ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4:4
Amendment of the bilateral agreement between the United States and Turkey

The Textiles Surveillance Body received a notification from the United States of a further amendment to its bilateral agreement with Turkey. Specific limits were agreed for Categories 300/301 (cotton yarn), 604 (man-made fibre yarn), 337 (cotton playsuits) and 347 (men's cotton trousers) for the period 1 July 1987 to 30 June 1990.

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 previous bilateral agreement and modifications and an additional Protocol are contained in COM.TEX/SB/925, 1041 and 1203.
2 COM.TEX/SB/35, Annex B
3 For the TSB's observations on this notification see COM.TEX/SB/1377.
* English only/Anglais seulement/Inglés solamente

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UNITED STATES AND TURKEY AMEND
BILATERAL TEXTILE AGREEMENT

The United States and Turkey amended their Bilateral Textile Agreement by exchange of notes on November 10, 1987 and December 11, 1987. Text of the notes follow:

UNITED STATES NOTE
November 10, 1987

The Secretary of State presents his compliments to His Excellency the Ambassador of Turkey and refers to the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles, done at Geneva on December 20, 1973 and subsequently amended and extended, and to the Agreement between the United States of America and the Republic of Turkey on Bilateral Textile Trade of October 18, 1985 and subsequently amended by Exchanges of Notes on July 30 and August 1, 1986; October 24 and November 13, 1986; and January 22 and March 25, 1987. The Secretary of State also refers to consultations held in Geneva, October 14-16, 1987 between the Governments of the United States and the Republic of Turkey concerning Turkish exports of apparel to the United States.

On behalf of the Government of the United States of America, the Secretary proposes that the Agreement shall be amended to establish the Specific Limits listed below:

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<td>300/301</td>
<td>6,890,000 lbs.</td>
<td>7,303,400 lbs.</td>
<td>7,741,604 lbs.</td>
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<td>337</td>
<td>75,000 Doz.</td>
<td>79,500 Doz.</td>
<td>84,270 Doz.</td>
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<td>347</td>
<td>600,000 Doz.</td>
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<td>(270,000 Doz.)</td>
<td>(286,200 Doz.)</td>
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<td>(Only Trousers and Slacks)</td>
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<td>604</td>
<td>1,775,000 lbs.</td>
<td>1,881,500 lbs.</td>
<td>1,994,390 lbs.</td>
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The Government of the Republic of Turkey will restrain for the three year period beginning July 1, 1987 its exports to the United States of textiles to the specific limits set out above, as such specific limits may be adjusted by flexibility adjustments. Each "Agreement Year" shall be a twelve-month period from July 1 of a given year to June 30 of the following year. The Government of Turkey shall administer its export control system under this agreement. The Government of the United States may assist the Government of Turkey in implementing the limitation provisions of this Agreement by controlling imports on the basis of the date of shipment of textiles and textile products covered by this agreement.

Overshipment of category 604-0 during the July 1, 1986 through June 30, 1987 agreement period will be deducted equally from the Specific Limits of Category 604 for the three agreement periods established under this agreement.

Swing of 7 percent, and combined carryover/carryforward of 11 percent of which not more than 6 percent shall be carryforward shall be available for the above Specific Limits. The definitions and use of flexibility for the Specific Limits established herein will be subject for the entire period to the conditions set forth in Paragraph 3 of the Notes exchanged July 30 and August 1, 1986, by the United States and the Republic of Turkey.
Categories 604-A and 604-O are merged into category 604 at the Specific Limit established above. The existing Specific Limit for category 604-A for the period January 1, 1987 through December 31, 1987, shall be amended to apply only to the period January 1, 1987 through June 30, 1987 at a level of 365,170 lbs.

Nothing in this Agreement shall prejudice the rights of either party in the resolution of any subsequent textile trade issue.

If this proposal is acceptable to the Government of the Republic of Turkey this note together with a note of confirmation on behalf of the Republic of Turkey shall constitute an amendment to the Agreement on Bilateral Textile Trade.

TURKEY NOTE

Washington, D.C.
December 11, 1997

The Embassy of the Turkish Republic presents its compliments to the Department of State and referring to the Department's note concerning the consultations held in Geneva, October 14-16, 1987, between the Governments of United States and the Republic of Turkey on Turkish exports of apparel to the United States, has the honor to inform that the said proposal is acceptable to the Government of Turkey. The Embassy assumes that "shall be" of Page 3, first paragraph, second line of the Department's note appears inadvertently and therefore should be deleted.

The Embassy of the Turkish Republic avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Department of State the assurances of its highest consideration.