

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON
TARIFFS AND TRADE

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Textiles Surveillance Body

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 3:5

Action taken by the United States towards Yugoslavia

Note by the Chairman

Attached is a notification received from the United States concerning a unilateral measure taken under the provisions of Article 3:5, in which imports of wool suit-type coats (Category 433 pt) produced in Yugoslavia have been placed under restraint for the period 30 April 1984 to 29 April 1985.

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For	Action	Comments
OPER. DEPT. A		X
Non Tar. M. Div.		
Development Div.		
Tech. Coop. Div.		
Trade Pol. Div.		
Spec. Proj. Div.	X	
OPER. DEPT. B		X
Econ. R/Anal. Unit		
Agriculture Div.		
Tariff Div.		
Tech. Bar. T. Div.		
Ext. Rel. Div.		
Int. Secur. AFF/Adm.		
Adm. / Fin. Div.		
Trans. / Doc. Div.		
Training Div.		
Personnel Off.		
Conference Off.		

The Honorable
Ambassador Marcelo Raffaeli
Chairman, Textiles Surveillance Body
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Dear Mr. Chairman:

This is to confirm my earlier oral notifications that:

- (a) the United States had requested consultations with Yugoslavia on April 30, 1984, pursuant to article 3 of the Arrangement with respect to men's and boys' wool suit-type coats (category 433 part); and
- (b) pending a mutually satisfactory solution, the United States had on September 4, 1984, pursuant to Article 3.5(i) established a restraint limit of 3,184 dozen for the twelve-month period beginning April 30, 1984, and ending on April 29, 1985. A copy of the U.S. note, which includes the detailed factual statement called for in paragraph 3 of article 3 of the arrangement is attached.

Consultations with respect to this category have been scheduled for October 19, 1984, in Geneva. I will inform you of the results as soon as they are available.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Shepherd
Robert E. Shepherd
Minister-Counselor

Attachment

U.S. - YUGOSLAVIA

-- I HAVE THE HONOR TO REFER TO THE ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES, WITH ANNEXES, DONE AT GENEVA ON DECEMBER 20, 1973 AND EXTENDED BY THE PROTOCOL ADOPTED ON DECEMBER 22, 1981 AT GENEVA (HEREINAFTER REFERRED TO AS THE ARRANGEMENT) AND THE AGREEMENT RELATING TO TRADE IN WOOL AND MAN-MADE FIBER SUITS BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE SOCIALIST FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF YUGOSLAVIA EFFECTED BY EXCHANGE OF NOTES OCTOBER 26 AND 27, 1979 (THE AGREEMENT) AS AMENDED.

-- MY GOVERNMENT HAS NOTED THE SHARP INCREASE IN IMPORTS OF WOOL SUIT-TYPE COATS FOR MEN AND BOYS FROM YUGOSLAVIA. MY GOVERNMENT HAS CONCLUDED THAT THESE IMPORTS ARE DISRUPTING THE UNITED STATES MARKET AND ARE IMPEDING THE ORDERLY DEVELOPMENT OF TRADE AS CONTEMPLATED UNDER ARTICLE THREE OF THE ARRANGEMENT. A DETAILED FACTUAL STATEMENT OF THE REASONS AND JUSTIFICATION FOR THIS CONCLUSION, WITH CURRENT SUPPORTING DATA, IS ENCLOSED AS ANNEX A. ACCORDINGLY, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA HEREBY REQUESTS CONSULTATIONS WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF THE SOCIALIST FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF YUGOSLAVIA TO DISCUSS AN APPROPRIATE LEVEL OF RESTRAINT FOR EXPORTS IN CATEGORY 433 FROM YUGOSLAVIA TO THE UNITED STATES.

-- IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE THREE OF THE ARRANGEMENT, TO WHICH BOTH THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE GOVERNMENT OF YUGOSLAVIA ARE PARTIES, IF OUR TWO GOVERNMENTS ARE UNABLE TO AGREE ON A MUTUALLY SATISFACTORY

SOLUTION TO THIS MATTER WITHIN SIXTY DAYS, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES RESERVES THE RIGHT TO RESTRAIN SUCH IMPORTS PRODUCED IN YUGOSLAVIA AND EXPORTED DURING THE TWELVE MONTH PERIOD BEGINNING ON THE DATE OF YOUR RECEIPT OF THIS REQUEST, TO A LEVEL NOT LESS THAN THE LEVEL OF THE UNITED STATES IMPORTS FROM YUGOSLAVIA DURING THE FIRST TWELVE MONTHS OF THE MOST RECENT FOURTEEN MONTHS PRECEDING THE MONTH IN WHICH THE REQUEST FOR CONSULTATIONS WAS MADE, THAT IS THE PERIOD FEBRUARY 1, 1983 THROUGH JANUARY 31, 1984. THIS LEVEL IS 3,184 DOZEN FOR CATEGORY 433.

-- MY GOVERNMENT WOULD APPRECIATE THE VIEWS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF YUGOSLAVIA WITH RESPECT TO THE SITUATION PERTAINING TO EXPORTS OF CATEGORY 433 TO THE UNITED STATES AND SETTING A MUTUALLY AGREEABLE TIME AND VENUE FOR CONSULTATIONS.

-- (COMPLIMENTARY CLOSE)

ENCLOSURE: ANNEX A.

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CATEGORY 433: U.S. PRODUCTION, IMPORTS AND IMPORT/PRODUCTION RATIOS

PERIOD	PRODUCTION	IMPORTS	RATIO
- TOTAL CATEGORY			
1981	400	66	16.5
1982	373	81	21.7
1983		118	
YE FEBRUARY			
- 1983		82	
- 1984		126	

CATEGORY 433: U.S. IMPORTS FROM YUGOSLAVIA AND TOTAL -1,000 DOZEN-

PERIOD	YUGOSLAVIA	OTHER	TOTAL
1982	1	80	81
1983	3	115	118
YE FEBRUARY			
- 1983	1	81	82
- 1984	4	122	126

CATEGORY 433: DUTY-PAID VALUE AND U.S. PRODUCER PRICE -U.S. DOLLARS PER DOZEN-

TSUSA NO. AND SOURCE	VALUE/PRICE
379.8311	
YUGOSLAVIA	290.18
ROMANIA	298.69
COLOMBIA	287.87
U.S. PRODUCER PRICE	370.00-395.00