ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4:4

Extension of the Bilateral Agreement between Finland and Sri Lanka

Note by the Chairman

Attached is a notification received from Finland extending its Article 4 agreement covering men's and boys' shirts of cotton and man-made fibres, with Sri Lanka for the period 1 June 1984 to 31 December 1986.

1 The text of the original bilateral agreement is contained in COM.TEX/85/735

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

With reference to Article 4 of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles (hereinafter referred to as the MFA), done at Geneva on December 2, 1973, and to the Protocol extending the MFA, done at Geneva, December 22, 1981, I have the honour to notify the Textile surveillance Body of an extension of the Memorandum of Understanding between Finland and Sri Lanka (notified in document Com. Tex./SB/735 on November 23, 1981) that provides for limitations to the exports to Finland from Sri Lanka of mens' and boys' shirts of cotton and man-made fibres. Restraints are effective from June 1, 1984 to December 31, 1986. The quantitative limits shall be 70,000 pieces per each of the periods June 1, 1984 to May 31, 1985 and June 1, 1985 to May 31, 1986 and 40,833 pieces for the period June 1 to December 31, 1986.

The Government of Finland believes this extension of the Memorandum of Understanding is in conformity with the provision of the MFA and its protocol of Extension.

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

[Signature]
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Counsellor

Ambassador M. Raffaelli
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Textiles Surveillance Body
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Mr. Sakri Erdöghja,
First Secretary (Development Cooperation)
Embassy of Finland,
Colombo.

Dear Sir,

I wish to refer to your letter of 1st June 1984 addressed to the Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs regarding the memorandum of understanding on the Textile Trade between Sri Lanka and Finland signed in Colombo on 16th September 1981, which was extended until 31st December 1986.

Sri Lanka authorities have no objection to the agreement being finalised on the basis of quota figures mentioned in your above quoted letter.

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

Yours faithfully,

[Signature]

or Secretary/Foreign Affairs
No. 127

1st June, 1984

The Secretary,
Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
Republic Building,
Colombo 1.

Dear Sir,

Referring to the understanding reached between us, I have the honour to suggest that the validity of the present Memorandum of Understanding concerning textile trade between Finland and Sri Lanka, signed in Colombo on 16th September, 1981, be extended until 31st December, 1986. The quantitative limits for the products specified in Annex I to the Memorandum of Understanding shall be 70,000 pieces per each of the periods 1st June 1984 to 31st May 1985 and 1st June 1985 to 31st May 1986, and 40,833 pieces for the period 1st June to 31st December 1986.

If this suggestion is suitable to the Government of Sri Lanka, I propose that this letter and the Ministry’s answer thereto shall constitute an Agreement between our two Governments and which shall enter into force on the date of the Ministry’s reply.

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

Yours faithfully,

[Signature]

Sakari Eraopahe
First Secretary (Development Cooperation)