GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

ACCORD GENERAL SUR LES TARIFS DOUANIERS ET LE COMMERCE

Textiles Surveillance Body
Organe de surveillance des textiles

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4

Note by the Chairman

The attached notification received from the United States mission concerns a further amendment to the bilateral agreement on cotton textiles of 6 November 1975 between the United States and Poland.

1 See COM.TEX/SB/152 and 263.

ARRANGEMENT CONCERNANT LE COMMERCE INTERNATIONAL DES TEXTILES

Notification au titre de l'article 4

Note du Président

La Mission permanente des États-Unis a fait parvenir au secrétariat la notification ci-jointe concernant une nouvelle modification apportée à l'accord bilatéral sur les textiles de coton conclu le 6 novembre 19751 entre les États-Unis et la Pologne.

1 Voir les documents COM.TEX/SB/152 et 263.
The Honorable
Ambassador Paul Wurth
Chairman, Textiles Surveillance Body
Centre William Rappard
154, rue de Lausanne
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Dear Mr. Chairman:

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 TSB of the amendment of the existing bilateral cotton textile agreement, as amended, between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Polish Peoples' Republic. The original agreement was notified to the TSB and subsequently circulated to the TC as COM.TEX/SB/152 of March 22, 1976. The TSB was also notified of a subsequent amendment which was circulated to the TC as COM.TEX/SB/263 of September 28, 1977.

The current amendment effects: (a) an increase in the designated consultation level for Category 49 from 1,962,500 syds. equiv. (60,385 doz.) to 2,157,512 syds. equiv. (66,385 doz.); (b) an adjustment in the specific limit on Category 333 to compensate for overshipments against the designated consultation level in effect in 1977; and, (c) an increase in the consultation level for Category 50.

Attached hereto is a copy of U.S. State Department Press Release No. 542 of December 5, 1977, giving full texts of the Note exchange giving effect to the amendments.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
Harry M. Phelan, Jr.
Minister Counselor

Attachment:
As indicated above
The United States and the Polish People's Republic exchanged notes on November 21, 1977, to amend the existing bilateral agreement on trade in cotton textiles between the two countries. The texts of the notes follow:

UNITED STATES NOTE

His Excellency

Dr. Witold Trampczynski

Ambassador of the Polish People's Republic

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to the agreement dated November 6, 1975, as amended (the "Agreement"), concerning trade in cotton textiles between the Polish People's Republic ("Poland") and the United States of America (the "United States"). I refer also to the letter of November 2, 1977 from Josef Soldaczuk to John J. St. John and to recent negotiations between representatives of the Governments of Poland and the United States. As a result of those negotiations, I propose that the Agreement be amended as follows:

1. The designated consultation level for category 49, other coats, not knit, is changed to 66,385 dozen for the current agreement year. The specific limit for category 333 for 1978 (i.e. 2,200,000 square yards equivalent) shall be reduced by an amount corresponding to any quantity shipped in excess of the 60,385 dozen designated consultation level for 1977.

2. Poland may exceed the minimum consultation level in category 50, men's and boys' trousers, during the current agreement year. The new authorized consultation level is 55,000 dozen.

If the foregoing proposal is acceptable to your Government, this note and your note of confirmation on behalf of the Government of Poland shall constitute an agreement between Poland and the United States.

Mr. C. Hand (202) 632-1682

For further information contact:
Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

For the Secretary of State:
/S/ William G. Barraclough

POLISH NOTE

November 21, 1977

The Honorable
Cyrus R. Vance
The Secretary of State
Washington, D.C.

Excellency,

I have the honor to refer to your note of this date. I confirm that your proposal is acceptable to my Government and this note and your Excellency's note shall constitute an agreement between the Government of the Polish People’s Republic and the Government of the United States of America amending the bilateral agreement of November 6, 1975, concerning trade in cotton textiles.

Please accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

/S/ Witold Trampczynski
Ambassador