ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4:4

Extension of Bilateral Agreement between
the United States and Japan

Note by the Chairman

Attached is a notification received from the United States concerning the extension for the four years 1 January 1982 – 31 December 1985, of its bilateral agreement, concluded under Article 4 of the MFA, with Japan. 1/

The notification also includes a record of discussion setting out export restraint levels with respect to eleven categories.

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1/ The original agreement and an amendment to it are contained in COM.TEX/SB/498 and TEX.SB/761

*English only/Anglais seulement.
September 22, 1982

The Honorable
Ambassador Marcelo Raffaelli
Chairman, Textiles Surveillance Body
GATT
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 the four-year extension (1/1/82-12/31/85) of the cotton, wool and man-made fiber textile agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Japan.

I am also notifying a record of discussion under which the Government of Japan has agreed to limit its exports of eleven categories to the levels set forth therein.

Copies of the diplomatic notes and the record of discussion giving effect to this agreement and these restraints are attached hereto.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Shepherd
Minister-Counselor

Enclosures: as stated
Excellency,

I have the honor to refer to the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles done in Geneva on December 20, 1973 and extended by Protocols done in Geneva on December 14, 1977 and December 22, 1981.

I have further the honor to refer to the recent discussions held between the representatives of the Government of Japan and the Government of the United States of America with regard to the Arrangement between the Government of Japan and the Government of the United States of America concerning Trade in Cotton, Wool and Man-made Fiber Textiles between Japan and the United States of America (hereinafter referred to as "the Arrangement") effected by the Exchange of Notes of August 17, 1979, and to confirm, on behalf of the Government of Japan, the understanding reached between the two Governments that the Arrangement, including the Record of Understanding attached to it, will be applied for a four-year period from January 1, 1982 through December 31, 1985 by the two Governments with the understanding that the Arrangement will be amended as follows:

His Excellency
Mr. George P. Shultz
The Secretary of State
1. Paragraph 3 of the Arrangement will be deleted and replaced by the following:

"3. For the period beginning January 1, 1982 and extending through December 31, 1985, existing cotton categories 300 through 369, existing wool categories 400 through 469, and existing man-made fiber categories 603 through 669 (numbers 706.3400, 706.3900, 706.4140, and 706.4150 excluded from category 669), as specified in the U.S. Correlation of January 1982 (Textile and Apparel Categories with Tariff Schedules of the United States Annotated) and any subsequent technical modifications thereof, will not be subject to numerical limits other than those arising under the provisions of paragraph 4 hereof."

2. Subparagraph (2) of paragraph 10 of the Arrangement will be deleted and replaced by the following:

"(2) In the implementation of this Arrangement, the system of textile categories and the rates of conversion are set forth in the U.S. Correlation of January 1982 and any subsequent technical modifications thereof. The assignments of products to categories listed in the Correlation will be determined in accordance with the United States Customs classification and definitions, subject to further clarification where necessary."

I have further the honor to request Your Excellency to be good enough to confirm the foregoing understanding on behalf of the Government of the United States of America.

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

Yoshio Okawara
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Japan
RECORD OF DISCUSSION

1. During the course of talks between the representatives of the Government of Japan and of the Government of the United States of America on trade in textile products held in Geneva in December 1981, Japanese exports to the United States of America of eleven items in the attached list were discussed.

2. The representatives of the Delegation of the Government of the United States of America explained the overall import situation with respect to these items, and requested Japanese cooperation by limiting exports of these items from Japan. The representative of the Delegation of the Government of Japan expressed his Government's readiness and intention to see to it that the exports of these items from Japan to the United States of America not exceed the respective levels set forth in the attached list, and the representatives of the Delegation of the Government of the United States of America concurred.

FOR THE DELEGATION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN:

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SEPTEMBER 1, 1982
### Japan's Export Restraints on Specific Categories

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<th>Category</th>
<th>Level of Limit, Growth</th>
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<td>(1) TQ 335</td>
<td>Total of 806,852 dozen over 4 years</td>
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<td>Total of 4,955,506 dozen over 4 years</td>
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