# **GENERAL AGREEMENT ON**

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# TARIFFS AND TRADE

Textiles Surveillance Body

#### ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4

Amendments of the bilateral agreement between the United States and Indonesia

Note by the Chairman

Attached is a notification received from the United States of two amendments of its bilateral agreement with Indonesia, which include the introduction of specific limits on Categories 342/642, 350, 345, 636, 637, 651 and 369-D (dish towels).

<sup>\*</sup>English only/Anglais seulement/Inglés solamente

The text of the bilateral agreement is contained in COM.TEX/SB/1143.



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June 30, 1987

The Honorable
Ambassador Marcelo Raffaelli
Chairman, Textiles Surveillance Body
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Dear Ambassador Raffaelli:

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 of two amendments of the bilateral textile agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Indonesia.

#### These amendments:

- change the provision formerly applying to exclusion of shipments valued at less than \$250.00
- include provisions to deal with overshipments or anticipated overshipments in several categories
- 3. establish seven new specific limits in Group II. These limits were sought by the U.S. to deal with real risks of market disruption. In two cases, consulations were requested formally in November 1986; in the other five, the items were raised in advance of, and considered during, January 1987 consultations.

The Honorable Ambassador Marcelo Raffaelli June 30, 1987 Page Two

Product	Date of Request	Formula Level or Roll Back <u>Level</u>	Agreed Restraint (Notional Annual Level)
cotton & mmf skirts (cat 342/642)	November 1986	121,250 doz. (FL)	160,000 doz.
cotton dressing (350)	November 1986	53,570 doz. (FL)	58,000 doz.
cotton sweaters (345)	January 1987	193,356 doz. (RB)	205,000 doz.
mmf dresses (636)	January 1987	168,693 doz. (RB)	210,000 doz.
mmf playsuits (637)	January 1987	118,031 doz.	130,000 doz.
mmf nightwear (651)	January 1987	76,209 doz. (RB)	103,000 doz.
cotton dishtowels (369D)	January 1987	704,027 lbs. (RB)	850,000 lbs.

Growth rates for these categories have been set at 6%, swing at 7%, and carryover/carry forward at 11/6%.

Attached hereto are copies of the notes giving effect to these amendments.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Shepherd

Minister-Counsellor

Attachment



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

March 30, 1987

# UNITED STATES AND INDONESIA AMEND BILATERAL TEXTILE AGREEMENT

The Unites States and Indonesia amended their bilateral textile agreement by exchanged of notes on February 3, 1987. Texts of the notes follow:

#### UNITED STATES NOTE

February 3, 1987

The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Department of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia and has the honor to refer to the agreement relating to trade in cotton, wool and man-made fiber textiles and textile products effected by exchange of letters dated September 25, 1985, and October 3, 1985, and to discussions between representatives of the Government of Indonesia and the Government of the United States of America in Washington, D.C., January 14 and 15, 1987.

As a result of these discussions the Government of the United States proposes the following amendments to the agreement:

Specific limits shall be established for the following categories within Group II:

Jan. 1, 1987 -

July 1, 1987 -

Category

June 30, 1987

June 30, 1988

342/642

80,000 DZ

169,600 DZ

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350	29,000 I	61,480	DZ
345	102,500 I	217,300	DZ
636	- 105,000 r	222,600	DZ
637	65,000 I	137,800	DZ
651	51,500 1	109,180	D2
369-D	425,000 1	LBS 901,000	LBS

Annex C shall be amended to include category 369-Dishtowels (369-D). Category 369-Other (369-0) shall now signify all products in category 369 not included in category 369-D or category 369-Shoptowels (369-S).

Overshipments in category 369-S of 771,371 lbs. for the 1985-86 agreement year shall be charged in four equal parts against the specific limits for category 369-S during the period from July 1, 1986 to June 30, 1987, for 369-D during the period January 1, 1987 to June 30, 1987, and for categories 369-S and 369-D for the agreement year July 1, 1987 to June 30, 1988. The amount to be charged against each of these categories for each agreement period shall be 192,483 lbs..

The flexibility provisions of paragraph 5 of the agreement shall apply to the newly created specific limits listed above.

The limits for Group II listed in Annex C shall remain unchanged. Should unused quota exist in the newly created specific limits within Group II in the course of an agreement year, the unused yardage may be applied to unrestrained categories in Group II.

If this proposal is acceptable to the Government of Indonesia, this note and the note of confirmation from the Government of Indonesia shall constitute an amendment to the agreement.

The Embassy of the United States of America avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Department of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia the assurance of its highest consideration.

Embassy of the United States of America

Jakarta, February 3, 1987



# INDONESIA NOTE

The Department of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia presents its compliments to the Embassy of the United States of America and has the honour to refer to the Embassy's Note No. 0080 dated February 3, 1987 which reads as follows:

"The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Department of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia and has the honor to refer to the agreement relating to trade in cotton, wool and man-made fiber textiles and textile products effected by exchange of letters dated September 25, 1985, and October 3, 1985, and to discussions between representatives of the Government of Indonesia and the Government of the United States of America in Washington, D.C., January 14 and 15, 1987.

As a result of these discussions the Government of the United States proposes the following amendments to the agreement:

Specific limits shall be established for the following categories within Group II:

	Jan. 1, 1987 -	July 1, 1987 -
Category	June 30, 1987	June 30, 1988
342/642	80,000 DZ	169,600 DZ
350	29,000 DZ	61,480 DZ
345	102,500 DZ	217,300 DZ
636	105,000 DZ	222,600 DZ
637	65,000 DZ	137,800 DZ
651	51,500 DZ	109,180 DZ
369-D	425,000 LBS	901,000 LBS

Annex C shall be amended to include category 369-Dishtowels (369-D). Category 369-Other (369-O) shall now signify all products in category 369 not included in category 369-D or category 369-Shoptowels (369-S).

Overshipments in category 369-S of 771,371 lbs. for the 1985-86 agreement year shall be charged in four equal parts against the specific limits for category 369-S during the period from July 1, 1986 to June 30, 1987, for 369-D during the period January 1, 1987 to June 30, 1987, and for categories 369-S and 369-D for the agreement year July 1, 1987 to June 30, 1988. The amount to be charged against each of these categories for each agreement period shall be 192,483 lbs.

The flexibility provisions of paragraph 5 of the agreement shall apply to the newly created specific limits listed above.

The limits for Group II listed in Annex C shall remain unchanged. Should unused quota exist in the newly created specific limits within Group II in the course of an agreement year, the unused yardage my be applied to unrestrained categories in Group II.

If this proposal is acceptable to the Government of Indonesia, this note and the note of confirmation from the Government of Indonesia shall constitute an amendment to the agreement.

The Embassy of the United States of America avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Department of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia the assurance of its highest consideration."

The Department has further the honour to confirm acceptance of the amendments to the bilateral textile agreement and to agree that this note, together with the Embassy's note shall constitute an amendment to the agreement.

The Department of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Indonesia avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Embassy of the United States of America the assurances of its highest consideration.

Jakarta, March 10,1987

To
The Embassy of the
United States of America
JAKARTA





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

April 2, 1987

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# UNITED STATES AND INDONESIA AMEND. BILATERAL TEXTILE AGREEMENT

The United States and Indonesia amended their bilateral textile agreement by exchanged of notes dated April 1, 1987 and April 2, 1987. Texts of the notes follow:

# UNITED STATES NOTE

April 1, 1987

Excellency

I have the honor to refer to the Arrangement relating to International Trade in Textiles, with Annexes, done at Geneva on December 20, 1973, as extended by Protocol adopted on July 31, 1986 (the Arrangement), and to the Agreement between the United States of America and Indonesia, regarding trade in cotton, wool and man-made fiber textiles and textile products signed in Jakarta on September 25, 1985, and October 3, 1985 (the Agreement). I also refer to the recently concluded discussions between our two Governments held in Washington on March 24-26, 1987.

I have the further honor to propose amending the Agreement by deleting current sub-paragraph 16 (C), which reads as follows:

"Export of cotton, wool and man-made fiber textile products in shipments individually valued at less than 250 dollars shall not be charged to the limits of this Agreement."

In lieu thereof I propose the following language as sub-paragraph 16 (C):

"Merchandise imported for the personal use of the importer and not for resale, regardless of value, and properly marked commercial sample shipments valued at U.S. 250 dollars or less do not require a visa for entry and shall not be charged to Agreement levels."

I am also pleased to inform you that my

Government will make available special carryforward of

25,000 dozen for Category 639 for the July 1, 1986 
June 30, 1987 Agreement Year only. For Category

342/642 special carryforward of 15,000 dozen shall be

available for the January 1, 1987 - June 30, 1987

Agreement Period only.

If this proposal is acceptable to your Government, this note and the note of confirmation from your Government shall constitute an amendment to the Agreement.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

For the Secretary of State:

Ralah R. Johnson

### INDONESIA NOTE

Excellency:

April 2, 1987

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your note dated April 1, 1987 which reads as follows:

"I have the honor to refer to the Arrangement relating to International Trade in Textiles, with Annexes, done at Geneva on December 20, 1973, as extended by Protocol adopted on July 31, 1986 (the Arrangement), and to the Agreement between the United States of America and Indonesia, regarding trade in cotton, wool and man-made fiber textiles and textile products signed in Jakarta on September 25, 1985, and October 3, 1985 (the Agreement). I also refer to the recently concluded discussions between our two Governments held in Washington on March 24-26, 1987.

I have the further honor to propose amending the Agreement by deleting current sub-paragraph 16 (c), which reads as follows:

"Export of cotton, wool and man-made fiber textile products in shipments individually valued at less than 250 dollars shall not be charged to the limits of this Agreement."

In lieu thereof I propose the following language as sub-paragraph 16 (C):

"Merchandise imported for the personal use of the importer and not for resale, regardless of value,

and properly marked commercial sample shipments value at U.S. 250 dollars or less do not require a visa for entry and shall not be charged to Agreement levels."

I am also pleased to inform you that my Government will make available special carryforward of 25,000 dozen for Category 639 for July 1, 1986 - June 30, 1987 Agreement Year only. For Category 342/642 special carryforward of 15,000 dozen shall be available for January 1, 1987 - June 30, 1987 Agreement Period only.

If this proposal is acceptable to your Government, this note and the note of confirmation from your Government shall constitute an amendment to the Agreement.

Accept, Excellency, the renewd assurances of my highest consideration."

I have further the honor to confirm that the proposed amendments as described in your note is acceptable to my Government and agree that your note and this note shall be regarded as constituting an agreement between the two Governments, which will enter into force on the date of this reply.

Accept, Excellency, the assurance of my highest consideration.

For the Ambassador