

evidence of changed circumstances to warrant a reexamination of this program.

## 2. Free Trade Zones (FTZs)

In 1997, the GOK announced its intention of establishing FTZs in the ports of Pusan and Kwangyang. Petitioners allege that special concessions, such as various tax and customs incentives, apply only to companies in GOK-designated FTZs thereby bestowing regionally specific subsidies on companies located in these zones. However, petitioners point out, neither Inchon nor Kangwon is located in the ports scheduled to be designated as FTZs by the GOK. Moreover, petitioners do not provide any evidence in support of their contention that the GOK may have expanded the FTZ program to include ports where Inchon and Kangwon have operations. Therefore, we are not initiating an investigation of this program.

## Distribution of Copies of the Petitions

In accordance with section 702(b)(4)(A)(i) of the Act, copies of the public version of the petition have been provided to the representatives of Korea. We will attempt to provide copies of the public version of the petition to all the exporters named in the petition, as provided for under section 351.203(c)(2) of the Department's regulations.

## ITC Notification

Pursuant to section 702(d) of the Act, we have notified the ITC of this initiation.

## Preliminary Determination by the ITC

The ITC will determine by August 23, 1999, whether there is a reasonable indication that an industry in the United States is materially injured, or is threatened with material injury, by reason of imports of structural steel beams from Korea. A negative ITC determination will result in the investigation being terminated; otherwise, the investigation will proceed according to statutory and regulatory time limits.

This notice is published pursuant to section 777(i) of the Act.

Dated: July 27, 1999.

**Robert S. LaRussa,**

*Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

#### Arizona Science Center, Notice of Disposition of Application for Duty-Free Entry of Scientific Instrument

We have been advised that the entry covered by Docket Number 96-105 (see notice at 61 FR 55972, October 30, 1996) was liquidated on August 14, 1998. We are treating the docket as a withdrawal pursuant to Sec. 301.5(g) of the regulations and have discontinued processing.

**Frank W. Creel,**

*Director, Statutory Import Programs Staff.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### International Trade Administration

#### Application for Duty-Free Entry of Scientific Instrument

Pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Educational, Scientific and Cultural Materials Importation Act of 1966 (Pub. L. 89-651; 80 Stat. 897; 15 CFR part 301), we invite comments on the question of an instrument of equivalent scientific value, for the purposes for which the instrument shown below is intended to be used, is being manufactured in the United States.

Comments must comply with 15 CFR 301.5(a) (3) and (4) of the regulations and be filed within 20 days with the Statutory Import Programs Staff, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230. Application may be examined between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. in Room 4211, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC.

**Docket Number:** 99-019. **Applicant:** National Institutes of Health, National Institute of Allergy & Infectious Diseases, Rocky Mountain Laboratories, 903 South 4th Street, Hamilton, MT 59840. **Instrument:** Electron Microscope, Model H-7500. **Manufacturer:** Nissei Sangyo Ltd., Japan. **Intended Use:** The instrument is intended to be used for studies of infectious agents of humans and animals, and cells and tissues affected by such agents. These studies will be conducted using standardized and customized preparative and microscopic procedures for high magnification and high resolution visual examination of biomedical samples.

Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: July 15, 1999.

**Frank W. Creel,**

*Director, Statutory Import Programs Staff.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 072799F]

#### New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice of a public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) is scheduling a public meeting of its Groundfish Oversight Committee and Groundfish Advisory Panel.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on August 25, 1999, at 9:30 a.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Sheraton Colonial, 1 Audobon Road, Wakefield, MA 01960; telephone: (781) 245-9300.

**Council address:** New England Fishery Management Council, 5 Broadway, Saugus, MA 01906-1097; telephone: (781) 231-0422.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Paul J. Howard, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; (781) 231-0422.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of this meeting is to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ). Recommendations from these groups will be brought to the full Council for formal consideration and action, if appropriate.

The committee and panel will finalize alternatives for a framework adjustment to the Northeast Multispecies Fishery Management Plan (FMP) to implement mid-season adjustments to the management program for the Gulf of Maine cod fishery that could also carry forward to the 2000-01 fishing year. The framework action will also modify the Georges Bank cod trip limit adjustment mechanism (pending NMFS approval of Framework 30 to the FMP). The Council will hold the initial meeting for this framework adjustment on August 10-11, 1999, when it will identify alternatives for this action. It will hold the final meeting, to select measures for submission to the Secretary of

Commerce, on September 21–23, 1999. The committee and panel will also review the timeline for Amendment 13 to the FMP and outline specific management proposals for a stock-rebuilding program, including but not limited to days-at-sea management, gear reductions and area management. The meeting agenda may also include a review of the technical responses to questions raised by the committee at its June 17 meeting about the scientific basis for the current cod stock boundary delimitation.

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 action during this meeting. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this notice.

#### Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Paul J. Howard (see ADDRESSES) at least 5 days prior to the meeting dates.

Dated: July 28, 1999.

**Bruce C. Morehead,**

*Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.*  
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#### COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

##### Increase of Guaranteed Access Levels for Certain Cotton and Man-Made Fiber Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Jamaica

July 27, 1999.

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

**ACTION:** Issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs increasing guaranteed access levels.

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** August 3, 1999.

**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, call (202) 927–5850, or refer to the U.S. Customs website at <http://www.customs.ustreas.gov>. 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.

At the request of the Government of Jamaica, the U.S. Government has agreed to increase the current guaranteed access levels for textile products in Categories 338/339/638/639 and 352/652.

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 63 FR 71096, published on December 23, 1998). Also see 63 FR 60305, published on November 9, 1998.

**Troy H. Cribb,**

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

#### Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

July 27, 1999.

Commissioner of Customs,  
*Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20229.*

Dear Commissioner: This directive amends, but does not cancel, the directive issued to you on November 3, 1998, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. That directive concerns imports of certain cotton, wool and man-made fiber textile products, produced or manufactured in Jamaica and exported during the twelve-month period which began on January 1, 1999 and extends through December 31, 1999.

Effective on August 3, 1999, you are directed to increase the guaranteed access levels for the categories listed below for the period beginning on January 1, 1999 and extending through December 31, 1999.

Category	Guaranteed access level
338/339/638/639 .....	2,500,000 dozen.
352/652 .....	11,500,000 dozen.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that these actions fall within the foreign affairs exception of 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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#### COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

##### Adjustment of Import Limits for Certain Cotton, Wool, Man-Made Fiber, Silk Blend and Other Vegetable Fiber Textiles and Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Mauritius

July 27, 1999.

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

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

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** August 3, 1999.

**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, call (202) 927–5850, or refer to the U.S. Customs website at <http://www.customs.ustreas.gov>. 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 current limits for certain categories are being adjusted for swing and special shift.

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 63 FR 71096, published on December 23, 1998). Also see 63 FR 60306, published on November 9, 1998.

**Troy H. Cribb,**

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

#### Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

July 27, 1999.

Commissioner of Customs,  
*Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20229.*

Dear Commissioner: This directive amends, but does not cancel, the directive issued to you on November 3, 1998, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements. That directive concerns imports of certain cotton, wool, man-made fiber, silk blend and other vegetable fiber textiles and textile products, produced or manufactured in Mauritius and exported during the twelve-month period