ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4:4

Modification of the Extension of the Bilateral Agreement between the United States and Maldives

Note by the Chairman

Attached is a notification received from the United States of a modification to the extension of its bilateral agreement with Maldives.¹

¹The bilateral agreement is contained in COM.TEX/SB/1029. The text of the extension is contained in TEX.SB/1215.
December 19, 1986

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

Dear Ambassador Raffaelli:

Further to my earlier notification of a three-year extension of the U.S.-Maldives bilateral textile agreement, (distributed as Tex. SB/1215) I herewith notify a modification to that extension.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Shepherd
Minister Counsellor

Enclosure
July 16, 1986

UNITED STATES AND MALDIVES AMEND
BILATERAL TEXTILE AGREEMENT

The United States and Maldives amended their bilateral textile agreement on wool products. Texts of the letters follow:

UNITED STATES LETTER

Male, July 16, 1986

Honorable Fathulla Jameel
Ministry of Foreign Affairs
Republic of Maldives

Dear Mr. Minister;

I have the honor to refer to the arrangement regarding international trade in textiles, with annexes, done at Geneva on December 20, 1973 and extended by protocols adopted December 14, 1977 and December 22, 1981 (The Arrangement). I also have the honor to refer to the Agreement on Textiles between the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Maldives dated September 19, 1984 (The Agreement) and to the extension of the Agreement, effected by exchange of notes dated January 6, 1986 and January 14, 1986.

On behalf of my Government, I propose that the extension of the Agreement be amended to establish the following specific limit for Category 445/446:

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The Government of the Republic of Maldives shall limit annual exports of Category 445/446 to the United States to the limits set out above, with the total of the three years not to exceed 151,500 dozens.

For more information contact: EB/TEX:ELIZABETH EWING (202) 647-2690
If the above proposal is acceptable to your Government, this note and your response on behalf of your Government shall constitute an amendment to the Agreement between our two Governments.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

MALDIVES LETTER
October 13, 1986

His Excellency Mr. James W. Spain,
Embassy of the United States of America,
Colombo,
Sri Lanka.

Dear Mr. Ambassador,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of Your Excellency's letter dated 16 July 1986, which read as follows:-

"Dear Mr. Minister,

I have the honour to refer to the arrangement regarding international trade in textiles, with annexes, done at Geneva on December 20, 1973 and extended by protocols adopted December 14, 1977 and December 22, 1981 (The Arrangement). I also have the honour to refer to the Agreement on Textiles between the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Maldives dated September 19, 1984 (The Agreement) and to the extension of the Agreement, effected by exchange of notes dated January 6, 1986 and January 14, 1986.

On behalf of my Government, I propose that the extension of the Agreement be amended to establish the following specific limit for Category 445/446."
The Government of the Republic of Maldives shall limit annual exports of Category 445/446 to the United States to the limits set out above, with the total of the three years not to exceed 151,500 dozens.

If the above proposal is acceptable to your Government, this note and your response on behalf of your Government shall constitute an amendment to the Agreement between our two Governments.

I have further the honour to confirm on behalf of the Government of the Republic of Maldives, the foregoing proposal and to agree that your letter and this letter shall constitute an amendment to the Agreement between the Government of Maldives and the Government of the United States of America, effective from July 16th, 1986.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurances of my highest consideration.