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TARIFFS AND TRADE**

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Textiles Surveillance Body

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4:4

Modification of the Bilateral Agreement
between the EEC and Bangladesh

Note by the Chairman

Attached is a notification received from the EEC of a modification of its consultation agreement with Bangladesh. Regional restraints have been agreed on Category 8 (shirts) when imported into France and the United Kingdom.

¹ The original bilateral agreement is contained in COM.TEX/SB/918

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In connection with the European Economic Community's Agreement on trade in textile products with Bangladesh negotiated under Article 4 of the Arrangement and initialled on 16 July 1982, I have to inform you of the following.

During the course of 1984 imports of shirts (category 8) from Bangladesh into France and the United Kingdom exceeded 166,000 pieces and 210,000 pieces respectively, being the levels at which the Community could ask for consultations with a view to establishing regional limits under the provisions of Article 5 and Protocol C of the Agreement. The Community being of the view that there was real risk of market disruption in this case, the two sides opened consultations on 15 January 1985 in pursuance of Article 7 of the Agreement. As a result of this process of consultation, and in conformity with the provisions of the Agreement, Bangladesh agreed on 29 July 1985 to limit its exports as follow.

Category	Unit	Member State	1985	1986
8	1 000 pieces	France	1,800	1,908
		UK	2,200	2,332

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These new limits contained in the agreed minute annexed to this letter are herewith communicated under Article 4, paragraph 4 of the Arrangement, as a modification to the Community's Agreement with Bangladesh.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'J. Keck', written in a cursive style.

J. KECK

Enc.

AGREED MINUTE

1. Delegations of the People's Republic of Bangladesh and the European Community, after a period of consultations held in accordance with Articles 5, 7 and Protocol C of the Agreement on trade in textiles between Bangladesh and the Community initialled on 16 July 1982, agreed that Bangladesh will limit its exports of shirts (category 8) to the Community's regions of France and the United Kingdom in the year 1985 as follows :

France	:	1985	1,800,000 pieces
UK	:	1985	2,200,000 pieces

It was also agreed that in 1986 Bangladesh would limit its exports of shirts (category 8) to the same two regions of the Community to the respective levels obtained by applying a 6 % growth rate to the above quantities. Accordingly, the limits for 1986 will be :

France	:	1986	1,908,000 pieces
UK	:	1986	2,332,000 pieces

2. It is understood that these limits will be administered under the standard double-checking system in use between the EC and its MFA partner countries, the text of which is annexed to this Agreed Minute and forms an integral part of this.
3. It is further understood that the carryover and advance use provisions set out in Protocol C, para. 10, sub-paras. 1 and 2 of the Agreement will apply to exports of category 8 products to the Community's regions of France and the United Kingdom as from 1 January 1985.

Brussels, 29 July 1985,


For the Delegation of the
People's Republic of Bangladesh


For the Delegation of the
European Economic Community

BASKET EXIT LIMITATION

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CATEGORY : 8

UNITS : 1 000 pieces

COUNTRIES : BANGLADESH

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| a) Date when new limit was agreed | - 29/7/85 |
| b) Basket Exit Level (Group II : 1,2X) | - France : 166, UK : 210 |
| c) Provisional limit introduced pending outcome of consultations | - 17/12/84 - 16/3/85 (date, pieces/tonnes)
France : 350, UK : 300(1) |
| d) Level of new agreed limit | - France : 1,800 UK : 2,200 |
| e) First year of application of new limit | - 1985 |
| f) Annual growth | - 6 % |
| g) Date when consultations were requested | - 17/12/84 |
| h) Recorded imports at date of request | - France : 915 - UK : 819 |
| i) Period covered by h) | - Jan - Sept 1984 |
| j) Imports during calendar year preceding year during which consultation was requested | - France : 1,020 - UK : 190 |

(1) In view of the fact that consultations continued beyond the period foreseen by the Agreement the above limits were replaced by limits of 900,000 pieces for France and 850,000 pieces for the UK for the period 17/12/84 to 31/7/85. (cf. Reg. 3589/82)