ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN COTTON TEXTILES

Information Submitted by Austria

Addendum

The following communication relating to the information set forth in COT/114 has been received by the Director-General from the Austrian Permanent Mission.

Further to my note of 20 September 1968¹ (No. 4247-A/68), I have the honour to transmit the attached text of the bilateral agreements concluded by Austria with India, Pakistan, United Arab Republic and Israel.

This notification is made under Article 4 of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Cotton Textiles.

¹ See document COT/114.
Sir,

I have the honour to refer to the negotiations between a delegation of Austria and a delegation of India held in Geneva on 21 March and 4 April 1967. As a result of these negotiations the following arrangement concerning imports of cotton textiles into Austria under the extended Long-Term Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Cotton Textiles has been agreed upon:

(1) Import quotas in metric tons for twelve-month period beginning:

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<td>Grey goods</td>
<td>220</td>
<td>240</td>
<td>260</td>
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<td>Terry towels and towelling</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>22</td>
<td>24</td>
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<td>Cotton yarn, finished fabrics, miscellaneous</td>
<td>35</td>
<td>38</td>
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<td>Total</td>
<td>275</td>
<td>300</td>
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(2) Upon presentation of export licences issued by the Indian authorities the competent Austrian authority will license the corresponding import within a period of three weeks. Upon application by importers the validity of Austrian licences of six months may be extended four times for an additional period of three months each.

Mr. B.N. Swarup,
Counsellor,
Permanent Mission of India,
Geneva.
(3) An undue concentration of imports of cotton textiles from India into Austria as regards categories and/or time shall be avoided. Accordingly, the Government of India will use its influence to space exports from India into Austria within each category evenly throughout the agreement year with due regard to seasonal factors.

(4) Periodic consultations regarding the conduct of exports of cotton textiles from India into Austria will be held if so desired by either party.

I should be very grateful if you would kindly confirm that this letter sets out correctly the understanding reached between both delegations.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my high consideration.

Rudolf Martins,
Ambassador
Letter No. 2

7 November 1967

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to your letter No. 1587-A/67 dated 7 April 1967, and to say that your letter, the text of which is reproduced below, correctly sets out the understanding reached between the delegations of India and Austria concerning the imports of cotton textiles into Austria under the extended Long-Term Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Cotton Textiles:

(See Letter No. 1)

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my high consideration.

B.N. Swarup,
Resident Representative of India to GATT
and UNCTAD

H.E. Mr. Rudolf Martins,
Ambassador,
Permanent Mission of Austria,
3, rue Varembé,
1202 Geneva.
Letter No. 1

AGREEMENT BETWEEN AUSTRIA AND PAKISTAN

Geneva, 18 December 1967

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to the negotiations which took place between the delegation of Austria (Mr. Rudolf Reiterer, Director-General, Mr. Gottfried Dinzl, Director, and Mr. Stellwag-Charbon) and the delegation of Pakistan (Mr. Osman Ali, Ambassador, and Mr. Akhtar Mahmood, Counsellor) in Geneva on 18, 21, 23 March and 5 April 1967, respectively. As a result of these negotiations, the two delegations agreed upon the following:

1. Austria will allow to Pakistan an annual retention quota of 100 metric tons for cotton textiles, i.e., cotton yarn, cotton fabrics, knitted goods of cotton, clothing and other made-up articles of cotton.

2. Import licences will be issued by the competent Austrian authority within a period of three weeks upon presentation of export authorizations issued by the authorities of Pakistan.

3. The validity of Austrian import licences of six months may be extended four times for an additional period of three months each upon application by importers.

4. An undue concentration of imports of cotton textiles other than grey goods from Pakistan into Austria as regards articles of cotton or time shall be avoided. The competent authorities of Pakistan will use their influence to space exports of cotton textiles other than grey goods from Pakistan into Austria evenly throughout the agreement year taking into consideration normal seasonal factors.

5. Periodic consultations regarding the conduct of exports of cotton textiles into Austria from Pakistan will be held if so desired by either party.

I should be grateful if you would kindly confirm that this letter sets out correctly the understanding reached between both delegations.

Accept, Sir, the assurance of my high consideration.

Rudolf Martins,
Ambassador

H.E. Mr. S. Osman Ali,
Ambassador,
Permanent Representative to
the Office of the United Nations
at Geneva,
Geneva.
Letter No. 2

9 May 1968

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. 5369-A/67 dated 18 December 1967 and to confirm that your letter sets out correctly the understanding reached between the delegations of Austria and Pakistan.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

S. Osman Ali,
Ambassador

H.E. Mr. Rudolf Martins,
Ambassador,
Permanent Representative of Austria to the European Office of the United Nations,
Geneva.
Sir,

I have the honour to refer to the negotiations which took place between a delegation of Austria and a delegation of the United Arab Republic in Geneva on 17 March 1967. As a result of these negotiations the following agreement concerning imports of cotton textiles from the United Arab Republic into Austria to be admitted under a renewed Long-Term Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Cotton Textiles was concluded between the delegations of both countries:

(1) Import quotas in metric tons for the twelve-month periods beginning:

- 1 October 1967: 50
- 1 October 1968: 50
- 1 October 1969: 50

(2) The aforementioned quotas may be utilized for imports into Austria of cotton textiles of any category in order to afford the flexibility asked for by the delegation of the United Arab Republic.

(3) Import licences will be issued by the competent Austrian authority up to the amount of these quotas granted to the United Arab Republic. Outside these quotas imports of yarn and of fabrics of cotton will be admitted for re-exportation after processing in Austria.

I should be grateful if you would kindly confirm that this note sets out correctly the understanding reached between both delegations.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my high consideration.

Gerhard Waas,
Secretary

Mr. Said Tallat Harb,
Counsellor,
Permanent Mission of the
United Arab Republic,
Geneva.
Geneva, 30 March 1967

Sir,

With reference to your note dated 22 March 1967 concerning the agreement reached between the delegations of the United Arab Republic and Austria on cotton textiles, I would like to confirm that the above-mentioned note sets out correctly the understanding reached between both delegations.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my high consideration.

Dr. Said T. Harb,
Head of the United Arab Republic delegation for Cotton Textiles

Mr. Gerhard Waas,
Secretary,
Permanent Mission of Austria,
Geneva.
 AGREEMENT BETWEEN AUSTRIA AND ISRAEL  

Vienna, 19 January 1968

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to the negotiations which took place between the Federal Ministry of Trade, Commerce and Industry and the Embassy of Israel in Vienna on 16 October and 6 and 8 November 1967. As a result of these negotiations the following arrangement concerning imports of cotton textiles from Israel to be admitted under the renewed Long-Term Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Cotton Textiles (LTA) has been agreed upon:

(1) Import quotas in metric tons for twelve-month period beginning:

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(2) An undue concentration of imports of cotton textiles from Israel into Austria as regards categories and/or time shall be avoided.

(3) Periodic consultations regarding the conduct of exports of cotton textiles from Israel into Austria will be held if so desired by either party.

I should be very grateful if you would kindly confirm that this letter sets out correctly the understanding reached.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my high consideration.

Emanuel Treu,
Minister Plenipotentiary

Mr. Itzhak E. Remez,
Commercial Attaché,
Embassy of Israel,
Vienna.
Letter No. 2

Vienna, 19 January 1968

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to your letter No. 77.983-I-5/67, dated 19 January 1968, concerning arrangement of imports of cotton textiles from Israel to be admitted under the renewed Long-Term Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Cotton Textiles (LTA), and would like to confirm that the above-mentioned letter sets out correctly the understanding reached between the Federal Ministry of Trade, Commerce and Industry and the Embassy of Israel in Vienna.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Itzhak Remez,
Commercial Attaché

Mr. Emanuel Treu,
Minister Plenipotentiary,
Federal Ministry of Trade,
Commerce and Industry,
Vienna.