ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4:4

Amendment of the Bilateral Agreement between
the United States and Malaysia

Note by the Chairman

Attached is a notification received from the United States of an amendment of its bilateral agreement with Malaysia. Specific limits were agreed on Categories 647/648, 369-S, 634, 635, 645/646, 641 and 636.1

1 The bilateral agreement between the parties is contained in COM.TEX/SB/1118.

* English only/Anglais seulement/Inglés solamente

86-0815
The Honorable
Ambassador Marcelo Raffaelli
Chairman, Textiles Surveillance Body
GATT
Rue De Lausanne 154
1211 Geneva

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 of the further amendment of the cotton, wool and man-made fiber textile agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Malaysia.

The amendment establishes seven new specific limits for the remainder of the agreement. The categories involved are 647/648, 369-S, 634, 635, 645/646, 641, and 636. The United States sought these restraints with a view to eliminating a real risk of market disruption.

Additional data to facilitate preparation of a fact sheet will be provided separately.

Enclosed are copies of the notes giving effect to this amendment.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Shepherd
Minister-Counselor

Enclosure: (As stated)
UNITED STATES AND MALAYSIA AMEND
BILATERAL TEXTILE AGREEMENT

The United States and Malaysia exchanged notes in Malaysia to effect an amendment to the bilateral textile agreement between the two governments. Texts of the notes follow.

UNITED STATES NOTE

Kuala Lumpur
December 12, 1985

Dear Sir:

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 the Protocol adopted on December 22, 1981. I also have the honor to refer to the Agreement on Textiles between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Malaysia effected by notes exchanged on July 1 and July 11, 1985 (hereinafter referred to as the Agreement), and to consultations held in Washington, D.C. from November 18 to November 20, 1985.
The Bilateral Textile Agreement (the Agreement) shall be amended to establish the specific limits for the duration of the Agreement as listed below.

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(not more than 65 percent in knits beginning in 1986)

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<td>283,333 lbs.</td>
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<td>634</td>
<td>75,000 doz.</td>
<td>238,500 doz.</td>
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<td>604,200 doz.</td>
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Growth of 6 percent shall be available in future years.

Swing, carryover, and carryforward shall be available pursuant to the provisions of paragraph 5 of the Agreement.

If the above 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, Sir, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

GOVERNMENT OF MALAYSIA NOTE

Kuala Lumpur
December 19, 1985

His Excellency Thomas P. Shoesmith,
Ambassador of the United States of America,
Embassy of the United States of America,
376, Jalan Tun Abdul Razak,
KUALA LUMPUR.

Excellency,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your Note No. 442 dated 12th. December, 1985, regarding an amendment to Annex B of the Agreement on Textiles between the Government of Malaysia and the United States of America dated July 11, 1985, which reads as follows:-

"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 the Protocol adopted on December 22, 1981. I also have the honour to refer to the Agreement on Textiles between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Malaysia effected by notes exchanged on July 1 and July 11, 1985 (hereinafter referred to as the Agreement), and to consultations held in Washington, D.C. from November 18 to November 20, 1985.

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If the above 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, Sir, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration."

2. I also have the honour to confirm that the above proposal is acceptable to the Government of Malaysia and that Your Excellency's Note and this reply on behalf of my Government shall constitute an Amendment to the Agreement between our two governments.

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

Yours sincerely,

(ASMAT BIN KAMALUDIN)
for Secretary General,
Ministry of Trade and Industry,
MALAYSIA.