ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4:4

Amendment of the bilateral agreement between
Norway and the Philippines

Note by the Chairman

Attached is a notification received from Norway of an amendment of its agreement with the Philippines, effective for the period 1 January to 31 December 1991.

1The bilateral agreement is contained in COM.TEX/SB/1439.

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Dear Mr. Ambassador,

Pursuant to Article 4:4 of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles as extended by the 1986 Protocol, I am pleased to notify the Textiles Surveillance Body of certain amendments to the current bilateral textile agreement between the Government of the Kingdom of Norway and the Government of the Republic of the Philippines.

According to the amendments, 4 categories previously subject to quotas have been fully liberalized. Furthermore, concerning the remaining 3 clothing categories, children's garments up to and including size 152 cm have been excluded from the quotas.

The amendments, which were agreed upon in an exchange of notes dated 17 September 1990 and 26 November 1990, took effect on 1 January 1991.

Copies of the notes are enclosed.

Yours Sincerely,

Otto Wentzel
Head of Division

The Royal Norwegian Embassy presents its compliments to the Department of Foreign Affairs and has the honour to refer to the Agreement between the Government of Norway and the Government of the Philippines relating to the exports from the Philippines of certain textile products for imports into Norway, signed at Manila on 21 September 1988.

The Royal Norwegian Embassy has further the honour to propose the following amendments to the above-mentioned bilateral Textile Agreement:

(1) delete from Annex A on product coverage, categories 3, 4, 6 and 8,

(ii) exclude from Annex A on product coverage, in the case of categories 1, 2 and 5, garments for boys and girls with height up to 152 cm. This would mean that a Norwegian Import License for these sizes will be granted on the basis of a Certificate of Philippine Origin, and that the Norwegian licensing authorities would not require an Export License from the Philippines.

(iii) delete from Annex B on restraints, categories 3, 4, 6 and 8.

It is proposed that these amendments take effect on 1 January 1991.

The above amendments of the Textile Agreement would imply that the revised Annexes A and B would read as follows from 1 January 1991:
## PRODUCT CATEGORIES COVERED BY THE AGREEMENT

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<th>Category Number</th>
<th>Unit</th>
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| 1               | Pieces | Outer garments of woven material, men's, boys', women's, girls':  
|                 |       | - Jackets, tailored jackets, blazers, waistcoats, sports jackets (including parts of ski suits), anoraks and similar garments, parkas of suits, sets and costumes (boys and girls with height above 152 cm). |
| 2               | Pieces | Outer garments of woven material, men's boys', women's girls':  
<p>|                 |       | - Trousers, slacks, jeans, breeches and the like (including bib and brace overalls), other than swimwear and shorts, also as parts of suits and sets (boys and girls with height above 152 cm.). |
| 5               | Pieces | Men's and boys' shirts of all kinds, of woven material (boys with height above 152 cm). |
| 7               | Kgs | Bed linen. |</p>
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<tr>
<td>Cat. Restraint</td>
<td>No. level</td>
<td>Annual Growth Rate</td>
<td>Carry-forward Percenages</td>
<td>Swing Percenages</td>
<td>Total Flexibility Unit pr. kg.</td>
<td>Carry-forward Percenages</td>
<td>Conversion Factor</td>
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<td>61 903 Pcs</td>
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<td>191 336 Pcs</td>
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If the foregoing is acceptable to the Government of the Republic of the Philippines, this Note and the Department of Foreign Affairs' Note of confirmation shall constitute an amendment to the bilateral Textile Agreement.

The Royal Norwegian Embassy avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Department of Foreign Affairs the assurances of its highest consideration.

Manila, 17 September 1990

DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
MANILA
The Department of Foreign Affairs presents its compliments to the Royal Norwegian Embassy and, with reference to its Note No. 107/90, dated 17 September 1990, has the honor to inform the Embassy that the Philippine Government interposes no objection to the amendments in the RP-Norway bilateral Textile Agreement as proposed in the said Note, to take effect on 01 January 1991.

The Department of Foreign Affairs avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Royal Norwegian Embassy the assurances of its highest consideration.

Manila, 26 November 1990