ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Articles 7 and 8

Agreement between the United States and Mauritius

Note by the Chairman

The Textiles Surveillance Body has received from the United States a notification under Articles 7 and 8 of a new agreement concluded with Mauritius. This agreement covers the period 1 October 1981 to 30 September 1985.

This notification has been made in accordance with the request by the Textiles Committee that agreements concluded with non-participating countries in the Arrangement should be notified.

*English only/Anglais seulement.*
The Honorable
Ambassador Paul Wurth
Chairman, Textiles Surveillance Body
GATT
154, rue de Lausanne
CH-1211 Geneva 21

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Pursuant to the provisions of paragraphs 7 and 8 of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles, I am instructed by my government to inform the Textiles Surveillance Body of a new bilateral textile agreement covering trade in knit shirts and sweaters of cotton, wool and man-made fibers between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Mauritius. Since Mauritius is not a participant in the Arrangement, this notification is being made for information only.

Attached hereto are copies of the notes giving effect to this Agreement.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Shepherd
Minister-Counselor

Attachments: as stated
November 19, 1981
No. 395

UNITED STATES AND MAURITIUS
SIGN BILATERAL TEXTILE AGREEMENT

The United States and the Government of Mauritius exchanged notes dated October 2, 1981 and October 5, 1981, respectively, to effect a bilateral agreement concerning trade in knit shirts and sweaters of cotton, wool, and man-made fibers. The texts of the letters follow:

UNITED STATES NOTE

Brussels, October 2, 1981

His Excellency
Raymond Chasle,
Ambassador of Mauritius to the European Communities,
Brussels.

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to consultations held on September 21 through 25 between representatives of the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Mauritius concerning trade in knit shirts and sweaters of cotton, wool, and man-made fibers.
sweaters of cotton, wool and man-made fibers. 
On the basis of these consultations, I have 
the honor to propose the following agreement 
between our two governments: 

1. There is hereby established a 
Knitwear Group comprised of categories 338, 
339, 345, 438, 445, 446, 638, 639, 645, 646. 
These categories are described in Annex A. 

2. For the six-month periods from 
October 1, 1981 to March 31, 1982 and from 
April 1, 1982 to September 30, 1982, and for 
the twelve-month periods from October 1, 1982 
to September 30, 1983, October 1, 1983 to 
September 30, 1984, and from October 1, 1984 
to September 30, 1985, exports of the 
Knitwear Group defined in paragraph 1 from 
Mauritius to the United States are subject to 
the limits established by this agreement. 

3. The limits for the Knitwear Group 
during the periods referred to in paragraph 2 
shall be: 

October 1, 1981 to March 31, 1982 113,000 dozen 

April 1, 1982 to September 30, 1982 57,500 dozen 

October 1, 1982 to September 30, 1983 115,000 dozen 

October 1, 1983 to September 30, 1984 115,000 dozen 

October 1, 1984 to September 30, 1985 115,000 dozen
4. During any period referred to in paragraph 2 exports may exceed the applicable limit prescribed in paragraph 3 by a maximum of ten percent by allocating to such limit an unused portion of the limit for the previous period (carryover) or a portion of the limit for the succeeding period (carry forward), provided that:

A) Carryover may not be applied for the periods October 1, 1981 to March 31, 1982 and April 1, 1982 to September 30, 1982;

B) Carryover may be utilized as available up to ten percent of the receiving period's limit;

C) The combination of carryover and carryforward shall not exceed ten percent of the receiving period's applicable limit in any period;

D) Carryforward may be utilized up to seven percent of the receiving period's limit and shall be charged against the immediately following period's corresponding limit;

E) (1) Carryover of shortfall (as defined below) shall not be applied to any limit until the Governments of the United States of America and Mauritius have agreed upon the amount of shortfall involved;
(2) For purposes of the agreement, a shortfall occurs when exports of the Knitwear Group from Mauritius to the United States of America during a period are below the applicable limit as prescribed in paragraph 3. In the period following the shortfall, such exports from Mauritius to the United States of America may be permitted to exceed the applicable limit, subject to conditions set forth above, by carryover of shortfall, provided that: the carryover shall not exceed the amount of shortfall in any applicable limit.

5. The two governments shall exchange statistics on exports and imports in the Knitwear Group established in paragraph 1 on a quarterly basis.

6. The two governments agree to consult, upon the request of either government, on any question arising in the implementation of this agreement.

7. If the foregoing conforms with the understanding of the Government of Mauritius, this note and Your Excellency's note of confirmation on behalf of the Government of Mauritius shall constitute an agreement between our two governments.
Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

[Signature]
## ANNEX A

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MAURITIUS NOTE

MISSION DE L'ILE MAURICE
AUPRÈS DES
COMMUNAUTÉS EUROPÉENNES
BRUXELLES

5 October, 1981

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of your letter of 2 October, 1981, referring to the consultations held from 21 to 25 September in Geneva and recording the agreement proposed by the Government of Mauritius concerning trade in sweaters of cotton, wool, and man-made fibres and knitshirts.

I have the honour to confirm on behalf of the Government of Mauritius that the agreement conforms with its understanding and that your letter under reference together with my reply thereto constitute an agreement between our two Governments.

Please accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

(Raymond CHASLE)
Ambassador

Mr. D. LAMB
Deputy Chief of Mission
of the United States of America
to the European Communities

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