Textiles Surveillance Body

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4

Amendment of Bilateral Agreement between the United States and Korea

Note by the Chairman

Attached is a notification received from the United States of an amendment of its bilateral agreement with Korea. The 1986 base level for the Group I limit was adjusted upwards and limits were agreed on two categories.¹

¹The text of the bilateral agreement as extended and modified is contained in TEX.SB/1317.

* English only/Anglais seulement/Inglés solamente
March 20, 1987

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

Dear Ambassador Raffaelli:

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 two amendments of the bilateral textile agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Korea:

(1) An increase in the base limit for Group I from 417,624,985 square yards equivalent (SYE) to 426,325,725 SYE for the 1986 Agreement year with the previously agreed growth rates for the 1987, 1988, and 1989 agreement years. This increase was agreed upon to reflect an upward revision by the United States of 1985 import data which had served as the basis of the originally agreed 1986 Base Limit for Group I.

(2) Establishment of two new agreed limits for the 1986 agreement year, which the United States has elected to convert to specific limits for the remainder of the agreement. The U.S. had requested consultations pursuant to the consultation
provisions of the bilateral with respect to these categories in April 1986, as shown below:

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<tr>
<th>Category</th>
<th>&quot;Call&quot; Date</th>
<th>Formula Level</th>
<th>Agreed 1986 Level</th>
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<tr>
<td>650 (cotton dressing gowns)</td>
<td>11 April 86</td>
<td>15,235 doz.</td>
<td>18,332 doz.</td>
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<tr>
<td>363 (cotton towels)</td>
<td>24 April 86</td>
<td>1,685,284 units</td>
<td>1,685,284 units</td>
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</tbody>
</table>

Sincerely,

Robert E. Shepherd
Minister Counsellor
UNITED STATES AND KOREA AMEND
BILATERAL TEXTILE AGREEMENT

The United States and Korea exchanged letters to effect an amendment to their bilateral textile agreement between the two governments. Texts of the letters follow:

UNITED STATES LETTER

January 20, 1987

Mr. Hwan Eik Cho
Assistant Commercial Attache
Embassy of the Republic of Korea
2320 Massachusetts Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20008

Dear Mr. Cho:

I have the honor to refer to the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles (hereinafter referred to as the Arrangement), done at Geneva on December 20, 1973, as extended by protocol on July 31, 1986, and to the Agreement between the United States of America and the Republic of Korea relating to trade in cotton, wool, man-made, silk-blend and vegetable fiber textiles and textile products, with Annexes, effected by exchange of notes dated November 21, 1986, and December 4, 1986 (the Agreement).

I have the honor to propose, on behalf of my Government, the following amendment to the Agreement:

Annex B

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<td>Group I</td>
<td>426,325,725</td>
<td>430,972,675</td>
<td>435,842,667</td>
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(SYE)

For more information contact: EB/TEX: SUSAN SALEM (202) 647-2777
If this change is acceptable to the Government of the Republic of Korea, this letter and your letter of confirmation shall constitute an amendment to the Agreement.

Sincerely,

Anne D. Jillson
Deputy Chief,
Textiles Division
Bureau of Economic and
Business Affairs

KOREA LETTER

February 11, 1987

Mrs. Ann D. Jillson
Deputy Chief,
Textiles Division
Bureau of Economic and
Business Affairs
U.S. Department of State
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mrs. Jillson:

I am pleased to confirm that the following change proposed by your Government in your letter of January 20, 1987 is acceptable to my Government.

Annex B

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<td>441,159,947</td>
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This letter and your letter of January 20, 1987 constitute an amendment to the bilateral Agreement between our two Governments.

Sincerely,

Hwan-Eik Cho
Commercial Attaché
UNITED STATES LETTER

Mr. Hwan Eik Cho
Commercial Attaché
Embassy of the Republic of Korea
2320 Massachusetts Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20008

Dear Mr. Cho:

I refer to the bilateral Agreement regarding trade in cotton, wool, man-made, silk-blend and other vegetable fiber textiles and textile products between the Government of the United States and the Government of the Republic of Korea effected by exchange of letters dated November 21, 1986 and December 4, 1986 (the Agreement), and to various consultations held between our two Governments during 1986.

Pursuant to these consultations, both Governments have agreed to establish the following agreed limits for categories 650 and 363 for the 1986 agreement year:

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<th>UNIT</th>
<th>1986 AGREED LIMIT</th>
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<td>650</td>
<td>DRESSING GOWNS</td>
<td>DOZ</td>
<td>18,332</td>
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<td>363</td>
<td>TERRY AND OTHER PILE TOWELS</td>
<td>NOS</td>
<td>1,658,284</td>
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In accordance with paragraph 7 of the Agreement, the United States has decided to convert categories 363 and 650 to specific limit categories beginning with the 1987 Agreement year. Categories 363 and 650 will be added to Annex B and will be included in Groups I and II respectively.
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<th>CATEGORY</th>
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<th>1987 SPECIFIC LIMIT</th>
<th>PERCENT GROWTH</th>
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<td>650</td>
<td>DRESSING GOWNS</td>
<td>DOZ</td>
<td>18,790</td>
<td>2.5</td>
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<td>363</td>
<td>TERRY AND OTHER PILE TOWELS</td>
<td>NOS</td>
<td>1,699,741</td>
<td>2.5</td>
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Pursuant to the bilateral consultations between our two Governments during 1986, the United States has also decided to drop its request for consultations on Category 626.

If this conforms to the understanding of your Government, this letter and your letter of confirmation on behalf of your Government shall constitute an amendment to the Agreement.

Sincerely,

Anne D. Jillson
Deputy Chief, Textiles Division
Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs

KOREA LETTER

December 23, 1986

Anne D. Jillson
Deputy Chief, Textile Division
Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs
U.S. Department of State
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Ms. Jillson:

I refer to your letter of December 18, 1986 concerning various consultations held between our two Governments during 1986.

I am also pleased to confirm the 1986 agreed limits and the 1987 specific limits for category 650 and 363 as stated in your letter.
If the above conforms to the understanding of your Government, this letter and your letter will constitute an amendment to the bilateral agreement.

Sincerely,

Hwan Eik Cho
Commercial Attache