

Economic Zone under provisions of the Magnuson Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson Act, 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*). This notice concerns the receipt of an application from the Government of the Russian Federation requesting authorization to conduct a joint venture in the Northwest Atlantic Ocean for Atlantic mackerel. The factory ship ALEKSANDROVSK SAKHALINSKIY is identified as the vessel that will receive Atlantic mackerel from U.S. vessels. Send comments on this application to:

NOAA - National Marine Fisheries Service, Office of Fisheries Conservation and Management, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910; and/or to one or both of the Regional Fishery Management Councils listed below:

Douglas G. Marshall, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council, 5 Broadway, Saugus, MA 01906, (617) 231-0422;

David R. Keifer, Executive Director, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, Federal Building, Room 2115, 300 South New Street, Dover, DE 19901-6790, (302) 674-2331.

For further information contact Robert A. Dickinson, Office of Fisheries Conservation and Management, (301) 713-2337.

Dated: August 7, 1996.

Richard W. Surdi,

Acting Director, Office of Fisheries Conservation and Management, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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Marine Mammals; Permit No. 841 (P129J)

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

ACTION: Scientific research permit amendment.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that a request for amendment of Permit No. 841 submitted by Bruce R. Mate, Oregon State University, Newport, Oregon 97365-5296 has been granted to tag an additional 50 blue whales over the next 3 years.

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

Permits Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, NOAA, 1315 East-West Hwy., Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713-2289);

Director, Southwest Region, NMFS, 501 West Ocean Boulevard, Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802-4213 (310/980-4015); and

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

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On March 22, 1996, notice was published in the Federal Register (61 FR 11809) that a amendment of Permit No. 841 issued on June 24, 1993, had been requested by the above-named individual. The amendment has been granted under authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 (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 (ESA) (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), and the regulations governing endangered fish and wildlife (50 CFR part 217-222).

Issuance of this Permit, as required by the ESA of 1973, is based on a finding that the Permit: (1) Was applied for in good faith; (2) does not operate to the disadvantage of the endangered species which is the subject of this Permit; and (3) is consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA of 1973.

Dated: June 28, 1996.

Ann D. Terbush,

Chief, Permits and Documentation Division, Office of Protected Resources.

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National Technical Information Service

Advisory Board Meeting

AGENCY: National Technical Information Service, Technology Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of partially closed meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. app. 2, notice is hereby given that the National Technical Information Service Advisory Board (the "Board") will meet on Monday, September 9, 1996, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., and on Tuesday, September 10, 1996, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The session on Tuesday, September 10, will be closed to the Public.

The Board was established under the authority of 15 U.S.C. 3704b(c), and was Chartered on September 15, 1989. The Board is composed of five members appointed by the Secretary of Commerce who are eminent in such fields as information resources management, information technology, and library and

information services. The purpose of the meeting is to review and make recommendations regarding general policies and operations of NTIS, including policies in connection with fees and charges for its services. The agenda will include a progress report on NTIS activities, an update on the progress of FedWorld, and a discussion of NTIS' long range plans. The closed session discussion is scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m. and end at 3:00 p.m. on September 10, 1996. The session will be closed because premature disclosure of the information to be discussed would be likely to significantly frustrate implementation of NTIS' business plans.

DATES: The meeting will convene on September 9, at 9:00 a.m. and adjourn at 3:00 p.m. and convene again on September 10, 1996, at 9:00 a.m. and adjourn at 3:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in Room 2029 Sills Building, National Technical Information Service, 5285 Port Royal Road, Springfield, Virginia 22161.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: The meeting will be open to public participation on September 9, 1996, and closed on September 10, 1996. Approximately thirty minutes will be set aside on September 9, 1996 for comments or questions from the public. Seats will be available for the public and for the media on a first-come, first-served basis. Any member of the public may submit written comments concerning the Board's affairs at any time. Copies of the minutes of the open session meeting will be available within thirty days of the meeting from the address given below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Linda Lucas, NTIS Advisory Board Secretary, National Technical Information Service, 5285 Port Royal Road, Springfield, Virginia 22161 Telephone: (703) 487-4636; Fax (703) 487-4093.

Dated: August 7, 1996.

Donald W. Corrigan,

Deputy Director.

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Patent and Trademark Office

Patent Cooperation Treaty; Proposed Collection; Comment Request

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (DOC), 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 October 15, 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 Robert J. Spar, Patent and Trademark Office (PTO), Washington, DC 20231, and (703)305-9285.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The information collection is necessary to process international patent applications filed under the Patent Cooperation Treaty. The affected public includes any individual or institution that files or prosecutes an international patent application.

II. Method of Collection

By mail, facsimile or hand-carry when the applicant or agent files an international patent application with the Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) or submits subsequent papers during the prosecution of the international application to the PTO or International Bureau of the World Intellectual Property Organization.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0651-0021.

Form Numbers: PCT/RO/101/134/144, PCT-1382, PCT/IPEA/401, PCT/IB/328, PCT/Model of power of attorney, PCT/Model of general power of attorney.

Type of Review: Reinstatement with change.

Affected Public: Individuals or households, business or other non-profit institutions, not-for-profit institutions and Federal Government.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 15,800.

Estimated Time Per Response: .25 hours to approximately 3 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Burden Hours: 58,910.

Estimated Total Annual Respondent Cost Burden: \$2,176,276.

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, 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 or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: August 7, 1996.

Linda Engelmeier,

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

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Technology Administration

National Medal of Technology

ACTION: Proposed Collection; comment request.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Katie Wolf, National Medal of Technology, Technology Administration, Room 4823 Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230, 202/482-3953 phone, and 202/482-6184 fax.

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

This is a renewal of a currently approved submission by the U.S. Department of Commerce's Technology Administration. The nominating forms associated with this annual Presidential Medal contain information that is necessary in order to select no more than 12 of the Nation's outstanding contributors to the promotion of technology for the improvement of this country's competitiveness.

II. Method of Collection

Nomination forms are made available for wide public distribution. Individuals and/or companies voluntarily complete the forms and submit them to the Department of Commerce, Technology Administration by mail.

III. Data.

OMB Number: 0692-0001.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission for a renewal.

Affected Public: Individuals, businesses, non-profit institutions, Federal agencies or employees and small businesses or organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 125.

Estimated Time Per Response: 3 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: \$15,000.

IV. Requests 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.

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