

Presidential Documents

Title 3—

Proclamation 5614 of March 2, 1987

The President

Hatch Act Centennial, 1987

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

For a century, we Americans and people around the world have benefitted tremendously from the agricultural research and training provided by our national system of agricultural experiment stations at our State land-grant colleges. This system was initiated by the Hatch Act, which President Grover Cleveland signed into law on March 2, 1887. In celebrating the Centennial of this legislation, we pay much-deserved tribute to our agricultural researchers of the present and to the generations of dedicated scientists who preceded them in this essential work.

Americans promoted agricultural education from the start. Private societies achieved much progress, and farmers, stimulated by nearly limitless opportunity, eagerly took advantage of new scientific knowledge. Public support for agricultural research grew because the results were so obviously beneficial. In the early and mid-19th century, specialized schools of agriculture appeared. The United States Department of Agriculture was founded in 1862; one of its missions was to acquire and diffuse agricultural information. The Morrill Act, which President Abraham Lincoln signed into law in 1862, provided for the creation of land-grant agricultural colleges in most States.

Despite these welcome developments, a generation later much remained to be done. It was then that William Henry Hatch, a Congressman from Missouri, proposed agricultural experiment stations for research and training. Today we know that the adoption of the Hatch Act of 1887 was one of the most significant steps ever taken in American agriculture.

It is no exaggeration to say that the wealth of technical knowledge developed at these stations has enabled America's farmers to revolutionize the practice of agriculture and bettered life for millions of people the world over. The existence of these institutions and the abilities of the scientists trained there ensure that future generations will continue to enjoy the benefits of agricultural research.

In recognition of the vital role of State agricultural experiment stations in American agriculture, the Congress, by House Joint Resolution 3, has designated March 2, 1987, as the Centennial of the signing of the Hatch Act of 1887 and authorized and requested the President to issue a proclamation in observance of this event.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RONALD REAGAN, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim March 2, 1987, as the Centennial of the signing of the Hatch Act of 1887, and I call upon the people of the United States to observe this day with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this second day of March, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and eighty-seven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and eleventh.

Ronald Reagan

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Proclamation 5615 of March 3, 1987

National Year of the Americas, 1987

By the President of the United States of America

A Proclamation

The countries of the Western Hemisphere enjoy a special relationship, influenced by the accidents of geography and our common heritage as nations of the New World. The vast majority of our lands represent a mix of native groups of ancient lineage and a much larger population of immigrants from other shores. Today virtually every nationality is represented in our Hemisphere. Our diversity is truly astonishing, but there exists in us a common thread of restiveness and exploration, a longing to build lives of freedom and quiet dignity and to share the fruits of our discoveries with one another and the entire world.

As the 20th century nears its close, we have an opportunity to reflect on the direction in which relations among the peoples of the Americas have evolved. In a century marked by sporadic regional conflicts and two world wars, we have nonetheless seen ample evidence for the conclusion that the bonds of friendship and aspiration among us are stronger than ever. The sometimes rugged terrain we have crossed and the horizons we still must reach should not daunt our spirit or dim our optimism—what remains to be achieved for the Americas can be the source of both our hopes and the energy to achieve them.

The National Year of the Americas celebration will focus on the links that bind the nations of the Western Hemisphere into "The Americas." It will emphasize the enhancement of our citizens' understanding of their neighbors to the north and south, and it will underscore just how much there is to celebrate in this era of hemispheric change and opportunity.

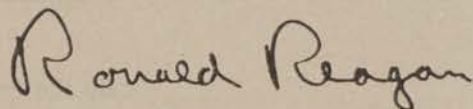
The most important cause for joy is the new chapter that our decade is writing in the story of liberty. Since 1979, the process of democratization has strengthened the community of purpose among American peoples. During that period, the people of ten Latin American nations have expressed their determination, through the ballot box, to turn from oligarchy to democracy. The time is right for our countries to defend and work to extend democracy and respect for human rights throughout the hemisphere.

The tenth Pan American Games, which will be held in Indianapolis in 1987, provide an opportunity to bring together the peoples of Latin America, the West Indies, Canada, and the United States. The Games will celebrate our diversity and our unity, our interdependence and our shared future. They will foster mutual respect and understanding.

In recognition of the opportunity afforded by the Pan American Games, the Congress, by joint resolution approved July 3, 1986 (Public Law 99-356), has designated 1987 as "The National Year of the Americas" and authorized and requested the President to issue a proclamation calling upon Federal, State, and local government agencies, private organizations, and the people of the United States to observe the year with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RONALD REAGAN, President of the United States of America, do hereby proclaim the year of 1987 as The National Year of the Americas, and I urge our citizens to focus their attention on our hemisphere as united in spirit during this year.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this third day of March, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and eighty-seven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and eleventh.



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Executive Order 12585 of March 3, 1987

Eligibility of Overseas Employees for Noncompetitive Appointment

By the authority vested in me as President by the laws of the United States of America, including sections 3301 and 3302 of title 5 of the United States Code, and in order to expand the eligibility of certain former overseas employees for noncompetitive appointment in the competitive service, it is hereby ordered as follows:

Section 1. Section 1 of Executive Order No. 12362 of May 12, 1982, is amended as follows:

(a) by inserting after "employee" the following: ", a nonappropriated fund employee,";

(b) by striking out "24" and inserting in lieu thereof "18"; and

(c) by adding at the end thereof the following new sentence: "The employing agency in the United States may waive a requirement for a written test for an individual appointed under this Order if the agency determines that the duties and responsibilities of the position occupied overseas were similar enough to those of the position to which the individual is being appointed under this Order to make the written test unnecessary."

Sec. 2. Section 2(b) of Executive Order No. 12362 is amended by striking out "24" and inserting in lieu thereof "18".

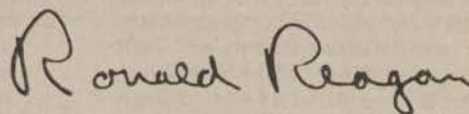
Sec. 3. Section 2(d) of Executive Order No. 12362 is amended to read as follows:

"(d) have been a family member of an appropriate sponsor (a civilian employee, a nonappropriated fund employee, or a member of a uniformed service) while serving in the overseas position or positions;"

Sec. 4. Section 2(e) of Executive Order No. 12362 is amended by striking out "civilian or uniformed".

Sec. 5. Section 2(f) of Executive Order No. 12362 is amended to read as follows:

"(f) exercise the eligibility for noncompetitive appointment within three years of returning to the United States, unless a longer period of eligibility is approved by the Office of Personnel Management in a particular case due to hardship."



THE WHITE HOUSE,
March 3, 1987.

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This section of the FEDERAL REGISTER contains regulatory documents having general applicability and legal effect, most of which are keyed to and codified in the Code of Federal Regulations, which is published under 50 titles pursuant to 44 U.S.C. 1510. The Code of Federal Regulations is sold by the Superintendent of Documents. Prices of new books are listed in the first FEDERAL REGISTER issue of each week.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Federal Crop Insurance Corporation

7 CFR Parts 403, 413, 421, 425, 430, 435, 436, 438, 446, and 448

[Doc. No. 0093A]

Crop Insurance; Various Commodities; Peaches, Apples, Arizona-California Citrus, etc; Correction

AGENCY: Federal Crop Insurance Corporation, USDA.

ACTION: Interim rule; correction.

In FR Doc. 86-18431 beginning on page 29205 in the issue of August 15, 1986, make the following corrections:

1. On page 29207, in §§ 403.7(d), 413.7(d), 421.7(d), 425.7(d), 430.7(d), 435.7(d), 436.7(d), 446.7(d), and 448.7(d), the last column, in paragraph e. in the twelfth line, "will not be more than" should read "will be".

2. On the same page, in § 438.7(d), the same column, in paragraph f. in the twelfth line, "will not be more than" should read "will be".

Done in Washington, DC, on February 25, 1987.

Edward Hews,

Acting Manager, Federal Crop Insurance Corporation.

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CFR Part 1434 to extend the final date in which price support loans and purchase agreements are available to producers from January 31 to March 31 of the year following the year in which the honey is produced and extracted. The Honey Price Support Program regulations were amended for the 1986-1990 crops of honey to permit honey producers to repay their price support loans at the price support level or at a lower level as determined by the Secretary. The extension of the price support availability period will permit producers and cooperatives to take full advantage of this new provision and will minimize the quantity of honey which CCC would acquire.

DATES: Effective date: March 4, 1987.

Comments must be received on or before April 6, 1987 in order to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESS: Send comments on the interim rule to Director, Cotton, Grain and Rice Price Support Division, ASCS-USDA, P.O. Box 2415, Washington, DC 20013. All written submissions made pursuant to this rule will be made available for public inspection in Room 3627-South Building, USDA, between the hours of 8:15 and 4:45 p.m., Monday through Friday.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ross D. Ballard, Cotton, Grain and Rice Price Support Division, Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 2415, Washington, DC 20013. Phone: (202) 447-4704.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Information collection requirements contained in this regulation (7 CFR Part 1434) have been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in accordance with the provisions of 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, and have been assigned OMB clearance numbers 0560-0040 and 0560-0087.

This interim rule has been reviewed under U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) procedures established in accordance with provisions of Executive Order 12291 and Departmental Regulation No. 1512-1 and has been classified "not major." It has been determined that provisions of this interim rule will not result in:

(1) An annual effect on the economy of \$100 million or more;

(2) Major increases in costs or prices for consumers, individual industries,

Federal, State, or local government agencies or geographic regions; or

(3) Significant adverse effects on competition, employment, investment, productivity, innovation, or on the ability of United States-based enterprises to compete with foreign-based enterprises in domestic or export markets.

It has been determined that the Regulatory Flexibility Act is not applicable to this interim rule since the CCC is not required by 5 U.S.C. 553 or any other provision of law to publish a notice of proposed rulemaking with respect to the subject matter of this interim rule.

This program/activity is not subject to the provisions of Executive Order 12372 which requires intergovernmental consultation with State and Local officials. See the Notice related to 7 CFR Part 3015, Subpart V, published at 48 FR 29115 (June 24, 1983).

It has been determined that this action is not expected to have any significant impact on the quality of the human environment. In addition, it has been determined that this action will not adversely affect environmental factors such as wildlife habitat, water quality, air quality, and land use and appearance. Accordingly, neither an environmental assessment nor an Environmental Impact Statement is needed.

The title and number of the Federal Assistance Program to which this interim rule applies are: Title—Commodity Loans and Purchases; Number 10.051, as found in the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance.

Need for Immediate Action

On July 17, 1986, an interim rule was published in the *Federal Register* at 51 FR 25851 which amended the Honey Price Support Regulations governing 1986-1990 crops (7 CFR Part 1434). The interim rule amended the regulations to implement the amendment to section 201(b) of the Agricultural Act of 1949, as amended by the Food Security Act of 1985. The amended regulations principally related to the Secretary of Agriculture's authority to permit honey producers and cooperatives to repay their price support loans at the price support level or at a level lower than the support level as determined by the Secretary which will minimize the number of loan forfeitures; will not

Commodity Credit Corporation

7 CFR Part 1434

Honey Price Support Regulations Governing 1986-1990 Crops

AGENCY: Commodity Credit Corporation, USDA.

ACTION: Interim rule.

SUMMARY: This interim rule amends the Honey Price Support Regulations at 7