ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4

Note by the Chairman

The attached notification received from the United States mission concerns the amendment and the extension of the bilateral agreement on cotton, wool and man-made fibre textiles of 3 March 1975, between the United States and Portugal on behalf of Macao.

See COM.TEX/SB/92.

ARRANGEMENT CONCERNANT LE COMMERCE INTERNATIONAL DES TEXTILES

Notification au titre de l'article 4

Note du Président

La Mission des Etats-Unis a fait parvenir au secrétariat la notification ci-jointe concernant la modification et la prorogation de l'accord bilatéral sur les textiles de coton, de laine et de fibres synthétiques et artificielles conclu le 3 mars 1975 entre les Etats-Unis et le Portugal au nom de Macao.

Voir le document COM.TEX/SB/92
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 and extension of the existing bilateral textile agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Portugal in behalf of Macau. The existing agreement, which was notified to the TSB and subsequently circulated to the TC as TEX.SB/46 of June 4, 1975, would have expired on December 31, 1977.

The parties to the bilateral agreement have agreed: (a) to extend the existing agreement for a two-year period ending December 31, 1979; (b) to amend Annex A by redefining Categories 62 and 224 and by establishing two new subcategories (Category 62, part and Category 224, part) with appropriate related conversion factors; (c) to amend paragraph 4 of the bilateral in order to adjust category coverage and specific limits therefor into a closer consonance with current trade needs and patterns; and (d) to amend paragraphs 5 and 6(a) in order to establish fixed consultation levels for categories not given specific limits.

Attached hereto is a copy of U.S. State Department Press Release No. 16 of January 12, 1978, giving the full texts of the Note exchanges giving effect to the extension and amendments.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Harry M. Phelan, Jr.
Minister Counselor

Attachment:
As indicated above
UNITED STATES AND MACAU
AMEND TEXTILE AGREEMENT

The United States and Macau exchanged notes dated August 4 and 17 and October 20 and 29, 1976, to amend the existing bilateral agreement on trade in cotton, wool and man-made fiber textiles between the two countries. The composite text of the United States note and the texts of the Macau notes follow:

UNITED STATES NOTE

American Consulate General
Hong Kong, August 4, 1976

I refer to the Bilateral Agreement of May 3, 1973, between the Governments of the United States and Portugal (hereinafter referred to as the Agreement) relating to trade in cotton, wool and man-made fiber textiles between the United States and Macau, and to discussions between the Governments of the United States and Macau on April 26, 1976.

As a result of these discussions, I propose the following amendment to the Agreement:

1. Annex A shall be amended as follows:

A. The description for Category 62 shall be revised to read as follows:

62 Other knitted or crocheted clothing excluding knit shirts and blouses

B. Between Category 62 and 63, a new subcategory shall be listed as follows:

62 (part). Knit shirts and blouses

LB. 4.6

DOZ. 7.23
C. The description for Category 224 shall be revised to read as follows:

- **224**
  - Other wearing apparel, knit, other than knitted, whether or not ornamental, excluding knit tops and vests.

D. Between Category 224 and 225, a new subcategory shall be listed as follows:

- **224 (Part) Knit tops and vests**
  - **DOZ.** 15.60

2. In Paragraph 1 of the Agreement, the first sentence shall be amended to read as follows:

"The term of this agreement shall be from January 1, 1979 through December 31, 1979."

3. Paragraph 4 is hereby amended as follows:

"Within the limit for Group I, the following specific limits shall apply for the second agreement year:"

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4. In Paragraph 6 (A), the third sentence shall be amended to read:

"Within the aggregate and applicable group limits, all specific limits shall be increased by 6.25 percent annually except those limits in Group II which shall be increased by 1 percent annually."

*5. In Paragraph 3, the fourth sentence shall be amended to read:

"The consultation level for each category not given a specific limit shall be 1,000,000 square yards equivalent in categories 1-38, 64, 200-213, 241-243; 750,000 square yards equivalent in categories 39-63 and 214-240; and 102,010 square yards equivalent in categories 101-132."

*As corrected by October 20, 1976 US note.
If this proposal is acceptable to the Government of Macau, this note
and your note of confirmation on behalf of the Government of Macau shall
constitute an Agreement between the two Governments which will enter into
force on the date of your reply of acceptance.

/S/ Mr. Charles T. Cross
American Consul General

Mr. Ramiro de Andrade Fonseca de Almeida
Secretary for Economic Coordination
Government of Macau
Macau

MACAU LETTER

Mr. Charles T. Cross
American Consul General
26, Garden Road
HONG KONG

August 17, 1976

Dear Mr. Cross,

With reference to your letter of August 4th, 1976, I have the
pleasure in enclosing a note of confirmation signed by H. E. the
Governor of Macau.

Yours Sincerely,

Economic Department

/S/ Armando Lopes de Campos
Director
MACAU - NOTE OF CONFIRMATION

Macau August 17, 1976.

Referring to the Memorandum of Understanding resulting from discussions on April 26, 1976 in Macau and your new proposals contained in your note of August 4, 1976, I now wish to confirm that all such proposals are acceptable to the Government of Macau.

The Governor of Macau,

/S/ Jose Eduardo Garcia Leandro
Coronel

MACAU NOTE OF CONFIRMATION


Mr. Charles Tenney Cross
American Consul General
Hong Kong

Referring to the Memorandum of Understanding resulting from discussions on April 20, 1976 in Macau, and your new proposals contained in your note of October 20, 1976, I now wish to confirm that these proposals are acceptable to the Government of Macau.

/S/ Jose Eduardo Garcia Leandro
Governor of Macau