ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Article 4 Notification

Amendment to the Agreement between
the United States and the Philippines

The Textiles Surveillance Body has received a notification from the United States of an amendment to its bilateral agreement with the Philippines, concluded under Article 4 of the Arrangement. 1/

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

1/ For details of the original agreement and a previous amendment, see COM.TEX/SB/421 and 492.

2/ See COM.TEX/SB/35, Annex B.
I, Gerald D. Gregory, Vice Consul of the United States of America at Manila, Philippines, duly commissioned and qualified, do hereby certify that attached Xerox copy of the Embassy's Note Verbal No. 491 dated 4 September 1979 is a true and faithful copy of a carbon copy initialled by A.J. Williams and E.J. Rankin.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the American Consular Services at Manila, Philippines, this 26th day of September 1979.

(Signed)

Gerald D. Gregory
Vice Consul of the United States of America

Republic of the Philippines
City of Manila
Embassy of the United States of America
Note No. 491

Manila, September 4, 1979

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles, with annexes, done at Geneva on December 20, 1973, and extended by a protocol adopted on December 14, 1977 at Geneva (The Arrangement). I also have the honor to refer to the United States - Philippine Agreement Relating to Trade in Cotton, Wool and Man-made Fiber Textiles and Textile Products, with annexes, affected by exchange of notes dated August 11, 1978. On behalf of the Government of the United States of America, I propose the following:

My Government agrees to create a new category, 645/646T to replace Category 646T. The new merged category will have the same specific levels for the life of the agreement as those previously provided for 646T.

The overshipment of Category 645/646NT in 1978 was 39,117 dozens. The difference between the level of this overshipment and 30,000 dozens, or 9,117 dozens, will be charged against the 1979 specific limit for His Excellency

Carlos P. Romulo,

Minister of Foreign Affairs,

Manila.
specific limit for Category 645T is currently 206,051 dozens, the amended level for merged Category 645/646T will be 196,964 dozens.

The remaining 30,000 dozens from the 1978 overshipment of Category 645/646NT will be charged against Category 645/646NT in equal annual installments over a period of six years beginning with 1980. During the three years of the current agreement beginning with 1980, the limitation levels for Category 645/646NT will, thus, be as follows:

1980 - 84,264 dozens
1981 - 86,942 dozens
1982 - 89,700 dozens

Since the provisions of this amendment extend beyond the life of the current bilateral agreement, our two Governments agree that, should the existing bilateral textile agreement not be renewed, the entire residual of the 1978 overshipment will be charged against the specific limit for Category 645/646NT for 1982, the final year of the present agreement.

The Government of the Republic of the Philippines recognizes the right of the Government of the United States of America to use the Tariff Schedules of the United States Annotated, to administer the traditional and non-traditional apparel categories found in Annex B of the United States - Philippine Bilateral Textile Agreement.

If the foregoing is acceptable to the Government of the Republic of the Philippines, this note and your Excellency’s note of confirmation on behalf of
the Government of the Republic of the Philippines shall constitute an agreement between the Governments of the United States of America and of the Republic of the Philippines amending the agreement accordingly.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.
I, Gerald D. Gregory, Vice Consul of the United States of America at Manila, Philippines, duly commissioned and qualified, do hereby certify that the attached Xerox copy of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs' Note No. 20822 dated 12 September 1979 is a true and faithful copy of the original.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the American Consular Services at Manila, Philippines, this 26th day of September 1979.

(Signed)
Gerald D. Gregory
Vice Consul of the United States of America

Republic of the Philippines )
City of Manila )
Embassy of the United States of America )
Excellency:

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your Excellency's Note No. 491 dated 4 September 1979 which reads as follows:

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His Excellency
Richard W. Murphy
Ambassador Extraordinary and
Plenipotentiary
United States of America
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I have the honour to confirm on behalf of the Philippine Government that the proposals as contained in your Excellency's note are acceptable to the Philippine Government and this note and your Note No. 491 of 4 September 1979 shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments thus amending the Agreement effected by Exchange of Notes on 11 August 1978 accordingly.

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

(Signed)

MANUEL COLLANTES
Acting Minister for Foreign Affairs