ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4:4

Amendment to the Bilateral Agreement between the
United States and Singapore

Note by the Chairman

The attached notification received from the United States mission concerns an amendment to the new comprehensive agreement covering certain textile products concluded between the United States and Singapore.1

1For details of the new agreement see TEX.SB/357.

ARRANGEMENT CONCERNANT LE COMMERCE INTERNATIONAL DES TEXTILES

Notification conformément à l'article 4:4

Modification de l'accord bilatéral entre les États-Unis et Singapour

Note du Président

La Mission des États-Unis a fait parvenir au secrétariat la notification ci-jointe relative à une modification qui a été apportée au nouvel accord d'ensemble portant sur certains produits textiles conclu entre les États-Unis et Singapour.1

1Pour le détail du nouvel accord, voir le document TEX.SB/357.
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 bilateral cotton, wool and man-made fiber bilateral textile agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Singapore. The basic agreement was notified to the TSB on December 4, 1978, and has been circulated to the TSB (but not yet reviewed) as TEX.SB/357 of December 8, 1978.

The amendment establishes a new consultation level for category 641 (man-made fiber blouses) of 55,775 dozens for the current agreement year. Category 641 had been subject to the general consultation level of 700,000 syds. equiv. (48,276 dozen). The agreement on the new level is the result of consultations between the parties on a request to exceed the general level.

Attached hereto is a copy of State Department Press Release No. 418 setting forth full texts of the exchange of Notes giving effect to the amendment.

Sincerely,

Harry M. Phelan, Jr.
Minister Counselor

Attachment:
As stated
UNITED STATES AND SINGAPORE
AMEND TEXTILE AGREEMENT

The United States and the Republic of Singapore exchanged notes dated October 18, 1978 and November 1, 1978 respectively, to amend the existing bilateral textile agreement. The text of the notes follow:

UNITED STATES NOTES

October 18, 1978

His Excellency
Punch Coomaraswamy
Ambassador of Singapore

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to the Agreement between the United States of America and the Republic of Singapore Relating to Trade in Cotton, Wool, and Man-made Fiber Textiles and Apparel Products, with Annexes, done at Washington September 22, 1978 (the Agreement).

I have the honor to propose, on behalf of my Government that the consultation level for category 641 (man-made fiber blouses) be 55,775 dozens for the current agreement year.

If the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the Government of the Republic of Singapore, this note and your Excellency's note of confirmation on behalf of the Government of the Republic of Singapore shall constitute an amendment to the Agreement, effective on the date of your note of confirmation.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

For the Acting Secretary of State:
/S/ William Barraclough

EB/TEX Ann Berry (202) 632-2690
1 November 1978

His Excellency Cyrus Vance
Secretary of State
Washington DC

Excellency

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's communication of 18 October, 1978 proposing that the consultation level for category 641 (man-made fiber blouses) be 55,775 dozens for the current year.

I have further the honor to confirm that Your Excellency's proposal is acceptable to my Government and that Your Excellency's communication and this communication in reply thereto shall constitute an amendment to the Agreement.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

/S/ Punch Coomaraswamy
Ambassador

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