investment, productivity, innovation, or on the ability of United States-based companies to compete with foreign-based companies in domestic and export markets.

Executive Order 12866

The Department of State does not consider this rule to be a ''significant regulatory action'' under Executive Order 12866, section 3(f), Regulatory Planning and Review. In addition, the Department is exempt from Executive Order 12866 except to the extent that it is promulgating regulations in conjunction with a domestic agency that are significant regulatory actions. The Department has nevertheless reviewed the regulation to ensure its consistency with the regulatory philosophy and principles set forth in that Executive Order.

Executive Order 13132

This regulation will not have substantial direct effects on the States, on the relationship between the national government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government. Therefore, in accordance with section 6 of Executive Order 13132, it is determined that this rule does not have sufficient federalism implications to require consultations or warrant the preparation of a federalism summary impact statement.

Paperwork Reduction Act

This rule does not impose any new reporting or record-keeping requirements subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35.

List of Subjects in 22 CFR Part 62

Cultural exchange programs.

Accordingly, 22 CFR part 62 is proposed to be amended as follows:

PART 62—EXCHANGE VISITOR PROGRAM

1. The authority citation for part 62 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(15)(J), 1182, 1184, 1258; 22 U.S.C. 1431–1442, 2451–2460; Foreign Affairs Reform and Restructuring Act of 1998, Pub. L. 105–277, 112 Stat. 2681 *et seq.*; Reorganization Plan No. 2 of 1977, 3 CFR, 1977 Comp. p.200; E.O.12048 of March 27, 1978; 3 CFR, 1978 Comp. p. 168.

2. Amend § 62.20 by revising paragraph (i) and removing paragraph (j) to read as follows:

§ 62.20 Professors and research scholars.

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(i) *Duration of participation.* The permitted duration of program participation for a professor or research scholar shall be as follows:

(1) *General limitation.* The professor and research scholar shall be authorized to participate in the Exchange Visitor Program for the length of time necessary to complete his or her program, which time shall not exceed five years. The five-year period of permitted program participation shall begin with the initial program start date listed on the DS–2019 pursuant to which professor or research scholar participant status is acquired and shall end five years from such date. It shall include time spent outside the United States.

(2) *Repeat Participation.* Individuals who have entered the United States under the Exchange Visitor Program as a professor or research scholar, or who have acquired such status while in the United States shall not be eligible for repeat participation as a professor or research scholar for a period of two years.

(3) *Change of category.* A change between the categories of professor and research scholar shall not extend an exchange visitor's permitted period of participation beyond five years.

(4) Extensions beyond the duration of participation are not permitted under this category.

Dated: June 4, 2002.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Parts 73 and 76

[MM Docket No. 98–204; DA 02–1025]

En Banc Hearing on Broadcast and Cable EEO Rules and Policies

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule; clarification.

SUMMARY: On June 20, 2002, the Commission released a document announcing the June 24, 2002, *en banc* hearing to discuss issues and views on the Commission's proceeding to promulgate new broadcast and cable equal employment opportunity (EEO) rules. The intended effect of this action is to clarify the public notification of the Commission's *en banc* hearing.

DATES: The *en banc* hearing will convene from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on June 24, 2002.

ADDRESSES: The hearing will be held at the Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC in the Commission Meeting Room (Room TW–C305).

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

1. By a document dated and released June 20, 2002, the Federal Communications Commission announced that it will hold an *en banc* hearing open to the public. The purpose of the *en banc* is to assist the Commission in its examination of the EEO rules applicable to broadcast and cable entities.

2. The *en banc* hearing was previously announced in Public Notice DA 02–1025 (May 3, 2002), but that public notice inadvertently was not published in the **Federal Register**. Accordingly, the Commission re-released the public notice pursuant to § 0.605(e) of its rules, 47 CFR 0.605(e). The Commission determined that to the extent the previous public notice was insufficient for purposes of § 0.605, the prompt and orderly conduct of the Commission's business required that this notice be issued less than one week prior to the *en banc* hearing and that earlier notice was not practicable, since the failure to publish the earlier public notice was just discovered.

Federal Communications Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 600

[I.D. 061102B]

Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions; General Provisions for Domestic Fisheries; Application for Exempted Fishing Permits (EFPs)

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

ACTION: Notification of a proposal for EFPs to conduct experimental fishing; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Administrator, Northeast Region, NMFS (Regional Administrator) has made a preliminary determination that the subject EFP application