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CANNED PILCHARDS AND OTHER SARDINES RECOMBINED IN EXPORTS STATISTICS: Since it appears impractical to require differentiation between exports of canned pilchards (California sardines) under Schedule B commodity number 008501 and other canned sardines under 008505, the use of separate Schedule B numbers has been terminated, states the Bureau of the Census in its November 1949 Foreign Trade Statistics Notes. Separate classifications for exports of canned sardines were adopted in January 1949.

With the approval of the Interdepartmental Committee on Foreign Trade Commodity Classification, a Public Bulletin (P.B. 142 B-I and II) was issued providing that shippers and exporters are to report both types of sardines under the old Schedule B commodity number 008500. This change is made retroactive to January 1, 1949, in the export statistics.

While there are reasons for believing that the separation of exports of the two types of sardines in the United States export statistics is a desirable objective, the difficulties of making this separation at this time apparently outweigh the benefits to be derived.

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CERTAIN COMMODITIES DELETED FROM POSITIVE LIST: Certain commodities were deleted from the Positive List effective November 10, 1949, and published in the Federal Register of December 14, 1949.

The deleted commodities of interest to the fishing and allied industries were as follows:

Schedule B No.	Commodity
984900	Miscellaneous commodities, n.e.s.: Fishing nets, commercial
984900	Seines, commercial

These commodities may now be exported under the general license GRO, which requires only that a shipper's export declaration describing the commodity to be exported be filed with the Collector of Customs at the port of exit or

with the Postmaster at the place of mailing. (See Commercial Fisheries Review, November 1949, p. 68.)

