ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Articles 7 and 8

Extension of the bilateral agreement between
Canada and Bulgaria

Note by the Chairman

Attached is a notification received from Canada of the extension of its bilateral agreement with Bulgaria for the period 1 January to 31 December 1992.¹

¹The bilateral agreement and a previous amendment are contained in COM.TEX/SB/1367 and 1529.

*English only/Anglais seulement/Inglés solamente
Dear Ambassador Raffaelli:

Further to my note of 30 December, 1991, and pursuant to (i) Articles 7 & 8 of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles (MFA), done at Geneva on December 20, 1973; (ii) the Protocol extending the MFA, done at Geneva on July 31, 1986; and (iii) the Protocol Maintaining in Force the MFA, done at Geneva on July 31, 1991, I have the honour to notify you that, through bilateral negotiations, an extension to the existing Memorandum of Understanding has been agreed between the Governments of Canada and Bulgaria. The relevant exchange of diplomatic notes is attached.

Exports to Canada of Bulgarian products covered by the Memorandum of Understanding are subject to restraint through December 31, 1992. Otherwise, the terms of the Memorandum of Understanding, including those relative to growth rates and flexibility, remain unchanged.

As noted in the exchange of diplomatic notes, this extension is without prejudice to any agreement which may be reached as a result of the current Multilateral Trade Negotiations.

Yours sincerely,

John F. Donaghy,
Counsellor

Ambasada Republike Bugarske koristi i ovu priliku da bi Ambasadi Kanade ponovila izraze svog osobitog poštovanja.

NOTE NO. 3033

The Embassy of the Republic of Bulgaria presents its compliments to the Embassy of Canada and has the honour to inform that regarding the Note no. 2091 of December 25, 1991 the Government of the Republic of Bulgaria gives its approval by the Decision no. 414 of December 4, 1991 for the extension of the validity of the agreement between the two countries for some textile products until December 31, 1992.

The Embassy of the Republic of Bulgaria avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Embassy of Canada the assurances of its highest consideration.

BELGRADE, December 9, 1991
"... and has the honour to propose that the Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of Canada and the Government of Bulgaria relating to the export from Bulgaria of certain textiles and textile products for import into Canada (MOU) be extended to December 31, 1992.

At present, Canada has reached extension agreements without changes (i.e. simple roll-overs) with exporting countries representing over eighty percent of its imports of textiles and clothing. The expiry of the current MOU at the end of this year continues to cause considerable uncertainty in the textile and clothing industries in both Canada and Bulgaria. In order to minimize such uncertainty in trade in textiles and clothing between Bulgaria and Canada, Canadian authorities reiterate their proposal that the MOU governing bilateral textile trade between Canada and Bulgaria be extended for a period of one year, until December 31, 1992. This extension would apply to all terms and conditions contained in the current MOU, including growth rate and flexibility provisions. The extension will be without prejudice to any changes which may be negotiated in the Uruguay Round governing textile trade beyond 1991 ...."