ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4:4

Bilateral Agreement between Austria and Macao

The Textiles Surveillance Body received a notification from Austria of a bilateral agreement with Macao for the period 1 January 1987 to 31 December 1990.

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

1 The bilateral agreement between the parties is contained in COM.TEX/SB/938.
2 See COM.TEX/SB/35, Annex B
3 For the TSB's observations see COM.TEX/SB/1265
* English only/Anglais seulement/Inglés solamente
Vienna, 18 December 1986

Excellency,

1. I have the honour to refer to the ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES (hereinafter referred to as the ARRANGEMENT), done at Geneva on 20 December 1973, in particular its paragraph 4 and to the PROTOCOL EXTENDING THE ARRANGEMENT, done at Geneva on 31 July 1986.

2. I further wish to refer to the consultations which took place between representatives of Austria and Macao on 17 and 18 December 1986 in Vienna. As a result of these consultations Austria and Macao have reached the following understanding.

3. Macao shall restrict exports to Austria of the textile products listed in the Annex to the levels set out in that Annex.

4. Upon presentation of certificates of origin (Certificados de Origem), issued by the Direcção dos Serviços de Economia de Macao, with an endorsement that the consignment has been debited to the respective export level, the competent Austrian authority will license the corresponding imports within and up to the agreed export levels.

5. Certificates of origin mentioned in paragraph 4 above shall cease to be valid after the expiration of 6 months after the end of the restraint period.
6. Transfer (swing) between the categories of the Annex to this Agreement may be made, after notification by Macao, up to an amount of 5 per cent of the export limits for each of the receiving categories, provided that a corresponding reduction is applied in the export limits from which the transfer is made.

7. For the products mentioned in the Annex carry-over and carry forward taken together shall not exceed 11 per cent of which carry forward shall not represent more than 6 per cent.

8. If nothing is heard from Austria within 8 weeks from the date of such notification the proposed flexibility (carry-over, carry forward and swing) will apply automatically.

9. Austria will provide Macao with statistics on a monthly and cumulative basis of import licenses and Macao will provide Austria with statistics on the same basis of certificates of origin issued in accordance with paragraph 4 above.

10. If necessary, at the request of Austria, Macao will provide more detailed information in respect of specific exports to Austria of the products listed in the Annex, showing the name of the exporters, the numbers and dated of certificates of origin issued, the dates of shipments as well as the quantities of the products covered by these certificates of origin.

11. In respect of woven blouses of man made fibres or of cotton CCCN.No.ex 61.02 the competent Austrian authority will upon presentation of certificates of origin (Certificados de Origem), issued by the Direcção dos Serviços de Economia de Macao automatically issue import licenses and will provide Macao with information concerning such import licenses on a monthly basis.
Should imports of the above mentioned products from Macao to Austria develop in such a manner which, in the view of Austria, causes real risks of market disruption, Austria may request consultations with a view to reaching a restraint agreement on mutually acceptable terms.

11. Consultations regarding the conduct of exports of the products listed in the Annex will be held if so desired by either party.

If this proposal is acceptable to Macao, this note and your note of confirmation of Macao shall constitute an agreement between Austria and Macao.

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

[Signature]
Dr. Helmut KRBHLIK
Counsellor

Enclosure: Annex

His Excellency
Carlos Augusto Pulido Valente Monjardino
Under Secretary for
Economy Finance and Tourism
Government of Macao
Macao
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<tr>
<th>Category</th>
<th>Description of product</th>
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<td>(1)</td>
<td>Slacks, shorts, jeans trousers and divided skirts, not knitted or crocheted, wholly of mainly of cotton, CCCN. Nos.ex 61.01, ex 61.0</td>
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<td>Woven shirts, wholly or mainly of discontinuous synthetic fibres or of cotton, CCCN. No. ex 61.03</td>
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Dear Dr. Krehlik!

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your note dated 18 December 1986 regarding the understanding reached following consultations held between Austria and Macao on 18 December 1986 in Vienna.

I have taken due notice of its contents and I wish to inform you that the Macao Authorities are able to accept the understanding expressed in your note and that with the present letter I subscribe and agree that these shall constitute an agreement between Austria and Macao.

Accept, Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration.

Carlos Augusto Pulido Valente Monjardino

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