ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4:4

Modification of the Bilateral Agreement
between the EEC and Macao

Note by the Chairman

Attached is a notification from the Commission of the European Communities concerning a modification of the EEC/Macao Article 4 agreement. A new agreed regional restraint has been introduced on imports into Ireland of woven industrial and occupational clothing (Category 76) from Macao for the period 1984 to 1986.

*The original agreement and previous modifications are contained in COM.TEX/SB/976, 989, 990, 991 and 992

*English only/Anglais seulement/Inglés solamente
Dear Ambassador,

In connection with the European Economic Community's Agreement on trade in textile products with Macao initialled on 3 July 1982 and negotiated pursuant to Article 4 of the Arrangement as extended by the 1981 Protocol of Extension, I have the honour to inform you of the following.

During the course of 1984 imports of woven industrial and occupational clothing (category 76) from Macao into Ireland exceeded 2 tonnes, being the level at which the Community could ask for consultations with a view to establishing a regional limit under the provisions of Article 5 of the bilateral Agreement. The Community having deemed that there was real risk of market disruption in this case, the two sides consulted on 29 October 1984 in pursuance of Article 16 of the Agreement. As a result of these consultations, and in conformity with the provisions of the Agreement, Macao agreed to limit exports to Ireland as follows:

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<th>Category</th>
<th>Unit</th>
<th>Member State</th>
<th>1984</th>
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<td>76</td>
<td>Tonnes</td>
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This new limit contained in the Agreed Minute annexed to this letter, is herewith communicated under Article 4, Paragraph 4, of the Arrangement, as a modification to the Community's Agreement with Macao notified in 1984 and circulated under COM/TEX/84/974 to the T.S.B.

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1. A delegation of Macao and a delegation of the European Communities met on 29 October 1984 in Brussels for consultations pursuant to Articles 7 and 16 of the Agreement on trade in textiles initialled on 3 December 1982.

2. As a result of the consultations, Macao agreed to limit its exports of products falling under category 76 to Ireland to the following levels:

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3. It is the understanding of both parties that the provisions of the Agreement which concerns exports of products subject to quantitative limits established in Annex II shall apply to exports of the products mentioned from 1 January 1984. It is understood that export licences for the category concerned are being issued from 20 September 1984.

For the Delegation of Macao

For the Delegation of the European Communities
a) Date when new limit was agreed - 29 October 1984
b) Basket Exit level (Group II : 1 % ) - 2 tonnes
c) Provisional limit introduced pending outcome of consultations -
d) Level of new agreed limit - 7 tonnes
e) First year of application of new limit - 1984
f) Annual growth - 14.5 %
g) Date when consultations were requested - 20 September 1984
h) Recorded imports at date of request - 5 tonnes
i) Period covered by h) - 6 months 1984
j) Imports during calendar year preceding year during which consultation was requested - 3 tonnes