

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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16 November 1984

Textiles Surveillance Body

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4:4

Modification of the Bilateral Agreement between the United States and Hong Kong

Note by the Chairman

Attached is a notification received from the United States of further modifications of the bilateral agreement between the United States and Hong Kong. New restraints have been established for ten categories, pursuant to the consultation provisions of the agreement.

¹ The original agreement and previous modifications are contained in COM.TEX/SB/818, 888, 910, 945, 946 and 968

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July 24, 1984

The Honorable
Ambassador Marcelo Raffaelli
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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 that new restraints have been established on 10 products pursuant to the consultations procedures set out in paragraph 7 of the cotton, wool and man-made fiber textiles agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Hong Kong.

These new restraints, which are set out in the attachment to this letter, were sought in order to address a real risk of market disruption with respect to the products concerned.

Attachment

File	Action	Comments	Int.
OPER. DEPT. A			X
Non Tar. IM. Div.			
Development Div.			
Techn. Coop. Div.			
Trade-Pol. Div.			
Spec. Prod. Div.	X		
OPER. DEPT. B			X
Econ. R/Anal. Unit			
Agriculture Div.			
Textil Div.			
Techn. Ser. T. Div.			
Ext. Rel. Div.			
DEPT. CONF. AFF/ADM			
Adm. / Fin. Div.			
Trans. / Sec. Div.			
Training Div.			
Personnel Off.			
Conference Off.			

Sincerely,

Robert E. Shepherd
Robert E. Shepherd
Minister-Counselor

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For	Action	Comments Int.
Chairman TSS		
Min. Sec. TSS		
Chairman TSS		
CHAIRMAN TSS	X	

Exporting country	Product (Category No. and unit)	Level to be reached before consultations may be asked	* Level and date at which the call was made *	Previous year's imports	Minimum level for the restraint if no agreement reached	Restraint level set ^{1/}	Growth
Hong Kong	337 dozen	NA	409,424 (5.84)	461,282 (1983)	639,337	640,00 (1984)	
	359 pt lbs Vests	NA	1,757,912 (6.84)	1,139,656 (1983)	1,961,213	1,980,000 (1984)	
	369 pt lbs. Shop towels	NA	1,132,581 (4.84)	663,407 (1983)	1,169,659	1,169,659 (1984)	
	605 pt. s. thread	NA	468,696 (6.84)	140,798 (1983)	468,696	471,956 (1984)	
	✓ 637 dozen ^{resized}	NA	92,304 (6.84)	34,967 (1983)	107,954	107,954 (1984)	
	649 dozen	NA	399,498 (5.84)	523,590 (1983)	553,896	553,896 (1984)	
	✗ 650 dozen	NA	64,104 (5.84)	62,335 (1983)	73,592	73,592 (1984)	
	✗ 651 dozen	NA	227,430 (5.84)	34,992 (1983)	261,130	261,130 (1984)	
	✓ 652	NA	2,847,670 (2.84)	1,499,434	3,513,103	3,513,103 (1984)	
	659 pt Swimwear	NA	344,574 (5.84)	211,577 (1983)	365,252	403,251 (1984)	

^{1/} The relevant date/period is indicated between brackets

* Level of export authorizations issued

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Hong Kong	✓ 337 dozen	NA	409,424 (5.84)	461,282 (1983)	639,337	640,000 (1984)	agreed
	✓ 359 pt lbs Vests	NA	1,757,912 (6.84)	1,139,656 (1983)	1,961,213	1,980,000 (1984)	agreed
	369 pt lbs. Shop towels	NA	1,132,581 (4.84)	663,407 (1983)	1,169,659 ⁷ ²	1,169,659 (1984)	
	✓ 605 pt. s. thread	NA	468,696 (6.84)	140,798 (1983)	468,696	471,956 (1984)	agreed
	637 dozen	NA	92,304 (6.84)	34,967 (1983)	107,954	107,954 (1984)	
	✓ 649 dozen	NA	399,498 (5.84)	523,590 (1983)	553,896	553,896 (1984)	agreed
	650 dozen	NA	64,104 (5.84)	62,335 (1983)	73,592	73,592 (1984)	
	651 dozen	NA	227,430 (5.84)	34,992 (1983)	261,130	261,130 (1984)	
	652	NA	2,847,670 (2.84)	1,499,434	3,513,103	3,513,103 (1984)	
	✓ 659 pt Swimwear	NA	344,574 (5.84)	211,577 (1983)	365,252	403,251 (1984)	agreed

^{1/} The relevant date/period is indicated between brackets

* Level of export authorizations issued