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 an amendment to its agreement with Turkey. Product coverage was increased by the inclusion of Category 336/636 (dresses) with a restraint agreed on this category for the period 30 September 1988 to 30 June 1991.\(^1\)

\(^1\)The bilateral agreement between the parties is contained in COM.TEX/SB/1494.

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March 29, 1990

The Honorable
Ambassador Marcelo Raffaelli
Chairman, Textiles Surveillance Body
General Agreement on Tariffs & Trade
Rue de Lausanne 154
1211 Geneva

Dear Ambassador Raffaelli:

Attached hereto are copies of notes exchanged between the Governments of the United States and Turkey to establish a restraint on cotton and mmf dresses (category 336/636), thereby amending the U.S.-Turkish bilateral textile agreement accordingly.

The U.S. requested consultations with Turkey under Article 3.3 of the MFA in September 1988 to deal with a case of market disruption caused by imports from Turkey of this product. The two parties reached agreement on a restraint under Article 4 of the MFA in March 1989. The reference level (rollback level) for this category was 109,998 dozen for the year ending 9/88. The notional annual level was agreed at 204,000 dozen, an increase of 85 percent. Growth was set at 21 percent for the first year and 6 percent for the second. Swing is set at 7 percent; carryover/carry forward is set at 11/6 percent, except that carryover is limited to 13,000 dozen (8.6 percent) between the agreement period ending on 30 June 1989 and the period ending 30 June 1990.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Shepherd
Minister Counsellor
The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Turkey and has the honor to refer to the Agreement between the United States of America and the Republic of Turkey on Bilateral Textile Trade effected by exchange of notes dated October 15, 1966, and November 16, 1968. The Embassy further refers to the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles, done at Geneva on December 20, 1973, and subsequently amended and extended (hereinafter referred to as the Arrangement). The Embassy also refers to discussions held between representatives of the two governments March 20-21, 1969, in Ankara concerning U.S. imports of certain textile products of Turkish origin.

As a result of these discussions, the Embassy has the honor to propose amending the Agreement to include the following specific limit:

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<th>September 30, 1966-</th>
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<td>336/636</td>
<td>153,000 DOZEN</td>
<td>247,000 DOZEN</td>
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Flexibility adjustments shall conform to those set forth in the Agreement, except that carryover from the first period (September 30, 1966 through June 30, 1989) to the succeeding period (July 1, 1989 through June 30, 1990) shall not exceed 13,000 dozens.
If the foregoing conforms to the understanding of the Government of Turkey, this note and the Turkish Government's note of confirmation shall constitute an Agreement between our two Governments.

The Embassy of the United States avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs the assurances of its highest consideration.

Embassy of the United States of America,
The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Turkey presents its compliments to the Embassy of the United States of America and with reference to the Embassy's Note Numbered 489 and dated June 30, 1989, has the honour to propose an amendment that the phrase "shall constituted an Agreement" on the first paragraph of the second page of the Embassy's Note be changed to read as "shall constitute an amendment to the Agreement."

The Turkish Government fully complies with the content of the U.S. Government's Note, provided that this correction is to be made.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Turkey avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Embassy of the United States of America the assurances of its highest consideration.

Embassy of the United States of America

Istanbul

Istanbul, 26 July 1989