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18 July 1988

Textiles Surveillance Body

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4

Exchange of letters covering the bilateral agreement between Canada and Poland

Note by the Chairman

Attached are copies of an exchange of letters concerning product coverage of the bilateral agreement between Canada and Poland. Leather coats, etc., have been excluded from coverage.¹

* English only/Anglais seulement/Inglés solamente

¹ The text of the bilateral agreement is contained in TEX/SB/1450.

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July 11, 1988

Ambassador M. Raffaelli
Chairman
Textiles Surveillance Body
General Agreement on Tariffs
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Centre William Rappard
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Dear Ambassador Raffaelli:

Further to my letter of March 9, please find enclosed copies of an exchange of letters between the Government of Canada and the Government of Poland amending the bilateral agreement to remove paragraph 21 of Annex II.

Yours sincerely,


J. Gero
Counsellor

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Canadian Embassy



Ambassade du Canada

NOTE NO. 018

The Embassy of Canada presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Polish People's Republic and has the honour to refer to the Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of Canada and the Government of Poland relating to the export from Poland of certain textiles and textile products for import into Canada in particular to Annex III thereof.

The Canadian authorities wish to bring to the attention of the Polish authorities that: (a) whereas Annex III includes in paragraph 21, garments of leather, (b) whereas the Memorandum of Understanding has been concluded having regard to the arrangement regarding international trade in textiles (MFA), (c) whereas the MFA does not apply to garments of leather, and (d) whereas it is desirable to avoid an inconsistency between the Memorandum of Understanding and the MFA, therefore the Canadian authorities wish to propose that paragraph 21 of Annex III of the Memorandum of Understanding, which reads "leather coats, leather outdoor jackets, overcoats, topcoats and sportcoats including those made of genuine leather, genuine sheepskin and genuine suede" be stricken from the Annex and from the coverage of the Memorandum of Understanding.

The Canadian authorities further propose that, if this deletion is acceptable to the Polish authorities, that this Note and the Note of reply from the Government of Poland confirming its acceptance of this proposal constitute an amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding to this effect.

The Embassy of Canada avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Polish People's Republic the assurances of its highest consideration.



WARSAW, April 18, 1988.

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The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Polish People's Republic presents its compliments to the Embassy of Canada in Warsaw and has the honour to acknowledge the receipt of the Embassy's Note No 018 of April 18, 1988 which reads as follow:

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Embassy of Canada
in Warsaw

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The Ministry of Foreign Affairs has the honour to inform that the Government of the Polish People's Republic accepts the above mentioned proposal and agrees that the Embassy's note and this reply shall constitute an amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding relating to the export from Poland of certain textiles and textiles products for import into Canada.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Embassy of Canada the assurances of its highest consideration. 7

Warsaw, May 31, 1988.

