

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

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Fisheries in the Western Pacific; Western Pacific Pelagic Fisheries; American Samoa Longline Limited Entry Program

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

ACTION: Notice; availability of permit upgrades.

SUMMARY: NMFS is soliciting applications for American Samoa longline limited entry permit upgrades. Nineteen (19) permit upgrades will be available in 2008 for Class A vessel (i.e., less than or equal to 40 ft, or 12.2 m, in length) permit holders to upgrade to larger vessel size classes. The permit upgrades are available only to Class A permit holders who participated in the fishery before March 22, 2002, and the highest priority for receiving a permit upgrade will be given to the person with the earliest date of documented participation.

DATES: Completed applications for permit upgrades must be received by NMFS by June 30, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Send completed applications to NMFS Pacific Islands Region (PIR), ATTN: ASLE Permit Upgrade, 1601 Kapiolani Blvd., Suite 1110, Honolulu, HI 96814–4700.

Application forms are available from NMFS Pacific Islands Region, ATTN: Permits, 1601 Kapiolani Blvd., Suite 1110, Honolulu, HI 96814–4700, or the Pacific Islands Region website at www.fpir.noaa.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Walter Ikehara, NMFS PIR, Tel 808–944–2275, Fax 808–973–2941, or e-mail Walter.Ikehara@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On May 25, 2005, NMFS published a final rule (70 FR 29646) that established a limited entry program for the pelagic longline fishery based in American Samoa, under Amendment 11 to the Fishery Management Plan for Pelagic Fisheries in the Western Pacific Region. American Samoa longline limited entry permits were established for four vessel size classes, based on length:

- Class A: less than or equal to 40 ft (12.2 m);
- Class B and B–1: over 40 ft (12.2 m) to 50 ft (15.2 m) inclusive;
- Class C and C–1: over 50 ft (15.2 m) to 70 ft (21.3 m) inclusive; and

- Class D and D–1: over 70 ft (21.3 m).

The limited entry program allows for 26 permit upgrades to be made available for the exclusive use of permit holders in Class A, distributed over a four-year period following the issuance of initial limited entry permits. In 2008, 19 permit upgrades will be available (11 in Class B–1, six in Class C–1, and two in Class D–1). The Regional Administrator may initially issue permit upgrades only to persons who hold Class A permits and who participated in the American Samoa pelagic longline fishery before March 22, 2002. The highest priority will be given to those with the earliest date of documented participation. Those receiving upgraded permits must surrender their Class A permits and the surrendered permits are deducted from the allowed Class A permit total.

This notice announces the availability of permit upgrades and solicits applications for the upgrades. Complete applications must include the completed and signed application form (available from NMFS PIR, see **ADDRESSES**), legible copies of documents supporting historical participation in the American Samoa pelagic longline fishery, and payment for the non-refundable application processing fee. Documents supporting participation should show that fishing was conducted using longline gear. Applications must be received by NMFS by June 30, 2008 to be considered for eligibility for the 2008 permit upgrades.

Authoritative additional information on the American Samoa limited entry program may be found in Title 50 of the Code of Federal Regulations, part 665.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

Dated: April 23, 2008.

Emily H. Menashes,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

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Endangered Species; File No. 10022

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

ACTION: Issuance of permit.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Raymond Carthy, Department of

Wildlife Ecology and Conservation, University of Florida, P.O. Box 110485, Gainesville, Florida 32611–0450, has been issued a permit to take loggerhead (*Caretta caretta*), green (*Chelonia mydas*), and Kemp's ridley (*Lepidochelys kempii*) sea turtles 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, 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)427–2521;

Southeast Region, NMFS, 263 13th Ave South, St. Petersburg, FL 33701; phone (727)824–5312; fax (727)824–5309.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Patrick Opay or Amy Hapeman, (301)713–2289.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On November 26, 2007, notice was published in the **Federal Register** (72 FR 65940) that a request for a scientific research permit to take 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).

Researchers will determine the significance of Florida's northwest coastal bays to sea turtle development. Researchers will assess sea turtle population abundance and composition, determine size classes, evaluate growth, identify seasonal movements, define overwintering behaviors, and investigate developmental migration. The permit authorizes the researchers to conduct research off the northwest coast of Florida for 5 years. Researchers will capture up to 40 loggerhead, 600 green, and 110 Kemp's ridley sea turtles using strike-net or set-net capture techniques. Animals will be weighed, measured, photographed, skin biopsied, flipper and Passive Integrated Transponder tagged, and released.

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 such endangered or threatened species, and (3) is consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

Dated: April 23, 2008.

P. Michael Payne,

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

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COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS

Notice of Meeting

The next meeting of the U.S. Commission of Fine Arts is scheduled for 15 May 2008, at 10 a.m. in the Commission's offices at the National Building Museum, Suite 312, Judiciary Square, 401 F Street, NW., Washington, DC 20001-2728. Items of discussion may include buildings, parks and memorials.

Draft agendas and additional information regarding the Commission are available on our Web site: <http://www.cfa.gov>. Inquiries regarding the agenda and requests to submit written or oral statements should be addressed to Thomas Luebke, Secretary, U.S. Commission of Fine Arts, at the above address, or call 202-504-2200. Individuals requiring sign language interpretation for the hearing impaired should contact the Secretary at least 10 days before the meeting date.

Dated in Washington, DC, 21 April 2008.

Thomas Luebke,
Secretary.

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Determination of the Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements to Apply a Textile Safeguard Measure on Imports of Certain Cotton Socks from Honduras

April 23, 2008.

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

ACTION: Notice.

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 29, 2008.

SUMMARY: The Committee has determined to apply a textile safeguard measure on imports of Honduran origin cotton socks classifiable under subheading 9115.95 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States ("HTSUS").

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Sergio Botero, Office of Textiles and

Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-3400.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: Title III, Subtitle B, Section 321 through Section 328 of the Dominican Republic-Central America-United States Free Trade Agreement ("CAFTA-DR" or the "Agreement") Implementation Act; Proclamation 7987 of February 28, 2006, paragraph (6); Proclamation 8228 of March 28, 2008, paragraph (4); Article 3.23 of the Agreement.

Notice: On April 25, 2008, the Committee determined to apply a textile safeguard measure on imports of certain cotton socks of Honduras. The relief provided by the safeguard measure applies to imports entering, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption during the period July 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008.

BACKGROUND:

On August 21, 2007, the Committee initiated a safeguard proceeding to determine whether imports of Honduran cotton, wool, and man-made fiber socks (merged Category 332/432 and 632 part) are causing serious damage, or actual threat thereof, to the U.S. industry producing socks, (72 FR 46611, August 21, 2007). The initiation of the safeguard proceeding commenced a 30-day period during which interested parties and stakeholders were invited to submit comments. Based on the comments received and information available to the Committee, the Committee determined that imports of Honduran origin cotton socks (Category 332) were causing serious damage, or actual threat thereof, and therefore, the Committee intended to apply a textile safeguard measure with respect to such goods. In accordance with section 4 of the Committee's Procedures for considering action under the CAFTA-DR textile and apparel safeguard, (71 FR 25157, April 28, 2006), on January 18, 2008, the United States provided written notice to the Government of Honduras indicating its intent to apply a textile safeguard measure on imports of Honduran origin cotton socks (73 FR 4542, January 25, 2008). The Committee noted that it was not at that time making a determination regarding whether to apply a safeguard measure with respect to wool and man-made fiber socks (Categories 432 and 632 Part, respectively), that were part of the original safeguards inquiry.

In accordance with Article 3.23.4 of the Agreement, following receipt of written notice by the United States of its intent to apply a safeguard measure, the Government of Honduras requested consultations. Consultations between the Governments of Honduras and the United States were held for 60 days, and

by agreement of the Parties, were continued for an additional 30 day period.

The Committee has determined, pursuant to section 322(a) of the CAFTA-DR Implementation Act, that cotton socks of Honduras classifiable in subheading 6115.95 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTS) are being imported into the United States in such increased quantities and under such conditions as to cause serious damage to the domestic industry producing like or directly competitive cotton socks. The Committee has further decided, pursuant to section 322(b) of the CAFTA-DR Implementation Act, to provide relief from the imports that are the subject of this determination, in the form of a duty in the amount of 5 percent ad valorem to all CAFTA-DR originating cotton socks of Honduras classifiable in subheading 6115.95 of the HTSUS that are entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption during the period July 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008. The 5 percent ad valorem duty shall be applicable on the full value of the entered goods, regardless of the value of any United States content of such goods.

The Committee further notes that, in the course of consultations, the Government of Honduras agreed that it will not seek compensation or take any tariff action under Article 3.23.6 of the Agreement with respect to this safeguard measure.

The Committee has determined that the actions described above will remedy the serious damage and facilitate efforts by the domestic industry to make a positive adjustment to import competition. As provided in paragraph (5) of Proclamation 8228 of March 28, 2008, the United States Trade Representative will modify the HTS to reflect this determination.

R. Matthew Priest,

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

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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

[CPSC Docket No. 08-C0010]

DollarDays International, LLC, Provisional Acceptance of a Settlement Agreement and Order

AGENCY: Consumer Product Safety Commission.

ACTION: Notice.