Costa Rica and exported during the period January 1, 1998 through December 31, 1998 are based on limits notified to the Textiles Monitoring Body pursuant to the Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (ATC).

In the letter published below, the Chairman of CITA directs the Commissioner of Customs to establish limits and guaranteed access levels for 1998.

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). Information regarding the 1998 CORRELATION will be published in the **Federal Register** at a later date.

Requirements for participation in the Special Access Program are available in **Federal Register** notices 51 FR 21208, published on June 11, 1986; 52 FR 26057, published on July 10, 1987; 54 FR 50425, published on December 6, 1989; 55 FR 21047, published on May 22, 1990, and 62 FR 49206, published on September 19, 1997.

Troy H. Cribb,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

November 24, 1997.

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 January 1, 1998, entry into the United States for consumption and withdrawal from warehouse for consumption of cotton, wool and man-made fiber textile products in the following categories, produced or manufactured in Costa Rica and exported during the twelve-month period beginning on January 1, 1998 and extending through December 31, 1998, in excess of the following restraint limits:

Category	Twelve-month limit
340/640	1,046,972 dozen.
342/642	386,496 dozen.
347/348	1,764,380 dozen.
443	215,128 numbers.