ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Agreement between Sweden and Singapore

The Textiles Surveillance Body has received from Sweden a notification of an agreement which has been concluded between Sweden and Singapore concerning trade in textiles. The validity of the agreement runs through to 28 February 1978.

The TSB has examined the relevant documentation in accordance with the provisions of Article 4/1 and is circulating the text of the agreement to participating countries for their information.2/

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1/ See COM.TEX/SB/35, Annex B.
2/ See COM.TEX/SB/273, para. 4 for observations of the TSB.
Singapore, 24 February 1977

Sir,

With reference to the consultations held in Singapore on 15-17 February 1977 regarding the exports of certain textile products from Singapore to Sweden and considering the provisions of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles, I have the honour to inform you that the following is the understanding of the Government of Sweden:

1. The following arrangements will apply for the periods specified in Annex I to this letter.

2. The Government of Singapore will limit voluntarily exports to Sweden of the textile products listed in Annex I to this letter, to the levels set out in that Annex.

3. The Government of Sweden will admit imports of the textile products of Singapore origin, listed in Annex I, only when such imports are covered by a certificate of origin as per specimen in Annex II, issued by the Certificate of Origin Office of the Controller of Imports and Exports, Singapore, with an endorsement by the Department of Trade of the Ministry of Finance, Singapore, 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 Singapore will forward to the Government of Sweden via the Embassy of Sweden in Singapore monthly statistics on a cumulative basis of the quantities of the items, listed in Annex I, for which duly endorsed certificates of origin for export to Sweden have been issued. The statistics shall reach the Government of Sweden within a period of two months from the month under reference.

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5. The Government of Sweden will forward to the Government of Singapore monthly statistics on a cumulative basis of imports from Singapore of the items, listed in Annex I. The statistics shall be forwarded to the Government of Singapore within a period of two months from the month under reference.

6. The Government of Sweden and the Government of Singapore agree to consult each other, at the request of either, when any unforeseen problem arises from the implementation of this agreement. The Government of Sweden and the Government of Singapore agree furthermore to enter into consultations on the prolongation, modification or removal of the limitations before the end of the period of agreement. If consultations do not result, within a reasonable period of time, in a mutually satisfactory solution and the removal or modification of the limitations would result in serious damage to its domestic producers of like or directly competitive products, the Government of Sweden may apply limitations to the extent and for such time as may be found necessary.

7. If in the agreement periods expiring on 28 February 1978 exports from Singapore to Sweden of any item listed in Annex I to this letter are less than the level specified for that period, Singapore may export amounts of that item equivalent to such shortfalls during the subsequent agreement period, provided that such exports do not exceed 10 per cent of the level applicable for the latter period.

8. This letter together with your reply will constitute an agreement between the Government of Sweden and the Government of Singapore.

I would appreciate your confirmation that the above is also the understanding of the Government of Singapore.

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

Yours faithfully,

(signed) R. Rasmusson
Chargé d'Affaires a.i.
# ANNEX I

(Unit of quantities: pieces)

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<th>Swedish tariff classification No.</th>
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<td>garments, other than shirts,</td>
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<td>night-garments, panty hoses and tights</td>
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<td>60, 05, 30-</td>
<td>Sweaters, pull-overs, slipovers, jumpers, and cardigans, knitted or crocheted</td>
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<td>III. 61.01 ex 003, ex 008, 50-</td>
<td>Trousers, other than shorts, not knitted or crocheted men's and boys', women's and girls' wear</td>
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<td>Blouses, not knitted or crocheted, women's and girls' wear</td>
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Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 24 February 1977 with annexes, regarding limitation of the exports of certain textile products from Singapore to Sweden as per annexed certified true copy.

I have the honour to inform you that the understanding set forth in your letter is acceptable to the Government of Singapore and to confirm that your letter together with the present reply will constitute an agreement between the Government of Singapore and the Government of Sweden.

However, it is the understanding that the limitation shall apply only to products wholly or mainly of cotton and/or of man-made fibres.

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

(signed) Ridzwan Dzafir
Director
Department of Trade
Ministry of Finance
Republic of Singapore

Mr. R. Rasmusson,
Chargé d'Affaires a.i. of Sweden,
Singapore.

Singapore, 7 June 1977