ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Articles 7 and 8

Bilateral Agreement between the United States and Mauritius

The TSB has received from the United States a notification, under Articles 7 and 8 of the MFA, of a new bilateral agreement concluded with Mauritius, valid for the period 1 October 1981 - 30 September 1985.

This notification has been made in accordance with the request by the Textiles Committee that agreements concluded with countries, non-participants in the Arrangement should be notified.

The TSB is circulating the agreement to participating countries for their information.
UNITED STATES NOTE

Brussels, 2 October 1981

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to consultations held on September 21 through 25 between representatives of the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Mauritius concerning trade in knit shirts and sweaters of cotton, wool and man-made fibers. On the basis of these consultations, I have the honor to propose the following agreement between our two Governments:

1. There is hereby established a Knitwear Group comprised of categories 338, 339, 345, 438, 445, 446, 638, 639, 645, 646. These categories are described in Annex A.

2. For the six-month periods from 1 October 1981 to 31 March 1982 and from 1 April 1982 to 30 September 1982, and for the twelve-month periods from 1 October 1982 to 30 September 1983, 1 October 1983 to 30 September 1984, and from 1 October 1984 to 30 September 1985, exports of the Knitwear Group defined in paragraph 1 from Mauritius to the United States are subject to the limits established by this agreement.

3. The limits for the Knitwear Group during the periods referred to in paragraph 2 shall be:

   1 October 1981 to 31 March 1982  113,000 dozen
   1 April 1982 to 30 September 1982  57,500 dozen
   1 October 1982 to 30 September 1983  115,000 dozen
   1 October 1983 to 30 September 1984  115,000 dozen
   1 October 1984 to 30 September 1985  115,000 dozen

4. During any period referred to in paragraph 2 exports may exceed the applicable limit prescribed in paragraph 3 by a maximum of 10 per cent by allocating to such limit an unused portion of the

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Brussels
Limit for the previous period (carryover) or a portion of the limit for the succeeding period (carry forward), provided that:

(A) Carryover may not be applied for the periods 1 October 1981 to 31 March 1982 and 1 April 1982 to 30 September 1982;

(B) Carryover may be utilized as available up to 10 per cent of the receiving period's limit;

(C) The combination of carryover and carry forward shall not exceed 10 per cent of the receiving period's applicable limit in any period;

(D) Carry forward may be utilized up to 7 per cent of the receiving period's limit and shall be charged against the immediately following period's corresponding limit;

(E) (1) Carryover of shortfall (as defined below) shall not be applied to any limit until the Governments of the United States and Mauritius have agreed upon the amount of shortfall involved;

(2) For purposes of the agreement, a shortfall occurs when exports of the Knitwear Group from Mauritius to the United States during a period are below the applicable limit as prescribed in paragraph 3. In the period following the shortfall, such exports from Mauritius to the United States may be permitted to exceed the applicable limit, subject to conditions set forth above, by carryover of shortfall, provided that: the carryover shall not exceed the amount of shortfall in any applicable limit.

5. The two Governments shall exchange statistics on exports and imports in the Knitwear Group established in paragraph 1 on a quarterly basis.

6. The two Governments agree to consult, upon the request of either Government, on any question arising in the implementation of this agreement.

7. If the foregoing conforms with the understanding of the Government of Mauritius, this note and Your Excellency's note of confirmation on behalf of the Government of Mauritius shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments.

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

(signed) D. Lamb
# ANNEX A

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5 October, 1981

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of your letter of 2 October, 1981, referring to the consultations held from 21 to 25 September in Geneva and recording the agreement proposed by the Government of Mauritius concerning trade in sweaters of cotton, wool, and man-made fibres and knits-shirts.

I have the honour to confirm on behalf of the Government of Mauritius that the agreement conforms with its understanding and that your letter under reference together with my reply thereto constitute an agreement between our two Governments.

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

(Raymond CHASLE)
Ambassador

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