ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4.4

Amendment to the Bilateral Agreement between the United States and Malaysia

Note by the Chairman

Attached hereto is a copy of a notification received from the United States Mission regarding an amendment to its textiles agreement with Malaysia.

For original agreement and prior amendment, see COM.TEX/SB/358 and 401.

ARRANGEMENT CONCERNANT LE COMMERCE INTERNATIONAL DES TEXTILES

Notification conformément à l'article 4, paragraphe 4

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

Note du Président

La Mission des États-Unis a fait parvenir au secrétariat la notification reproduite ci-après, relative à une modification de l'accord sur les textiles conclu avec la Malaisie.

Pour le texte de l'accord initial et la modification précédente, voir les documents COM.TEX/SB/358 et 401.
The Honorable
Ambassador Paul Wurth
Chairman, Textiles Surveillance Body
G.A.T.T.
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 Textiles Surveillance Body of two further amendments of the cotton, wool and man-made fiber textiles agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Malaysia. The original bilateral agreement and prior amendment have been notified and circulated as COM.TEX/SB/358 and 401, respectively.

These latest amendments respond to requests from the Malaysian Government for increased levels in two categories:

(1) the consultation level for Category 604 (man-made fiber yarn) is increased from 1,000,000 square yards equivalent (SYE) to 1,500,000 SYE.

(2) the sublimit for Category 639 (man-made fiber knit shirts and blouses) is increased by 20,000 dozen for the 1979 and 1980 agreement years in return for a decrease of 10,000 dozen in the limit for Category 339 (cotton knit shirts and blouses) and a decrease of 20,000 dozen in the limit for Category 638/639. These particular changes modify the limits and sublimits referred to above as follows:
The changes referred to immediately above resulted from a need on the part of the Government of Malaysia to obtain on short notice an increase in the level for subcategory 639 and willingness on the part of the Government of the United States to grant such an increase in exchange for modifications in the limits of related categories.

Attached hereto are copies of the letters giving effect to these amendments. Please note that, while the U.S. letter of September 10 refers to Category 339 as having a "specific limit," this category in fact remains as a Designated Consultation Level.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Robert E. Shepherd

Enclosures:

As stated.
September 14, 1979

Deputy Assistant Secretary
for International Trade Policy
Department of State
Washington, DC, 20520
(Attn: Mr. Ernest Johnston)

Dear Mr. Johnston:

Your letter dated September 10, 1979 is hereby referred.

On behalf of my Government, I would wish to confirm on the proposal made by your Government for the transfer of quota for category 639 as mentioned in your above letter.

This letter shall also constitute an agreement amending the Agreement between United State of America and Malaysia Relating to Trade in Cotton, Wool and Man-made fiber Textile, with Annexes, effected by exchange of notes May 17 and June 8, 1978.

Thank you.

(ABDUL RAHMAN MAMAT)
Asst. Commercial Attache

ARM/sm.
September 10, 1979

Mr. Abdul Rahman Manat
Embassy of Malaysia Trade Office
600 Third Avenue
Third Floor
New York, New York 10016

Dear Mr. Rahman:

I refer to the agreement between the United States of America and Malaysia Relating to Trade in Cotton, Wool, and Man-made Fiber Textiles, with Annexes, effected by exchange of notes May 17 and June 8, 1976 (the "Agreement").

I also refer to your letter dated July 30, concerning a transfer of quota to Category 639.

My Government proposes that the Sub-limit for Category 639 be increased by 20,000 dozen for the 1979 and 1980 agreement years in return for a decrease of 10,000 dozen in the Specific Limit for Category 339 and a decrease of 20,000 dozen in the Specific Limit for Category 638/639.

If the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the Government of Malaysia, this letter and your letter of confirmation on behalf of the Government of Malaysia shall constitute an agreement amending the Agreement.

Sincerely,

Ernest Johnston
Deputy Assistant Secretary for International Trade Policy
September 14, 1979

Mr. Abdul Rahman Mamat  
Assistant Commercial Attache  
Embassy of Malaysia Trade Office  
600 Third Avenue  
Third Floor  
New York, New York 10016  

Dear Mr. Mamat:

I refer to the Agreement between the United States of America and Malaysia Relating to Trade in Cotton, Wool and Man-Made Fiber Textiles and Textile Products, with Annexes, effected by exchange of notes May 17 and June 5, 1978 (the "Agreement"). I refer also to your letter of September 10, 1979, in which you request permission to exceed the consultation level for Category 604 as follows:

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<th>Category</th>
<th>Increase (Square Yards Equivalent)</th>
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<td>604</td>
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If the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the Government of Malaysia, this letter and your letter of confirmation on behalf of the Government of Malaysia shall constitute an agreement amending the Agreement.

Sincerely,

Ernest Johnston  
Deputy Assistant Secretary for International Trade Policy
September 28, 1979

Mr. Ernest Johnston
Deputy Assistant Secretary for
International Trade Policy
Department of State,
Washington, DC 20520

Dear Mr. Johnston:

Your letter dated September 14, 1979 in relation to the Textiles Agreement between USA and Malaysia, is hereby referred.

On behalf of my Government, I would wish to confirm on the proposal made by your Government in permitting us to exceed the Consultation level for CAT 604 as mentioned in your above letter.

This letter shall also constitute an agreement amending the Textiles Agreement between United State of America and Malaysia effected by exchange of notes on May 17 and June 8, 1978.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

(ABDUL RAHMAN MANAT)
Asst. Trade Commissioner

ARM/sm.