

compared each respondent's export volume for the three to six months subsequent to and including the filing of the petition (depending on the available data) to that during the comparable period prior to the filing of the petition. Based on our analysis, we preliminarily find that the increase in imports of the subject merchandise from each of these respondents increased by more than 15 percent over a relatively short period. Moreover, regarding IDC, as facts available, we are making the adverse assumption that imports have been massive over a relatively short period of time in accordance with section 733(e)(1)(B) of the Act.

Therefore, because there is a history of dumping of such or similar merchandise, and because we find that imports of rebar from all respondents have been massive over a relatively short period of time, we preliminarily determine that there is a reasonable basis to believe or suspect that critical circumstances exist with respect to exports of rebar from Turkey by Colakoglu, Ekinciler, Habas, IDC, and Metas.

Regarding all other exporters, because we find that critical circumstances exist for all investigated companies, we also determine that critical circumstances exist for companies covered by the "All Others" rate.

We will make a final determination concerning critical circumstances when we make our final determination of sales at less than fair value in this investigation.

Verification

As provided in section 782(i) of the Act, we will verify all information determined to be acceptable for use in making our final determination.

Suspension of Liquidation

In accordance with section 733(e)(2) of the Act, we are directing the U.S. Customs Service to suspend liquidation of all entries into the United States of rebar from Turkey, as defined in the "Scope of Investigation" section of this notice, that are entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date which is 90 days prior to the date of publication of this notice in the Federal Register. The Customs Service shall require a cash deposit or posting of a bond equal to the estimated margin amount by which the normal value of the subject merchandise exceeds the United States Price as shown below. The suspension of liquidation will remain in effect until further notice.

Exporter/Manufacturer	Weighted-average margin percentage	Critical circumstances
Colakoglu	10.32	Yes.
Ekinciler	19.68	Yes.
Habas	16.78	Yes.
IDC	41.80	Yes.
Metas	30.22	Yes.
All Others	15.94	Yes.

ITC Notification

In accordance with section 733(f) of the Act, we have notified the ITC of our determination. If our final determination is affirmative, the ITC will determine before the later of 120 days after the date of this preliminary determination or 45 days after our final determination whether these imports are materially injuring, or threaten material injury to, the U.S. industry.

Public Comment

In accordance with 19 CFR § 353.38, case briefs or other written comments in at least ten copies must be submitted to the Assistant Secretary for Import Administration no later than January 6, 1997, and rebuttal briefs, no later than January 13, 1997. A list of authorities used and an executive summary of issues should accompany any briefs submitted to the Department. Such summary should be limited to five pages total, including footnotes. In accordance with 19 CFR § 353.38, we will hold a public hearing, if requested, to afford interested parties an opportunity to comment on arguments raised in case or rebuttal briefs. Tentatively, the hearing will be held on January 16, 1997, time and place to be determined, at the U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20230. Parties should confirm by telephone the time, date, and place of the hearing 48 hours before the scheduled date.

Interested parties who wish to request a hearing, or to participate if one is requested, must submit a written request to the Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Room B-099, within ten days of the 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. In accordance with 19 CFR § 353.38(b), oral presentations will be limited to issues raised in the briefs. If this investigation proceeds normally, we will make our final determination by no

later than 135 days after the publication of this notice in the Federal Register. This determination is published pursuant to section 733(f) of the Act.

Dated: October 4, 1996.

Robert S. LaRussa,
Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Groundfish Tagging Program

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request.

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, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before December 9, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Acting Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington DC 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Patsy A. Bearden, National Marine Fisheries Service, Alaska Region, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, Alaska 99802, telephone number 907-586-7228.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The groundfish tagging program provides scientists with information necessary for effective conservation, management, and scientific understanding of the groundfish fishery off Alaska and the Northwest Pacific. The program area includes the Pacific Ocean off Alaska (the Gulf of Alaska, the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Area, the Alexander Archipelago of Southeast Alaska), California, Oregon, and Washington. Population dynamics, non-linear optimization, likelihood function, and stock reduction analyses are used to estimate recruitment parameters and to assess stock sizes.

II. Method of Collection

This is a volunteer program requiring the actual tag from the fish to be returned, along with recovery information. All tags will be returned by fishermen to NMFS, via U.S. government mail, in self-addressed envelopes. These tags will be edited and entered into the computer data base. Each person returning a tag will receive information on the release site, growth, depth and area changes, and a reward.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0648-0276
Form Number: n/a
Type of Review: Regular Submission
Affected Public: Individuals, State and Local Governments
Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,000
Estimated Time Per Response: 5 minutes
Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 299
Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$0

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: October 1, 1996.

Linda Engelmeier,

Acting Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.

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North Pacific Fishery Management Council; Committee Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of committee meeting.

SUMMARY: The North Pacific Fishery Management Council's Industry Implementation Team for the sablefish and halibut individual fishing quota (IFQ) fisheries will meet on October 17-18, 1996. The meeting will begin at 1:00 p.m. on October 17, and continue through October 18.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in Room G-45 of the Old Federal Building, 605 W. 4th Avenue, Anchorage, AK.

Council address: North Pacific Fishery Management Council, 605 W. 4th Ave., Suite 306, Anchorage, AK 99501-2252.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jane DiCosimo; telephone: (907) 271-2809.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The agenda for the meeting will include the following subjects:

1. Review of IFQ amendment proposals.
2. Review of current IFQ amendments.
3. Review of reports on the first full year of the IFQ program.

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Helen Allen, 907-271-2809, at least 5 working days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: October 4, 1996.

Bruce Morehead,

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

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Western Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice of revision.

SUMMARY: A public meeting of the Western Pacific Fishery Management Council's Crustacean Plan Team which is scheduled for October 21, 1996, was published in the Federal Register on September 23, 1996. The following change is made to the SUMMARY. All other information originally published remains unchanged.

Revision:

Under "SUMMARY" at 61 FR 49734 in the original notice, change to read:
The Western Pacific Fishery Management Council will hold a

meeting of its Crustacean Plan Team and Hawaii Advisory Panel.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kitty M. Simonds, Executive Director, telephone: (808) 522-8220.

Dated: October 4, 1996.

Bruce Morehead,

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

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Marine Mammals; Permit No. 898 (P772#65)

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

ACTION: Issuance of amendment.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that on September 12, 1996 permit no. 898, issued to The National Marine Fisheries Service, Southwest Fisheries Science Center, La Jolla, CA 92038, was amended.

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

Permits Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service, 1315 East-West Highway, Suite 13130 Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713-2289);

Director, Southwest Region, National Marine Fisheries Service, 501 West Ocean Boulevard, Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802-4213 (310/980-4001); and

Coordinator, Pacific Area Office, Southwest Region, National Marine Fisheries Service, 2570 Dole Street, Room 106, Honolulu, HI 96822-2396 (808/973-2987).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject amendment has been issued under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), the provisions of § 216.39 of the regulations governing the taking and importing of marine mammals (50 CFR Part 216), the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), and the provisions of § 222.25 of the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered fish and wildlife (50 CFR Part 222).

The permittee is authorized to capture, restrain, sedate, and instrument up to 25 adult and subadult Hawaiian monk seals. Twelve of these animals (either adult or subadult males) may be instrumented with portable camcorders.