ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4:4

Extension and amendment of the agreement between
Norway and India

Note by the Chairman

Attached is a notification received from Norway of an extension with amendments of its agreement with India for the period 1 January 1994 to 31 December 1995.¹

¹The agreement, amendments and a previous extension are contained in COM.TEX/SB/1416, 1587 and 1746.

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Dear Mr. Ambassador,

Pursuant to Article 4:4 of the Arrangement regarding International Trade in Textiles as extended, I am pleased to notify the Textiles Surveillance Body of certain amendments of the current bilateral textile agreement between the Governments of the Kingdom of Norway and the Republic of India.

The Agreement has been extended by two years to 31 December 1995. The Agreement will be terminated automatically as of the implementation date of the Uruguay Round.

The Agreement has furthermore been changed in respect of the following elements:

- base levels have been increased by more than 6% for two categories and by more than the annual growth rate for one category,
- annual growth rates have been increased from 3% to 5% for two categories and from 0,5% to 1,5% for one category,
- swing has been improved, from 0,5 - 3% to 5%.

Yours sincerely,

Otto Wentzel
Head of Division

Enclosure

C.c.: - Permanent Delegation of Norway, Geneva
1. Delegations from the Government of the Kingdom of Norway and the Government of the Republic of India met in Oslo on 25 - 26 October 1993 for consultations in accordance with Articles 18 and 19 of the Agreement between the Government of the Kingdom of Norway and the Government of the Republic of India relating to the exports from India of certain textile products for imports into Norway, signed at New Delhi on 8 March 1988.

2. As a result of these consultations it was agreed to initial the enclosed amendments to the Textile Agreement as previously amended.

3. During the consultations the Delegation of the Government of India expressed concerns about the possibility of increases in import restrictions on textiles and clothing in Norway as a consequence of Norway's accession negotiations with the European Communities, and expressed the point of view that appropriate remedies may have to be worked out in this regard. The Delegation of the Government of Norway took note of the concerns and points of view expressed by the Delegation of the Government of India.

Oslo, 26 October 1993

[Signatures]
Head of the Norwegian Delegation
Head of the Indian Delegation

I The Government of the Kingdom of Norway and the Government of the Republic of India have agreed to the following amendments to the Textile Agreement as previously amended:

(i) In article 2, after "as further extended by the Protocol of 31.7.1991", add "and the Protocol of 9.12.1992".

(ii) Replace Article 3 by the following text:

"3. This Agreement shall apply for the period 1 January 1987 - 31 December 1994. Thereafter, the application of all the provisions of this Agreement shall be extended automatically for a period of one more year up to 31 December 1995, unless either Party notifies the other at least six months before 31 December 1994 that it does not agree with this extension. However, if the Agreement on trade in textiles and clothing products resulting from the Uruguay Round GATT trade negotiations is concluded and enters into force at an earlier date, this Agreement shall be automatically terminated as of the date agreed for the implementation of the results of the Uruguay Round GATT trade negotiations."

(iii) Replace the existing Annex B on restraints, with the attached Annex B.

II These amendments take effect as of 1 January 1994.
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