ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4:4

Amendment of the Bilateral Agreement
between the United States and Bangladesh

The Textiles Surveillance Body received a notification from the United States of an amendment of its bilateral agreement with Bangladesh. The original agreement which covered Categories 334 and 340, has been superseded by the amendment effective 1 February 1986. Limits have been agreed on Categories 331, 334, 335, 340/640, 341 and 347/348 for the period 1 February 1986-31 January 1988.

The TSB, pursuant to its procedures regarding notifications made under Article 4, has examined the relevant documentation and is forwarding the text of the notification to participating countries for their information.

1 The original bilateral agreement is contained in COM.TEX/SB/1091.
2 See COM.TEX/SB/35, Annex B

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UNITED STATES AND BANGLADESH SIGN
NEW BILATERAL TEXTILE AGREEMENT

The United States and Bangladesh exchanged notes in Washington to establish a new bilateral textile agreement between the two Governments. Text of the notes follow.

UNITED STATES NOTE

Washington, DC
February 19, 1986

Excellency:

I have the honour to refer to the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles, done at Geneva on December 20, 1973, and extended by Protocols adopted respectively on December 17, 1977 and December 22, 1981 at Geneva (the Arrangement), to the agreement between the United States of America and the People's Republic of Bangladesh relating to trade in certain apparel categories effected by exchange of letters on June 28, 1985 in Washington, D.C. and to discussions held between representatives of our Governments in Washington February 5-7, 1986.

I have the honour to propose, on behalf of my Government, pursuant to Article 4 of the Arrangement, the following agreement between our two Governments. This agreement will supersede the previous agreement of June 28, 1985.

The new Agreement shall begin on February 1, 1986 and extend through January 31, 1988. Specific limits for the first year (February 1, 1986-January 31, 1987) shall be those established below. Annual growth shall be 6 per cent, and swing of 6 per cent shall be available. Carry forward of 6 per cent will be available during the initial twelve-month period and, where shortfall occurs, carryover of 11 per cent will be available in the subsequent twelve-month period. The United States Government will have the right to assist in implementing the above understanding.

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The current limit for Category 340 shall be prorated to end on January 31, 1986. The overshipments shall be charged and distributed equally over each Agreement Year. Embargoed shipments in Category 340 shall be allowed entry up to 80,000 dozen in February 1986 and the remainder in March 1986.

*1986 T.S.U.S.A's are 381.5500, 381.5610, 381.5625, 381.5660, 381.9535, 381.9550 and future breakouts for 381.0520, 381.3130, 381.3140, 381.3150, 381.5635, and 381.9545.
If this proposal is acceptable to the Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, this note and your Excellency's note of confirmation on behalf of the People's Republic of Bangladesh shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

For the Secretary of State:

(signed)

BANGLADESH NOTE

Washington, DC
February 24, 1986

Excellency:

I have the honour to refer to the Department of State's Note Verbale of February 19, 1986 concerning the agreement between the United States of America and the People's Republic of Bangladesh relating to trade in certain apparel categories pursuant to discussions held between representatives of our Governments in Washington, D.C. February 5-7, 1986. I would like to confirm herein that your above-mentioned note reflects the understanding reached between our two Governments.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

(signed)

A.Z.M. Obaidullah Khan