The attached notification received from the United States mission concerns a further amendment to the bilateral agreement covering certain textile products between the United States and Haiti.

1 See COM.TEX/SB/179, 202, 235 and 261.
The Honorable
Ambassador Paul Wurth
Chairman, Textiles Surveillance Body
Centre William Rappard
154, rue de Lausanne
CH-1211 Geneva 21

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, wool and man-made fiber textile agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Haiti. The existing agreement was notified to the TSB and circulated to the TC as COM.TEX/SB/179 of July 20, 1976. Subsequent amendments of the basic agreement were notified to the TSB and circulated to the TC as COM.TEX/SB/202 of November 30, 1976, COM.TEX/SB/235 of April 18, 1977, COM.TEX/SB/241 of September 7, 1977, and COM.TEX/SB/261 of September 27, 1977.

The current amendment raises the consultation level in: Category 51 from 1,000,000 syds. equiv. to 1,500,000 syds. equiv.; Category 223 from 2,000,000 syds. equiv. to 2,500,000 syds. equiv.; and, in Category 215 from 4,000,000 syds. equiv. to 5,000,000 syds. equiv. The amendments are valid for the second agreement year, i.e., January 1, 1977 - December 31, 1977.

Attached hereto is a copy of U.S. State Department Press Release No. 436 of September 26, 1977, giving the full texts of the Note exchange giving effect to the amendments.

Sincerely,

Harry M. Phelan, Jr.
Minister Counselor

Attachment:
As indicated above
United States and Haiti
Amend Bilateral Textile Agreement

The United States and Haiti exchanged notes on September 14 and 15, 1977 respectively to amend the existing bilateral agreement on trade in cotton, wool and man-made fiber textile products between the two countries. The texts of the notes follow:

United States Note

The Department of State acknowledges receipt of the note of September 7, 1977 from the Embassy of Haiti concerning the consultation levels for Categories 54, 223 and 215 of the bilateral agreement of March 22, 1976, as amended, on trade in cotton, wool and man-made fiber textile products between the United States and the Republic of Haiti (hereafter referred to as the Agreement).

The Government of the United States of America agrees to the request of the Republic of Haiti to exceed the consultation levels in Categories 54, 223 and 215 and proposes for the current agreement year the following new consultation levels:

- Category 54: 1,500,000 square yard equivalent
- Category 223: 2,500,000 square yard equivalent
- Category 215: 5,000,000 square yard equivalent

If the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the Government of the Republic of Haiti, this note and the Embassy's note of confirmation will constitute an agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Republic of Haiti pursuant to paragraph 7 of the Agreement.

Initialed by: Paul H. Boeker

Department of State,

Washington, September 14, 1977

FB - Mr. C. Hand (202) 632-1682
THE EMBASSY OF HAITI IN WASHINGTON presents its compliments to the Department of State of the United States and has the honor to acknowledge receipt of the Note of September 14, 1977 proposing, according to its request, that the consultation levels of categories 54, 223, 215 of the bilateral Textiles agreement of March 22, 1976 be amended as follows, for the remaining months of the year 1977.

Category 54. Playsuits, sunsuits, washsuits SYE 1.500.000
creepers, rompers from : 1.000.000 SYE to.

Category 223. Underwear, Knit SYE 2.500.000
from: 2.000.000 to

Category 215. Hosiery from 4.000.000 to SYE 5.000.000

The Government of Haiti has given its acceptance to the proposal and this note and the State Department's note shall constitute an agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Republic of Haiti pursuant to paragraph 7 of the Agreement.

THE EMBASSY OF HAITI avails itself of the opportunity to renew to the Department of State the assurances of its highest consideration.

Washington, D.C. September 15, 1977

Initialed by: Georges Salomon
Ambassadeur