ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4:4

Modification of the Bilateral Agreement
between the United States and Japan

Note by the Chairman

Attached is a notification received from the United States concerning a further modification of the bilateral agreement with Japan, introducing agreed restraints on imports of wool suits (Category 444).

1The original bilateral agreement, its extension and previous amendment are contained in COM.TEX/SB/498, 794 and 795.

*English only/Anglais seulement/Inglés solamente.
July 13, 1984

The Honorable
Ambassador Marcelo Raffaelli
Chairman, Textiles Surveillance Body
GATT
154 rue de Lausanne
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Dear Mr. Chairman:

Pursuant to the provisions of paragraph 4 of Article 4 of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles, I am instructed by my government to inform the Textiles Surveillance Body that a new restraint has been agreed upon pursuant to the consultation procedures set out in paragraph 4 of the cotton, wool and man-made fiber textiles agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Japan.

This new restraint, which is set out in attachments to this letter, was sought in order to address a real risk of market disruption with respect to the product concerned.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Shepherd
Minister-Counselor
June 14, 1984

THE UNITED STATES AND JAPAN
AMEND THEIR ARRANGEMENT
CONCERNING TRADE IN TEXTILES

The United States and Japan effected an amendment to their existing Arrangement concerning Trade in Cotton, Wool and Man-made Fiber Textiles by means of the Record of Discussion relating to their consultations held in October and November 1983. Text of that Record of Discussion follows:

RECC. OF DISCUSSION

Washington, D.C.
May 25, 1984

In connection with the consultation between the representatives of the Government of Japan and the Government of the United States of America held on October 3 and in November 1983 pursuant to the Arrangement between the Government of Japan and the Government of the United States of America concerning Trade in Cotton, Wool and Man-made Fiber Textiles between Japan and the United States of America effected by the Exchange of Notes of August 17, 1979, as amended, the representatives of the two Governments wish to record the following:

The representative of the Delegation of the Government of the United States of America explained the import situation with respect to the Women's, Girls' and Infants' Wool Suits (Category TQ 444 of the U.S. Correlation of January 1982) (hereinafter referred to as "the item") and requested Japanese cooperation by limiting the export of the item from Japan. The representative of the Delegation of the Government of Japan expressed his Government's readiness and intention, as a result of the consultation, to see to it that the export of the item from Japan to the United States of America not exceed the following levels to which the representative of the Delegation of the Government of the United States concurred:

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<th>Exporting country</th>
<th>Product (Category No. and unit)</th>
<th>Level to be reached before consultations may be asked</th>
<th>Level and date at which the call was made (Roll-back)</th>
<th>Previous year's imports (%)&lt;sup&gt;1&lt;/sup&gt;</th>
<th>Minimum level for the restraint if no agreement reached</th>
<th>Restraint level set</th>
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<td>JAPAN</td>
<td>444 - DOZ</td>
<td>NA</td>
<td>15,087 (8/83)</td>
<td>13,166 (15.33%) 82</td>
<td>15,992</td>
<td>17,000 (1983)</td>
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<sup>1</sup>The relevant date/period is indicated between brackets.