ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4:4

Modification of the bilateral agreement between the EEC and Macau

The Textiles Surveillance Body received a notification from the EEC of a further modification of its bilateral agreement with Macau. The inter-regional swing was increased for the 1992 agreement year.

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 bilateral agreement, previous modifications and extension are contained in COM.TEX/SB/1335, 1655 and 1663.

2 See COM.TEX/SB/35, Annex B.

* English only/Anglais seulement/Inglés solamente
The Directorate-General for External Relations of the Commission of the European Communities presents its compliments to the Minister for Commercial Affairs of Macau to the European Communities and has the honour to refer to the Agreement on Trade in Textile products between the Community and Macau initialled on 19 July 1986 and applied since 1 January 1987, as amended by the Exchange of Letters initialled on 30 July 1991.

With reference to paragraph 3 of the above-mentioned Exchange of Letters, the Directorate-General has the honour to inform the Minister that it is now in a position to propose the following paragraph:

"The percentage of transfers between regional quota-shares referred to in Article 14, paragraph 3, of the Agreement, for the year 1992 shall be of 40%.

It is understood that if, as a result of the application of the above percentage, serious difficulties, following significant changes in the pattern of trade, occur in certain regions of the Community, both Parties shall hold consultations without delay with a view to remedying the situation."

The Directorate-General for External Relations would be grateful if the Minister for Commercial Affairs would confirm his acceptance of the above adaptation of the Agreement, as agreed at the time of initialling of the said Exchange of Letters.

The Directorate-General for External Relations of the Commission of the European Communities avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Minister for Commercial Affairs of Macau to the European Communities the assurance of its highest consideration.

Brussels, 25.10.1991

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The Minister for Commercial Affairs of Macau with the European Communities and the Member States presents its compliments to the Directorate-General for External Affairs of the Commission of the European Communities and, with reference to Note Verbale No. 019052 of 25 October 1991, has the honour to confirm the agreement of the Government of Macau to the amendment of the Agreement on trade in textile products between the European Economic Community and Macau by the introduction of the paragraph proposed in the Note Verbale concerning the percentage of 40 per cent for transfers between regional quotas for the year 1992.

The Minister for Commercial Affairs of Macau takes this opportunity to renew to the Directorate-General for External Relations of the Commission of the European Communities the assurances of its highest consideration.

Brussels, 4 November 1991

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