ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 8:4

Amendment to the Export Visa System agreed between the United States and Sri Lanka

The Textiles Surveillance Body has received from the United States a notification concerning an amendment to the export visa system agreed with Sri Lanka. This amendment is notified under Article 8:4 of the MFA.

The TSB has examined this notification and is forwarding it to participating countries for their information.

1 The text of the export visa system is contained in COM.TEX/SB/499
SRI LANKA LETTER

July 14, 1982

Mr. John S. Bledgett,
Acting Counsellor of Embassy,
American Embassy,
44, Galle Face,
Colombo 5.

Dear Mr. Bledgett,


The visa system recognises the use by my government of a visa stamp carrying the words "Ministry of Textile Industries" in the bottom half of the circle of the stamp corresponding to the words "Government of Sri Lanka" on top. As the Greater Colombo Economic Commission is also authorised to issue expert visas, I would like to propose on behalf of my government that the visa system be amended to also recognise the use by my government of a visa stamp carrying the words "Greater Colombo Economic Commission" in the bottom half of the circle of the stamp corresponding to the words "Government of Sri Lanka" on top.

Enclosed are original unsigned copies of the "Ministry of Textile Industries" and "Greater Colombo Economic Commission" visa stamps, as well as a list of the names and facsimile signatures of the officials who will be authorised to issue these respective expert visas. If your government agrees to this proposed amendment please notify us of the date on which we should begin issuing the "Greater Colombo Economic Commission" visa stamps.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

(VINCENT PANDITA)
Secretary.

c.c. Mr. Z.P. Paul Perera,
Director General,
GC3C.
The names, designations and signatures of officials of the Ministry of Textile Industries authorized to issue and sign expert visas are given below. The stamp which will be placed on the "Special Customs Invoice" Form No. 5515, successor document or commercial invoice is also given.

1) Mrs. P.G.P. Abeyratne,
   Assistant Secretary(Expert) I
   Ministry of Textile Industries,
   Torrington Square,
   Colombo 7.

2) Mr. D.P. Balachandra,
   Assistant Secretary(Expert) II
   Ministry of Textile Industries,
   Torrington Square,
   Colombo 7.

[Signature]

[Signature]
ISSUE OF US SPECIAL CUSTOMS
INVOICE VISAS - GCEC EXPORTS

Names and designations of officials of the Greater Colombo
Economic Commission authorised to sign US Customs Invoice Form
No. 5515 in respect of GCEC exports and their specimen signatures
together with the specimen of stamp to be used in certifying the visas.

(a) Name: G.L. Umagiliya
Designation: Senior Manager -
Investor Services & Monitoring

Specimen Signature

Stamp with specimen signature.

(b) Name: P.L.C. Obeyesekere
Designation: Addl. Senior Manager -
Investor Services & Monitoring

Specimen Signature

Stamp with specimen signature.
(c) Name: W.H.C.A.T. Perera
Designation: Manager - Imports & Exports

Specimen Signature

Stamp with specimen signature.
Mr. Vincent Pandita  
Secretary  
Ministry of Textiles  
Torrington Square  
Colombo 7  

Dear Mr. Pandita:


The proposal contained in your letter of July 14, 1982 is acceptable to my government. You should begin issuing the "Greater Colombo Economic Commission" visa stamps in approximately eight weeks (I will advise you of the exact date in the near future).

Sincerely,

John S. Blodgett  
First Secretary