ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4
Amendment of the bilateral agreement
between the United States and Turkey

Note by the Chairman

Attached is a notification received from the United States of a further amendment to its bilateral agreement with Turkey. Specific limits were agreed for Categories 300/301 (cotton yarn), 604 (mmf yarn), 337 (cotton playsuits) and 347 (men's cotton trousers) for the period 1 July 1987 to 30 June 1990. Categories 300/301 and 604-0 (other than acrylic spun yarn) were previously subject to designated consultation levels.1

1The bilateral agreement and previous amendments are contained in COM.TEX/SB/1131, 1196 and 1282.

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88-0355
March 3, 1988

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 the further amendment of the bilateral textile agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Turkey.

This amendment establishes four new specific limits and one sublimit for the period July 1, 1987 through June 30, 1990:

(1) Category 300/301 (cotton yarn) had been a DCL at 5,500,000 lbs, increased for the 1986/87 agreement year to 6,400,000 lbs; the new SL is set at 6,890,000 lbs.

(2) Category 604 (mmf yarn) had formerly been divided into:

(a) an SL for 604A (acrylic spun yarn) with a notional annual level of 730,340 lbs; and

(b) a DCL for 604-O (other mmf yarns) at 850,000 lbs, increased for the 1986-87 agreement year to 935,000 lbs.

The new SL is set at 1,775,000 lbs.

(3) Categories 337 (cotton playsuits) and 347 (men's cotton trousers) had been the subject of Article 3 calls as follows:

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<td>337</td>
<td>June 1987</td>
<td>39,527</td>
<td>75,000</td>
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<td>347</td>
<td>June 1987</td>
<td>307,845</td>
<td>600,000 (207,000)</td>
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Growth is set at 6%; swing at 7% and carryover/carry forward at 11/6%.

Attached hereto are copies of the notes giving effect to this amendment.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Shepherd
Minister Counselor

Attachment
January 14, 1988

UNITED STATES AND TURKEY AMEND
BILATERAL TEXTILE AGREEMENT

The United States and Turkey amended their Bilateral Textile Agreement by exchange of notes on November 10, 1987 and December 11, 1987. Text of the notes follow:

UNITED STATES NOTE

November 10, 1987

The Secretary of State presents his compliments to His Excellency the Ambassador of Turkey and refers to the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles, done at Geneva on December 20, 1973 and subsequently amended and extended, and to the Agreement between the United States of America and the Republic of Turkey on Bilateral Textile Trade of October 18, 1985 and subsequently amended by Exchanges of Notes on July 30 and August 1, 1986; October 24 and November 13, 1986; and January 22 and March 25, 1987. The Secretary of State also refers to consultations held in Geneva, October 14-16, 1987 between the Governments of the United States and the Republic of Turkey concerning Turkish exports of apparel to the United States.

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On behalf of the Government of the United States of America, the Secretary proposes that the Agreement shall be amended to establish the Specific Limits listed below:

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<td>300/301</td>
<td>6,890,000 lbs.</td>
<td>7,303,400 lbs.</td>
<td>7,741,604 lbs.</td>
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<td>337</td>
<td>75,000 Doz.</td>
<td>79,500 Doz.</td>
<td>84,270 Doz.</td>
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<td>347</td>
<td>600,000 Doz.</td>
<td>636,000 Doz.</td>
<td>674,160 Doz.</td>
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<td>347-T</td>
<td>(270,000 Doz.)</td>
<td>(286,200 Doz.)</td>
<td>(303,372 Doz.)</td>
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<td>(Only Trousers and Slacks)</td>
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<td>604</td>
<td>1,775,000 lbs.</td>
<td>1,881,500 lbs.</td>
<td>1,994,390 lbs.</td>
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The Government of the Republic of Turkey will restrain for the three year period beginning July 1, 1987 its exports to the United States of textiles to the specific limits set out above, as such specific limits may be adjusted by flexibility adjustments. Each "Agreement Year" shall be a twelve-month period from July 1 of a given year to June 30 of the following year. The Government of Turkey shall administer its export control system under this agreement. The Government of the United States may assist the Government of Turkey in implementing the limitation provisions of this Agreement by controlling imports on the basis of the date of shipment of textiles and textile products covered by this agreement.

Overshipment of category 604-0 during the July 1, 1986 through June 30, 1987 agreement period will be deducted equally from the Specific Limits of Category 604 for the three agreement periods established under this agreement.
Swing of 7 percent, and combined carryover/carryforward of 11 percent of which not more than 6 percent shall be carryforward shall be available for the above Specific Limits. The definitions and use of flexibility for the Specific Limits established herein will be subject for the entire period to the conditions set forth in Paragraph 3 of the Notes exchanged July 30 and August 1, 1986, by the United States and the Republic of Turkey.

Categories 604-A and 604-O are merged into category 604 at the Specific Limit established above. The existing Specific Limit for category 604-A for the period January 1, 1987 through December 31, 1987, shall be amended to apply only to the period January 1, 1987 through June 30, 1987 at a level of 365,170 lbs.

Nothing in this Agreement shall prejudice the rights of either party in the resolution of any subsequent textile trade issue.

If this proposal is acceptable to the Government of the Republic of Turkey this note together with a note of confirmation on behalf of the Republic of Turkey shall constitute an amendment to the Agreement on Bilateral Textile Trade.
The Embassy of the Turkish Republic presents its compliments to the Department of State and referring to the Department's note concerning the consultations held in Geneva, October 14-16, 1987, between the Governments of United States and the Republic of Turkey on Turkish exports of apparel to the United States, has the honor to inform that the said proposal is acceptable to the Government of Turkey. The Embassy assumes that "shall be" of Page 3, first paragraph, second line of the Department's note appears inadvertently and therefore should be deleted.

The Embassy of the Turkish Republic avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Department of State the assurances of its highest consideration.

December 11, 1987