# GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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26 August 1988

Textiles Surveillance Body

#### ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4

Amendment of the Bilateral agreement between the United States and Jamaica

Note by the Chairman

Attached is a notification received from the United States of a further amendment of its bilateral agreement with Jamaica. Two guaranteed access levels (GALs) were increased with effect from 1 January 1988.

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The bilateral agreement and previous amendments are contained in COM.TEX/SB/1236, 1326, and 1347.



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August 10, 1988

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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 Textile Surveillance Body of the further amendment of the bilateral textile agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Jamaica.

This amendment increases the guaranteed access levels (GALS) for category 632 from 2,000,000 dozen pair to 2,500,000 dozen pair and for category 338/339/638/639 from 1,500,000 dozen to 2,500,000 dozen, effective January 1, 1988. Attached hereto are copies of the notes giving effect to this announcement.

Enclosure

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Minister Counselor



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

May 6, 1988

## UNITED STATES AND JAMAICA AMEND BILATERAL TEXTILE AGREEMENT

The United States and Jamaica exchanged notes on April 5 and the 14, 1988 to amend their bilateral textile agreement. Texts of the notes follows:

#### UNITED STATES NOTE

April 5, 1988

The Acting Secretary of State presents his compliments to his Excellency the Ambassador of Jamaica and has the honor to refer to the Agreement between the United States and Jamaica relating to trade in textiles and textile products of cotton, wool, man-made fiber, silk-blends and other vegetable fibers manufactured in Jamaica and exported to the United States, including apparel and made-up textile products assembled in Jamaica wholly from components cut in the United States from fabrics formed in the United States, effected by exchange of Tetters in Washington, D.C. on August 27, 1986 (hereinafter called "the Agreement.")

The Acting Secretary further refers to consultations held in Washington on March 22-23, 1988. As a result of these consultations, the Acting Secretary of State proposes amending two Guaranteed Access Levels, as set out in Annex B of the Agreement, as follows:

Category

January 1, 1988 -

January 1, 1989 -

December 31, 1988

December 31, 1989

338/339/638/639 1,500,000 dozen

1,500,000 dozen

632

2,500,000 dozen pair

2,500,000 dozen pair

If the foregoing is acceptable to the Embassy of Jamaica, this note and the Embassy's note of confirmation shall constitute an amendment to the Agreement.

Department of State,

Washington, April , 1988.

#### JAMAICA NOTE

April 14, 1988

The Ambassador of Jamaica presents his compliments to the Secretary of State and has the honour to acknowledge receipt of the Acting Secretary's Note dated April 5, 1988 concerning the Agreement between the United States and Jamaica relating to trade in textiles and textile products of cotton, wool, man-made fiber, silk-blends and other vegetable fibers manufactured in Jamaica and exported to the United States, including apparel and made-up textile products assembled in Jamaica wholly from components cut in the United States from fabrics formed in the United States,

effected by exchange of letters in Washington, D.C. on August 27, 1986 (hereinafter called "the Agreement").

The Ambassador wishes to advise that the amendments proposed to the Agreement in the Acting Secretary's Note are acceptable to the Government of Jamaica.

The Ambassador of Jamaica avails himself of this opportunity to renew to the Secretary of State the assurances of his highest consideration.



EMBASSY OF JAMAICA Washington, D.C.

April 14, 1988