ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4:4

Extension of the Bilateral Agreement between
the European Economic Community and Egypt

Note by the Chairman

Attached is a notification received from the Commission of the European Communities concerning the extension of the bilateral agreement between the EEC and Egypt, concluded under MFA II, for the period 1 January-31 December 1982.1

1 The original agreement between the parties, and subsequent amendments, are contained in COM.TEX/SB/461, 675, 690

*English only/Anglais seulement
Dear Mr Ambassador,

I refer to the Community's Agreement with Egypt signed on 24.11.80.

The Agreement was negotiated for a four-year period beginning on 1.1.78 with the possibility of extension for one further year.

In this connection, I am writing to notify the Body that the parties agreed to extend the agreement for a fifth year covering the period 1.1.82 to 31.12.82 by an exchange of letters dated 11.12.81 and 7.12.81 (Annex).

Yours sincerely,
Sir,

Please refer to the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Arab Republic of Egypt signed on 24 November 1980, and in particular to Article 16 paragraph 1 thereof which provides that the Agreement may be extended by mutual agreement until 31 December 1982 and to the Additional Protocol to the Agreement consequent on the accession of the Hellenic Republic to the Community, which was initialled on 19 December 1980.

Given that negotiations for the new Multifibre Arrangement have begun, and on the assumption that such a new Arrangement will be concluded, the European Economic Community wishes to propose, in order to ensure continuity and stability of trading conditions, that it now be agreed to extend the Agreement on Trade in Textile Products between the European Economic Community and the Arab Republic of Egypt until 31 December 1982.

The European Economic Community invites the Government of Egypt to confirm its agreement to the foregoing, it being understood that the agreement of both parties shall not prejudice in any manner the stand of the Government of Egypt or of the European Economic Community with regard to the successor Arrangement to the present Multifibre Arrangement.

I also propose that the present letter and the reply of the Government of Egypt shall constitute an Agreement between the Government of Egypt and the European Economic Community.

Horst G. Krenzler

H.E. Mr. Ahmed Tawfik KHALIL
Ambassador
Head of the Mission of the Arab Republic of Egypt to the European Communities
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1050 Bruxelles.
Sir,

I hereby confirm receipt of the following letter N° 09693 dated 7 December 1981 which reads as follows:

quote - "Please refer to the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Arab Republic of Egypt signed on 24 November 1980, and in particular to Article 15 paragraph 3 thereof which provides that the Agreement may be extended by mutual agreement until 31 December 1982 and to the Additional Protocol to the Agreement consequent on the accession of the Hellenic Republic to the Community, which was initialled on 19 December 1980.

Given that negotiations for the new Multifibre Arrangement have begun, and on the assumption that such a new Arrangement will be concluded, the European Economic Community wishes to propose, in order to ensure continuity and stability of trading conditions, that it now be agreed to extend the Agreement on Trade in Textile Products between the European Economic Community and the Arab Republic of Egypt until 31 December 1982.

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The European Economic Community invites the Government of Egypt to confirm its agreement to the foregoing, it being understood that the agreement of both parties shall not prejudice in any manner the stand of the Government of Egypt on the European Economic Community with regard to the Successor Arrangement to the present Multifibre Arrangement.

I also propose that the present letter and the reply of the Government of Egypt shall constitute an Agreement between the Government of Egypt and the European Economic Community.

I confirm my agreement to the content of the foregoing letter and consider therefore that the exchange of letters constitutes an agreement between the Government of Egypt and the European Economic Community.

Abdel Tawfiq Khalil,
Ambassador,
Chief of the Mission of the Arab Republic of Egypt to the European Communities.

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