ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Article 4 Notification

Agreement Between Norway and Sri Lanka

The Textiles Surveillance Body has received from Norway a notification of a bilateral agreement under Article 4 of the Arrangement between Norway and Sri Lanka concerning trade in textiles covering the period 1 May 1976 to 30 April 1978.

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

\(^1\) See COM.TEX/SB/35, Annex B.
Embassy of Sri Lanka
Stockholm.

23 December 1976

Mr. Chargé d'Affaires,

I write to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 23 December 1976 as follows:

"With reference to the consultations held in Colombo on 18 and 19 March and in Oslo on 28 and 29 April 1976 regarding the exports of woven shirts (BTN ex 61.03) from Sri Lanka to Norway and considering the provisions of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles particularly Article 4, I have the honour to inform you that the following is the understanding of the Government of Norway:

1. The following arrangements will apply from 1 May 1976 to 30 April 1978.

2. The Government of Sri Lanka will limit voluntarily exports to Norway of shirts during the first twelve-month period to 65,000 pieces. During the second twelve-month period this quantity will be increased by 5 per cent.

Imports for which licences have been granted prior to 1 May 1976 will not be affected by the provisions of this Arrangement.

3. The Government of Norway will issue automatically import licences for shirts of Sri Lanka origin up to the agreed level, provided that such imports are covered by an export licence stating that the consignments concerned have been debited to the agreed limit.

The date of issue of shipping documents is considered to be the date of delivery.

4. The Government of Sri Lanka will forward to the Government of Norway monthly statistics on a cumulative basis of the quantities of the shirts for which licences for export to Norway have been issued.


6. The Government of Norway and the Government of Sri Lanka agree to consult at the request of either if any unforeseen problem arises from the implementation of this Arrangement."
7. If in the period 1 May 1976 to 30 April 1977 exports from Sri Lanka to Norway of shirts covered by this Arrangement, are less than the level specified above, Sri Lanka may export a quantity equivalent to such shortfalls during the following period provided that such exports do not exceed 5 per cent of the level specified for the first period.

8. The Government of Norway is prepared to allow an import of 5 per cent over the level specified for the first period of this Arrangement on the understanding that imports are being reduced correspondingly in the second period.

9. This letter together with your reply will constitute an agreement between the Government of Norway and the Government of Sri Lanka."

I confirm that the above is also the understanding of the Government of Sri Lanka.

Please accept, Mr. Chargé d'Affaires, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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