ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4:4

Modification of the Bilateral Agreement
between the United States and Hong Kong

Note by the Chairman

Attached is a notification received from the United States of a modification of a further modification of its bilateral agreement with Hong Kong. The parties agreed to limits on Categories 360 and 637 for the 1985 agreement year. The 1985 limit on Category 637 was converted into a specific limit.¹

¹The original bilateral agreement and previous modifications are contained in COM.TEX/SB/818, 888, 910, 945, 946, 968, 1026 and 1057.

*English only/Anglais seulement/Inglés solamente

86-0355
March 6, 1986

The Honorable
Ambassador Marcelo Raffaelli
Chairman, Textiles Surveillance Body
GATT
Rue De Lausanne 154
1211 Geneva

Dear Mr. Chairman:

This is to notify the TSB that the United States and Hong Kong agreed on two limits during 1985—categories 360 (cotton pillowcases) and 637 (mmf playsuits)—pursuant to paragraph 7 of the U.S.-Hong Kong bilateral agreement and that, as stated in the enclosed letter, the U.S. elected to convert category 637 to a specific limit for the life of the arrangement. The limit for category 360 was not so converted.

The call dates were August 1 for category 637 and August 29 for category 360. The formula levels according to paragraph 7(c) and the 1985 limits agreed upon by the U.S. and Hong Kong were the same, i.e., 142,007 dozen for category 637 and 1,044,079 units for category 360.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Shepherd
Minister-Counselor

Enclosure
January 21, 1986

AMENDMENT TO THE BILATERAL TEXTILE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND HONG KONG

In accordance with the terms of the bilateral textile agreement between the United States and the Government of Hong Kong, the United States has converted certain categories to specific limit categories beginning with the 1986 agreement year.

UNITED STATES LETTER

Washington
December 24, 1985

Mr. Peter Y.P. Lo
Counselor
Hong Kong Commercial Affairs
British Embassy
Hong Kong Office
3100 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20008

Dear Mr. Lo:

I refer to the Agreement on Trade in Cotton, Wool and Man-made Fiber Textiles and Textile Products between the Government of the United States and the Government of Hong Kong dated June 22, 1982, as amended (the "Agreement") and to various consultations held between our two Governments under paragraph 7 of the Agreement during the 1985 agreement year. In accordance with Paragraph 7 (E) (iv) of the Agreement, the Government of the United States has decided to convert the category listed below to a specific limit category effective beginning with the 1986 agreement year.
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<th>Category</th>
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Sincerely,

Paul P. Pilkauskas
Chief, Textile Division
Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs

Limit for 1985 Agreement Year

Cat. 360 1,044,079 units