ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Articles 7 and 8

Amendment to the Bilateral Agreement
between the United States and the People's Republic of China

Note by the Chairman

Attached is a notification received from the United States under the provisions of Articles 7 and 8 of the MFA concerning a further amendment to its bilateral agreement with the People's Republic of China.¹/

This notification is made for information, bearing in mind the Textiles Committee's request that action taken vis-à-vis non participants in the Arrangement should be notified to the TSB.

¹/ The original bilateral agreement and the previous amendment are contained in COM.TEX/SB/634 and 760.

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

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Pursuant to the provisions of Articles 7 and 8 of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles, I am instructed by my government to inform the Textiles Surveillance Body of the further amendment of the cotton, wool and man-made fiber textile agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the People's Republic of China.

Inasmuch as the People's Republic of China is not a member of the Arrangement, this notification is for information only.

Attached hereto are copies of the letters giving effect to this amendment.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Shepherd
Minister-Counselor

Enclosures: as stated
The United States and the People's Republic of China exchanged letters dated July 16, 1982 and July 19, 1982 to amend the existing bilateral textile agreement relating to trade in cotton, wool and man-made fiber textiles and textile products. The texts of the letters follow:

UNITED STATES LETTER

July 16, 1982

Mr. An Dong
Minister-Counselor (Commercial Affairs)
Embassy of the People's Republic of China
2300 Connecticut Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20008

Dear Mr. An:

I refer to paragraph 8 of the Agreement between the United States of America and the People's Republic of China relating to Trade in Cotton, Wool, and Man-Made Fiber Textiles and Textile Products, with annexes, effected by exchange of notes on September 17, 1980 ("The Agreement") and to discussions held between representatives of our two Governments concerning exports from China to the United States of products classified in textile categories 315 ("Cotton Printcloth") and 320 (Other Cotton Fabrics, n.k.).

EB/TEX: Roger Freeman (202) 632-2777
On behalf of my Government, I have the honor to propose the following:

1. For purposes of "The Agreement", category 315 and the items covered under TSUSA number 326.0092 in category 320 shall be merged and treated as a single category.

2. Annex B of "The Agreement" shall be amended to establish a specific limit for this category as follows:

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<th>Category</th>
<th>1/19/82 - 12/31/82</th>
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<td>315 plus TSUSA # 326.0092</td>
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3. No swing shall be available for this category in 1982. This arrangement is without prejudice to any new agreement.

If this proposal is acceptable to your Government, this letter and your letter of confirmation on behalf of your Government shall constitute an amendment to the Agreement which shall enter into force on the date of your reply.

Sincerely,

Denis Lamb
Deputy Assistant Secretary
Trade and Commercial Affairs
Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs
July 19, 1982

Mr. Denis Lamb  
Deputy Assistant Secretary  
Trade and Commercial Affairs  
Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs  
U.S. Department of State  
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mr. Lamb,

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated July 16, 1982 in which you proposed an amendment of Agreement between the People's Republic of China and the United States of America relating to trade in Cotton, Wool and Man-Made Fiber Textiles and Textile Products, and to refer to discussions held between representatives of our two Governments concerning exports from China to the United States of products classified in textile category 315 ("Cotton printcloth") and the items covered under TSUSA number 326.0092 in category 320.

I wish to confirm, on behalf of the Government of the People's Republic of China, that this proposal is acceptable. Therefore, your letter and this letter of confirmation shall constitute an amendment to the Agreement between our two Governments on this subject.

Sincerely,

An Dong  
Commercial Counsellor