extensive coordination between sales and production that is required on "order by order" sales and enables Nishiyama to produce MCS during the non-peak season. Nishiyama contends that the "LOT 2" sales are made to small calendar manufacturers that do not provide estimates to Nishiyama, rather, Nishiyama produces MCS for these customers on an "order by order" basis. Nishiyama maintains that there is a shorter production lead time for this type of customer. Nishiyama also maintains that it has to make significant additional efforts to coordinate sales and production due to the shorter delivery schedules, smaller orders, and level of customization. Nishiyama claims that the U.S. sales more closely correspond to "LOT 1" because the U.S. customers place orders with longer lead times and do not require significant time for coordination with the customer.

In our original questionnaire and our supplemental questionnaire, we asked Nishiyama to provide a complete list of all the selling activities performed and services offered in the U.S. market and the home market for each claimed LOT. Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.412(c)(2), substantial differences in selling activities are a necessary condition for determining there is a difference in the stage of marketing. While Nishiyama claimed that there were some differences between these distribution channels, which it claimed constitute separate LOTs, we find that these differences are not differences in selling functions and do not create two LOTs. Information submitted by Nishiyama with respect to its claimed LOTs primarily focused on the differences in the lead times for the order, the size of the manufacturers making the orders, and the amount of coordination needed when dealing with large versus small manufacturers. Nishiyama did not submit any information on the specific selling activities and functions for each proposed LOT nor did it define the stages of marketing of each proposed LOT. Nishiyama has not demonstrated substantial differences in the selling activities in the U.S. market and home market. As such, Nishiyama has not adequately supported its claim that it has two LOTs in the home market and a different, separate LOT in the U.S. market, or that we should grant it an LOT adjustment.

Currency Conversions

We made currency conversions into U.S. dollars in accordance with section 773A of the Act based on exchange rates in effect on the dates of the U.S. sales, as obtained from the Federal Reserve Bank (the Department's preferred source for exchange rates).

Verification

In accordance with section 782(i) of the Act, we will verify the questionnaire responses of Nishiyama before making our final determination.

Suspension of Liquidation

In accordance with section 733(d)(2) of the Act, we are directing CBP to suspend liquidation of all entries of MCS from Japan that are entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of publication of this notice in the Federal Register. We are also instructing CBP to require a cash deposit or the posting of a bond equal to the weighted—average dumping margins as indicated in the chart below. These instructions suspending liquidation will remain in effect until further notice.

The weighted—average dumping margins are as follows:

Producer/Exporter	Weighted-Average Margin (Percentage)
Nishiyama Kinzoku Co., Ltd All Others	7.68% 7.68%

Disclosure

In accordance with 19 CFR 351.224(b), the Department will disclose to interested parties, the calculations performed in this preliminary determination within five days of the date of the public announcement.

Public Comment

Interested parties are invited to comment on the preliminary determination. Interested parties may submit case briefs either 50 days after the date of publication of this notice or ten days after the issuance of the verification reports, whichever is later. See 19 CFR 351.309(c)(1)(I). Rebuttal briefs, the content of which is limited to the issues raised in the case briefs, must be filed within five days after the deadline for the submission of case briefs. See 19 CFR 351.309(d). A list of authorities used, a table of contents, and an executive summary of issues should accompany any briefs submitted to the Department. Executive summaries should be limited to five pages total, including footnotes.

In accordance with section 774 of the Act, we will hold a public hearing, if requested, to afford interested parties an opportunity to comment on arguments raised in case or rebuttal briefs. If a request for a hearing is made, we will tentatively hold the hearing two days

after the deadline for submission of rebuttal briefs at the U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230, at a time and in a room to be determined. Parties should confirm by telephone the date, time, and location of the hearing 48 hours before the scheduled date.

Interested parties who wish to request a hearing, or to participate in a hearing if one is requested, must submit a written request to the Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Room 1870, within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice. Requests should contain: (1) The party's name, address, and telephone number; (2) the number of participants; and (3) a list of the issues to be discussed. At the hearing, oral presentations will be limited to issues raised in the briefs. See 19 CFR 351.310(c). Unless the Department receives a request for a postponement pursuant to section 735(a)(2) of the Act, the Department will make its final determination no later than 75 days after the date of this preliminary determination. See section 735(a)(1) of the Act.

International Trade Commission Notification

In accordance with section 733(f) of the Act, we have notified the ITC of the Department's preliminary affirmative determination. If the final determination in this proceeding is affirmative, the ITC will determine before the later of 120 days after the date of this preliminary determination or 45 days after the final determination whether imports of MCS from Japan are materially injuring, or threatening material injury to, the U.S. industry. See section 735(b)(2) of the

This determination is issued and published pursuant to sections 733(f) and 777(i)(1) of the Act.

Dated: January 25, 2006.

David M. Spooner,

Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Tortugas Access Permits

AGENCY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), DOC.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before April 3, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dHynek@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to David Bizot, 301–713–7268 or David.Bizot@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

In order to gain access to the Tortugas ecological reserve, persons must obtain a permit. The permit holders must notify NOAA by radio no less than 30 minutes and no more than 6 hours before entering the reserve, and when leaving it. Permit actions may be appealed.

The purpose of the access permit and notifications are to (1) protect this unique deepwater coral reef and (2) facilitate the enforcement of the no-take regulations in this remote area. The overall intended effect of this collection is to protect the deepwater coral reef community in this area from being degraded by human activities.

II. Method of Collection

Applications and notifications are made by phone. Appeals must be in writing.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0648–0418. *Form Number:* None.

Type of Review: Regular submission. Affected Public: Businesses and other for-profit organizations; individuals or households; not-for-profit institutions; State, Local, or Tribal Government.

Estimated Number of Respondents:

Estimated Time Per Response: 10 minutes for an application; 2 minutes for a radio call; and 90 minutes for an appeal.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 12.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$127.

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: January 26, 2006.

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Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

[I.D. 012506B]

Marine Fisheries Advisory Committee; Public Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice of open public meetings.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of meetings of the Marine Fisheries Advisory Committee (MAFAC). This will be the first of two meetings held in fiscal year 2006 to review and advise NOAA on management policies for living marine resources. Agenda topics are provided under the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section of this notice. All sessions will be open to the public.

DATES: The meetings will be held February 14–15, 2006, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and February 16, 2006, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at the International Game Fish Association, 300 Gulf Stream Way, Dania Beach, FL 33004. Requests for special accommodations may be directed to MAFAC, Office of Constituent Services, National Marine Fisheries Service, 1315 East-West Highway #9508, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Laurel Bryant, MAFAC Executive Director; telephone: (301) 713–2379 x171.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: As required by section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2, notice is hereby given of meetings of MAFAC. MAFAC was established by the Secretary of Commerce (Secretary) on February 17, 1971, to advise the Secretary on all living marine resource matters that are the responsibility of the Department of Commerce. This committee advises and reviews the adequacy of living marine resource policies and programs to meet the needs of commercial and recreational fisheries, and environmental, state, consumer, academic, tribal, governmental and other national interests.

Matters to be Considered

February 14, 2006

The meeting will begin with remarks from Roy Crabtree, Southeast Regional Administrator for NMFS, and William T. Hogarth, Assistant Administrator for Fisheries. Next, the committee will receive an update on offshore aquaculture. There will also be a discussion of NMFS' role in seafood health and safety issues. The afternoon will include updates on international affairs and hurricane impacts and recovery in the Gulf of Mexico.

February 15, 2006

In the morning, the committee will be given an update on the status of litigation and briefed on Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act reauthorization. There will also be a discussion of overfishing. In the afternoon, the committee will discuss recreational fishing issues. Discussions on recreational fishing and seafood health may continue in two separate breakout groups.

February 16, 2006

The committee will reconvene to receive and discuss any breakout group reports. The rest of the morning will be devoted to administrative issues, such as the assignment of new members to subcommittees, determining the dates and locations of future meetings, and identifying follow-up assignments.