

# GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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TEX.SB/1128\*  
23 July 1985

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Textiles Surveillance Body

## ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

### Notification under Article 4:4

#### Bilateral Agreement between the United States and Bangladesh

#### Note by the Chairman

Attached is a notification received from the United States of a bilateral agreement concluded with Bangladesh with respect to Categories 334 and 340. The bilateral agreement supersedes and replaces the measures notified by the United States under Article 3:5 (TEX.SB/1106).<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> The restraint periods are as follows:  
Category 334 - 29 January 1985 to 28 January 1987  
Category 340 - 1 March 1985 to 28 February 1987

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UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

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July 17, 1985

The Honorable  
Ambassador Marcelo Raffaelli  
Chairman, Textiles Surveillance Body  
GATT  
Rue De Lausanne 154  
1211 Geneva

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Per our discussion in last week's TSB meeting, I enclose a copy of the U.S. State Department press release on the exchange of letters between the U.S. and Bangladesh which put into effect an Article 4 bilateral agreement on categories 334 and 340. This bilateral agreement supercedes the restraints imposed earlier pursuant to Article 3.5 and notified to the TSB in Tex.SB/1106.

Sincerely,

*Robert A. Shepherd*  
Robert A. Shepherd  
Minister-Counselor

Enclosure

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Textiles Division

# Public Release

United States Department of State  
*Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs*  
Washington, D.C.

July 5, 1985

## UNITED STATES AND PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BANGLADESH ESTABLISH BILATERAL TEXTILE AGREEMENT

The United States and the People's Republic of Bangladesh exchanged letters in Washington to establish a bilateral agreement on trade in cotton textiles and textile products between the two Governments. Texts of the letters follow.

### UNITED STATES LETTER

Washington  
June 28, 1985

Ambassador A.Z.M. Obaidullah Khan  
Embassy of the People's Republic of Bangladesh  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Ambassador Khan:

It is my understanding that the following was agreed during our discussions in Washington on June 27 and 28.

The government of Bangladesh will restrain its exports of cotton shirts in category 340 at 330,000 dozens for the period of March 1, 1985 to February 28, 1986 and 349,800 dozens for the subsequent twelve month period of March 1, 1986 to February 28, 1987. The government of Bangladesh will also restrain its exports of cotton coats in category 334 at 55,000 dozens for the period of January 29, 1985 to January 28, 1986 and 58,300 dozens for the period of January 29, 1986 to January 28, 1987. Swing of 6 percent between the two categories shall be available. Carry-forward of 6 percent will be available during the initial twelve month periods and, where shortfall occurs, carryover of 11 percent will be available in the subsequent twelve month periods. The United States government will have the right to assist in implementing the above understanding. It has also been agreed that,

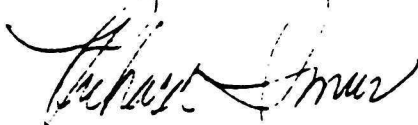
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should either party wish a review of this agreement after the first year, the other party will agree to the review.

I would appreciate your confirmation that the above understanding is correct.

Sincerely,



Ambassador Richard Imus  
Chief Textile Negotiator

PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF BANGLADESH LETTER

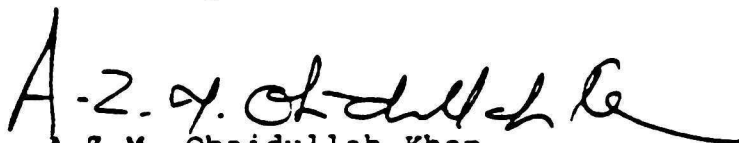
Washington  
June 28, 1985

The Honorable Richard H. Imus  
Chief Textile Negotiator  
Office of the U.S. Trade Representative  
600 17th Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20506

Dear Ambassador Imus:

Thank you for your letter dated June 28, 1985 concerning Bangladesh's exports of cotton shirts in Category 340 and cotton coats in Category 334 to the United States. I would like to confirm that your letter accurately reflects the understanding reached between our governments.

Sincerely,



A.Z.M. Obaidullah Khan  
Ambassador