ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Articles 7 and 8

Amendment of the Bilateral Agreement between the United States and Mauritius

Note by the Chairman

Attached is a notification received from the United States of an amendment of its agreement with Mauritius. Restraints were agreed on Categories 331, 341/641, 347/348 and 640 for the period 1 April 1986 to 30 September 1990.¹

*English only/Anglais seulement/Inglés solamente

¹The text of the bilateral agreement is contained in COM.TEX/SB/1092.
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December 18, 1986

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

Dear Ambassador Raffaelli:

Pursuant to the provisions of Articles 7 and 8 of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles, I am instructed by my government to inform the Textile Surveillance Body of the amendment of the cotton, wool and man-made fiber textile agreement between the United States of America and the Government of Mauritius.

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

Sincerely,

Robert E. Shepherd  
Minister Counsellor

Enclosures
UNITED STATES AND MAURITIUS AMEND
BILATERAL TEXTILE AGREEMENT

The United States and Mauritius exchanged letters dated October 7, 1986 and September 29, 1986 to amend their bilateral textile agreement. Texts of the letters follow:

UNITED STATES NOTE

Port Louis, September 29, 1986

No. 131

The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Ministry of External Affairs and Emigration and has the honor to refer to consultations held September 6 through 10, 1986 between representatives of the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Mauritius in Port Louis concerning certain cotton and man-made fiber textile products. The Embassy also has the honor to refer to the agreement on cotton, wool, and man-made fiber textiles and textile products between our two governments, effected by exchange of notes dated June 3 and 4, 1985 (The Agreement).

On behalf of the Government of the United States of America, the Embassy proposes that Annex A of the Agreement be amended as follows:

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<td>Cotton and Man-made fiber Blouses, not knit</td>
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<td>347/348</td>
<td>Cotton trousers and shorts</td>
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<td>Man-made fiber shirts, not knit</td>
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The Embassy also proposes that Annex B be amended as follows:

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For agreement year from October 1, 1986 - September 30, 1987, special shift into category 341/641 totaling 20 percent shall be available from categories 338/339 and 638/639. For category 341/641, no swing shall be available for the October 1, 1986 agreement year.

The Embassy further proposes that 1986 overshipments of 50,000 dozens above the restraint on category 341 shall be paid back at a rate of 1.2 to 1. These charges, which amount to 60,000 dozens, shall be charged against category 341/641 over the last three years of the Agreement. The Government of the United States and the Government of Mauritius shall consult prior to September 30, 1987 to determine how the charges will be spaced.

If these proposals are acceptable to the Government of Mauritius, then this note and the Government of Mauritius' note of confirmation shall constitute an amendment to the Agreement.

The Embassy of the United States of America avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministry of External Affairs and Emigration the assurances of its highest consideration.
H. E. Mr. R. Perry,
Chargé d'Affaires a.i.
Embassy of the U.S. of America,
Port Louis.

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to your letter dated 25th September 1986 and annexures relating to the consultations held in September 1986 between representatives of the Government of Mauritius and the Government of the United States of America on the subject of export from Mauritius of garments.

I am pleased to state that the content of your letter of 26th September 1986 conforms with the understanding of the Government of Mauritius.

Yours sincerely,

(Dr. B. Ghurbarrun)
Minister