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 W. Dawn Busby,
 Director, Office of Export Trading Company
 Affairs.
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National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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ICCAT Advisory Committee; Public Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: The Advisory Committee to the U.S. Section to the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT) and the Highly Migratory Species Management Division of National Marine Fisheries Service announces the schedule of regional public meetings to be held this fall.

DATES: See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for specific dates and times of the hearings.

ADDRESSES: See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for locations of the meetings.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kim Blankenbeker, (301) 713-2276.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meetings are scheduled as follows:

1. Monday, September 16, 1996, 6 to 10 p.m.—West Palm Beach Omni Hotel, 1601 Belvedere Road, West Palm Beach, FL 33406;
2. Tuesday, September 17, 1996, 6 to 10 p.m.—Quality Inn Midtown, 3900 Tulane Avenue, New Orleans, LA 70119;
3. Friday, October 18, 1996, 6 to 10 p.m.—World Trade Center, 164 Northern Avenue, Boston, MA 02210;
4. Saturday, October 19, 1996, 7 to 10 p.m.—Suffolk Community College, Shinnecock Building, Room S-101, Speonk/Riverhead Road, Riverhead, NY 11901;
5. Monday, October 21, 1996, 6 to 10 p.m.—Quality Inn Lake Wright Convention Center, 6280 Northampton Boulevard, Norfolk, VA 23502;
6. Tuesday, October 22, 1996, 6 to 10 p.m.—Belmar Municipal Courtroom, 601 Main Street, Belmar, NJ 07719; and
7. The annual ICCAT Advisory Committee Meeting will be held in Silver Spring, MD, November 6-8, 1996. There will be an additional opportunity for public comment on international issues on Wednesday, November 6 from

2-6 p.m. at NOAA Building 2, Room 2358, 1325 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

The following topics may be discussed:

International Issues:

- (1) Background on ICCAT
- (2) Information on the Advisory Committee and Commissioners
- (3) Status of Highly Migratory Species Managed by ICCAT
- (4) Topics for the 1996 ICCAT Annual Meeting

Domestic Issues:

- (1) Upcoming Highly Migratory Species Rulemaking Actions
 - (2) Regional Concerns/Issues
- The meetings may be lengthened or shortened based on the progress of the discussions. The first half of each meeting will be dedicated to international issues, followed by domestic issues. Representatives from the U.S. ICCAT Advisory Committee and NMFS will be in attendance. For each issue, there will be an opportunity for public comment. The meeting locations are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Kim Blankenbeker at (301) 713-2347 at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: September 10, 1996.
 Richard W. Surdi,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

[I.D. 083096A]

Marine Mammals; Scientific Research Permit (P617)

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce; and Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS), Interior.

ACTION: Receipt of application.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Dr. Madonna L. Moss, 1218 Department of Anthropology, University of Oregon, Eugene, OR 97403-1218, has applied in due form for a permit to take marine mammals for purposes of scientific research.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before October 17, 1996.

ADDRESSES: The application and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment (see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for locations).

Written data or views, or requests for a public hearing on this request, should be submitted to the Director, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13130, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Those individuals requesting a hearing should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this particular request would be appropriate.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the Federal Register, NMFS is forwarding copies of this application to the Marine Mammal Commission and its Committee of Scientific Advisors.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject permit is requested under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), 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.*), the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered fish and wildlife (50 CFR part 222) and the Fur Seal Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1151 *et seq.*).

The applicant requests a permit to salvage carcasses to be processed to obtain osteological specimens (bones and teeth) for the comparative collection of animal bones in the Department of Anthropology. Samples from the following species will be obtained from beached/stranded animals or carcasses left behind by Native Alaskan subsistence hunters: Harbor porpoise (*Phocoena phocoena*), Dall's porpoise (*Phocoenoides dalli*), Walrus (*Odobenus rosmarus*), Guadelupe fur seal (*Arctocephalus townsendi*), Northern fur seal (*Callorhinus ursinus*), Steller sea lion (*Eumetopias jubatus*), California sea lion (*Zalophus californianus*), Bearded seal (*Erignathus barbatus*), Northern elephant seal (*Mirounga angustirostris*), Ribbon seal (*Phoca fasciata*), Ringed seal (*Phoca hispida*), Larga (spotted) seal (*Phoca largha*), Harbor seal (*Phoca vitulina*) and Sea otter (*Enhydra lutris*). Specimens will be salvaged from carcasses in the Alexander Archipelago of southeast Alaska, Nunivak Island, Alaska, the coast of Oregon, and the California Channel Islands. The application and related documents may be reviewed at the following locations:

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

Director, NMFS, Alaska Region, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802-1668 (907/586-7221);

Director, NMFS, Northwest Region, 7600 Sand Point Way, NE, BIN C15700, Bldg. 1, Seattle, WA 98115-0070 (206/526-6150); and

Director, NMFS, Southwest Region, 501 West Ocean Blvd., Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802-4213 (310/980-4001).

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Management Authority, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Room 432, Arlington, VA 22203 (1-800/358-2104).

Dated: September 9, 1996.

Ann D. Terbush,
Chief, Permits and Documentation Division,
Office of Protected Resources, National
Marine Fisheries Service.

Dated: September 9, 1996.

Margaret Tieger,
Chief, Branch of Permits, Office of
Management Authority, U.S. Fish and
Wildlife Service.

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**COMMITTEE FOR THE
IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE
AGREEMENTS**

**Establishment of Import Limits for
Certain Wool Textile Products
Produced or Manufactured in the
Former Yugoslav Republic of
Macedonia**

September 11, 1996.

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

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

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Naomi Freeman, 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).

In a Memorandum of Understanding
(MOU) dated August 1, 1996, effected
by exchange of notes dated August 6,
1996, the Governments of the United

States and the Former Yugoslav
Republic of Macedonia agree to
establish limits for wool textile products
in Categories 433, 434, 435, 443 and
448, produced or manufactured in the
Former Yugoslav Republic of
Macedonia and exported during the
period October 1, 1996 through
December 31, 2000. The terms of the
agreement shall be October 1, 1996
through December 31, 1997; January 1,
1998 through December 31, 1998;
January 1, 1999 through December 31,
1999; January 1, 2000 through December
31, 2000.

In the letter published below, the
Chairman of CITA directs the
Commissioner of Customs to cancel the
current limit for Category 434 and
establish limits for Categories 433, 434,
435, 443 and 448 for the first agreement
period.

These limits may be subject to
revision pursuant to the Uruguay Round
Agreements Act and the Uruguay Round
Agreement on Textiles and Clothing on
the date that the Former Yugoslav
Republic of Macedonia becomes a
member of the World Trade
Organization.

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 60 FR 65299,
published on December 19, 1995). Also
see 61 FR 26165, published on May 24,
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 MOU, but are
designed to assist only in the
implementation of certain of its
provisions.

Troy H. Cribb,
Chairman, Committee for the Implementation
of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile
Agreements
September 11, 1996.
Commissioner of Customs,
Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC
20229.

Dear Commissioner: This directive cancels
the directive issued to you on May 21, 1996,
by the Chairman, Committee for the
Implementation of Textile Agreements. That
directive concerns imports of wool textile
products in Category 434, produced or
manufactured in the Former Yugoslav
Republic of Macedonia and exported during
the twelve-month period which began on
May 26, 1996 and extends through May 25,
1997.

Under the terms of section 204 of the
Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7

U.S.C. 1854); the Memorandum of
Understanding dated August 1, 1996, effected
by exchange of notes dated August 6, 1996,
between the Governments of the United
States and the Former Yugoslav Republic of
Macedonia; and in accordance with the
provisions of Executive Order 11651 of
March 3, 1972, as amended, you are directed
to prohibit, effective on October 1, 1996,
entry into the United States for consumption
and withdrawal from warehouse for
consumption of wool textile products in the
following categories, produced or
manufactured in the Former Yugoslav
Republic of Macedonia and exported during
the period beginning on October 1, 1996 and
extending through December 31, 1997, in
excess of the following levels of restraint:

| Category | Fifteen-month limit |
|-----------|---------------------|
| 433 | 25,000 dozen. |
| 434 | 12,500 dozen. |
| 435 | 33,469 dozen. |
| 443 | 206,250 numbers. |
| 448 | 75,000 dozen. |

Textile products in the aforementioned
categories which have been exported to the
United States prior to October 1, 1996 shall
not be subject to this directive.

Textile products in the aforementioned
categories which have been released from the
custody of the U.S. Customs Service under
the provisions of 19 U.S.C. 1448(b) or
1484(a)(1) prior to the effective date of this
directive shall not be denied entry under this
directive.

Should the Former Yugoslav Republic of
Macedonia become a member of the World
Trade Organization, the limits set forth above
may be subject to revision pursuant to the
Uruguay Round Agreements Act and the
Uruguay Round Agreement on Textiles and
Clothing.

In carrying out the above directions, the
Commissioner of Customs should construe
entry into the United States for consumption
to include entry for consumption into the
Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

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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**Adjustment of an Import Limit for
Certain Wool Textile Products
Produced or Manufactured in Ukraine**

September 11, 1996.

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

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the
Commissioner of Customs increasing a
limit.