

1995—Pub. L. 104-43 amended section catchline generally, designated existing provisions as subsec. (a), inserted heading, struck out last sentence which read as follows: “There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out this section.”, and added subsec. (b).

**§ 971j. Repealed. Pub. L. 114-81, title I, § 107(5), Nov. 5, 2015, 129 Stat. 658**

Section, Pub. L. 94-70, § 11, as added Pub. L. 104-43, title III, § 308, Nov. 3, 1995, 109 Stat. 386; amended Pub. L. 105-384, title II, § 202(b)(1)(E), Nov. 13, 1998, 112 Stat. 3453, required the Secretary to submit an annual report.

**§ 971k. Savings clause**

Nothing in this chapter shall have the effect of diminishing the rights and obligations of any Nation under Article VIII(3) of the Convention.

(Pub. L. 94-70, § 11, formerly § 12, as added Pub. L. 104-43, title III, § 308, Nov. 3, 1995, 109 Stat. 387; amended Pub. L. 105-384, title II, § 202(b)(1)(E), Nov. 13, 1998, 112 Stat. 3453; renumbered § 11, Pub. L. 114-81, title I, § 107(5), Nov. 5, 2015, 129 Stat. 658.)

**Editorial Notes**

**PRIOR PROVISIONS**

A prior section 11 of Pub. L. 94-70 was renumbered section 12 and is set out as a Separability note under section 971 of this title.

Another prior section 11 of Pub. L. 94-70 was classified to section 971j of this title, prior to repeal by Pub. L. 114-81, title I, § 107(5), Nov. 5, 2015, 129 Stat. 658.

**AMENDMENTS**

1998—Pub. L. 105-384 made technical amendment to style of heading and section designation in original act.

**CHAPTER 16B—EASTERN PACIFIC TUNA FISHING**

**§§ 972 to 972h. Repealed. Pub. L. 114-81, title II, § 210, Nov. 5, 2015, 129 Stat. 664**

Section 972, Pub. L. 98-445, § 2, Oct. 4, 1984, 98 Stat. 1715, provided definitions for this chapter.

Section 972a, Pub. L. 98-445, § 3, Oct. 4, 1984, 98 Stat. 1716, related to United States representation on the Council.

Section 972b, Pub. L. 98-445, § 4, Oct. 4, 1984, 98 Stat. 1716, authorized the Secretary of State to act for United States.

Section 972c, Pub. L. 98-445, § 5, Oct. 4, 1984, 98 Stat. 1716; Pub. L. 104-208, div. A, title I, § 101(a) [title II, § 211(b)], Sept. 30, 1996, 110 Stat. 3009, 3009-41, related to application to other laws.

Section 972d, Pub. L. 98-445, § 6, Oct. 4, 1984, 98 Stat. 1716, related to disposition of fees.

Section 972e, Pub. L. 98-445, § 7, Oct. 4, 1984, 98 Stat. 1716, related to regulations.

Section 972f, Pub. L. 98-445, § 8, Oct. 4, 1984, 98 Stat. 1717, related to prohibited acts.

Section 972g, Pub. L. 98-445, § 9, Oct. 4, 1984, 98 Stat. 1717; Pub. L. 101-650, title III, § 321, Dec. 1, 1990, 104 Stat. 5117, related to enforcement.

Section 972h, Pub. L. 98-445, § 10, Oct. 4, 1984, 98 Stat. 1719, authorized appropriations.

**Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries**

**SHORT TITLE**

Pub. L. 98-445, § 1, Oct. 4, 1984, 98 Stat. 1715, which provided that Pub. L. 98-445 could be cited as the “Eastern

Pacific Tuna Licensing Act of 1984”, was repealed by Pub. L. 114-81, title II, § 210, Nov. 5, 2015, 129 Stat. 664.

**CHAPTER 16C—SOUTH PACIFIC TUNA FISHING**

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**§ 973. Definitions**

As used in this chapter—

(1) The term “Administrator” means the individual or organization designated by the Pacific Island Parties to act on their behalf under the Treaty and notified to the United States Government.

(2) The term “Authorized Officer” means any officer who is authorized by the Secretary, or the Secretary of the department in which the Coast Guard is operating, or the head of any Federal or State agency which has entered into an enforcement agreement with the Secretary under section 973h(a) of this title.

(3) The term “Authorized Party Officer” means any officer authorized by a Pacific Island Party to enforce the provisions of the Treaty.

(4) The term “applicable national law” means any provision of law of a Pacific Island Party which is described in paragraph 1(a) of Annex I of the Treaty.

(5) The term “Closed Area” means any of the closed areas identified in Schedule 2 of Annex I of the Treaty.

(6) The term “fishing” means—

(A) searching for, catching, taking, or harvesting fish;

(B) attempting to search for, catch, take, or harvest fish;

(C) engaging in any other activity which can reasonably be expected to result in the locating, catching, taking, or harvesting of fish;

(D) placing, searching for, or recovering fish aggregating devices or associated electronic equipment such as radio beacons;

(E) any operations at sea directly in support of, or in preparation for, any activity described in this paragraph; or

(F) aircraft use, relating to the activities described in this paragraph except for flights in emergencies involving the health or safety of crew members or the safety of a vessel.

(7) The term “fishing vessel” or “vessel” means any boat, ship, or other craft which is