

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

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TARIFFS AND TRADE

TEX.SB/1536*
16 January 1989

Textiles Surveillance Body

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4

Amendment of the bilateral agreement between Austria and Hong Kong

Note by the Chairman

Attached is a notification received from Austria of a further amendment of its bilateral agreement with Hong Kong. Product coverage of one restrained category was reduced, and a new restraint was agreed on another clothing category.¹

¹The bilateral agreement and a previous amendment are contained in COM.TEX/SB/1274 and 1413.

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PERMANENT DELEGATION
OF AUSTRIA TO THE GATT

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Geneva, 3 January 1989

No 1684-G/89

Re: MFA

Sir,

I have the honour to transmit a Memorandum of understanding relating to trade in certain products between the Peoples Republic of China and Austria signed in Beijing on 28th October 1988 as well as an "Agreed Minute" of consultations between a delegation of the Government of Hong Kong and a delegation of the Federal Government of Austria dated 2 November 1988. The latter met between 31 October and 2 November 1988 in Hong Kong for consultations under the Arrangement regarding International Trade in Textiles as extended by the Protocol of 31 July 1986. Both texts and their Annexes and Attachments will be published shortly in the Austrian Federal Law Gazette.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Encl.

Mr. Arthur DUNKEL
Director-General

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(Johannes Potocnik)
Minister

Agreed Minute

A delegation of the Government of Hong Kong and a delegation of the Federal Government of Austria met between 31 October and 2 November 1988 in Hong Kong for consultations under the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles as extended by the Protocol of 31 July 1986. During the consultations the two parties addressed, inter alia, matters concerning both the Memorandum of Understanding regarding Hong Kong's exports of certain textile products to Austria (the 'Restraint Memorandum') and the Memorandum of Understanding regarding an export authorization system on exports of certain textile products from Hong Kong to Austria (the 'Authorization Memorandum'), both of which were signed between the Government of Hong Kong and the Federal Government of Austria on 2 January 1987 in Vienna and 28 February 1987 in Hong Kong, as amended by the Agreed Minute signed on 18 December 1987.

2. As a result of the consultations, the two parties agreed to remove dresses, knitted or crocheted, of synthetic fibres from the coverage of Item 4 under the restraint arrangement of the 'Restraint Memorandum' and include them as an additional item under the 'Authorization Memorandum' with effect from 7 November 1988.

3. The two parties also agreed to remove the following products from the coverage of Item Nos. 1 and 2 under the export authorization system of the 'Authorization Memorandum' and include them as an additional item in Annex I of the 'Restraint Memorandum' as detailed below :

Annex I

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| Item No. | Description | Limits in pieces | | Conversion factor (pieces per kilogram) |
|-------------|---|---------------------|----------------------|--|
| | | 1.2.88 - 31.1.89 | 1.2.89 - 31.1.90. | |
| (a) | (d) | (f) | (g) | (h) |
| 5 | Anoraks (including ski-jackets), wind-cheaters and wind-jackets, not knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly of cotton or of man-made fibres, men's and boys' wear | 328,349 | 336,558 | 2.30 |

4. Both parties further agreed that as a result of the consultations referred to in paragraph 1 above, Annex I to the 'Restraint Memorandum' and the Annex to the 'Authorization Memorandum' are to be replaced by Attachments 1 and 2 respectively to this Agreed Minute with effect from 1 February 1988.

5. For the purposes of applying the formula in sub-paragraph 10(a) of the 'Authorization Memorandum', the two parties agreed that the level of export authorizations issued during the period 1 February 1987 to 31 January 1988 would be regarded as the following for the items affected by the above measures :

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| E/A Item No. | Description | Level of E/As issued |
|-----------------|--|----------------------------|
| | | 1.2.87-31.1.88 (pieces) |
| 1 | Jackets and blazers, (excluding anoraks, wind- cheaters and wind-jackets), not knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly of cotton, or of man-made fibres; jackets and blazers, not knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly of wool, men's and boys' wear | 26,885 |
| 2 | Gymnastic pants, ski-vests, and swimwear, not knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly of cotton or of man- made fibres, men's and boys' wear | 371,736 |
| 14 | Dresses, knitted or crocheted, of synthetic fibres, women's, girls' and babies' wear | 42,085 |

The revised level of export authorizations issued to date for the items affected in the period commencing 1 February 1988 will be advised by the Government of Hong Kong in its next return of statistics under paragraph 5 of the 'Authorization Memorandum'.

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6. During the consultations, the Hong Kong delegation and the Austrian delegation discussed arrangements to ensure a smooth transition for the introduction of the measures provided for in this Agreed Minute. The Federal Government of Austria undertook that exports of Item 5 in paragraph 3 above from Hong Kong and covered by valid export licences (Form 4) issued by the Government of Hong Kong on or before 7 November 1988 would continue to be admitted into Austria after 7 November 1988.

7. During the consultations the Austrian delegation informed the Hong Kong delegation that it would not further pursue the other calls for restraint contained in its Note Verbale dated 29 March 1988. However it would return to these matters in the context of consultations envisaged to be held in 1989 with a view to agreeing on a successor bilateral textiles agreement commencing 1 February 1990.

Done in Hong Kong, 2 November 1988

For the Federal Government
of Austria

For the Government of
Hong Kong



Josef Mayer
Director, Federal Ministry
for Economic Affairs.



Stuart Harbinson
Deputy Director of Trade,
Trade Department.

| Item No. | Austrian Statistical Classification No. | Hong Kong Statistical Classification No. | Description | Limits in pieces | | | Conversion factor for swing purposes (pieces per kilogram) |
|----------|---|--|--|------------------|------------------|------------------|--|
| | | | | 1.2.87 - 31.1.88 | 1.2.88 - 31.1.89 | 1.2.89 - 31.1.90 | |
| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (e) | (f) | (g) | (h) |
| 1 | 6205.20 | 6205 2010 | Shirts, not knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly of cotton or of discontinuous synthetic fibres, men's, boys' and babies' wear | 1,104,242 | 1,115,284 | 1,126,437 | 5.00 |
| | | 6205 2020 | | | | | |
| | ex 6205.30 | ex 6205 3010 | | | | | |
| | | ex 6205 3030 | | | | | |
| | ex 6209.20 | ex 6209 2020 | | | | | |
| | ex 6209.30 | ex 6209 3020 | | | | | |
| 2 | 6206.30 | 6206 3010 | Blouses, not knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly of cotton or of man-made fibres, women's, girls' and babies' wear | 1,038,746 | 1,049,133 | 1,059,624 | 5.00 |
| | | 6206 3020 | | | | | |
| | 6206.40 | 6206 4010 | | | | | |
| | | 6206 4020 | | | | | |
| | ex 6209.20 | ex 6209 2020 | | | | | |
| | ex 6209.30 | ex 6209 3020 | | | | | |
| | ex 6209.90 | ex 6209 9002 | | | | | |
| 3 | 6203.42 | 6203 4210 | Trousers, bib and brace overalls, breeches, shorts, and divided skirts, not knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly of cotton or of man-made fibres | 1,696,120 | 1,745,042 | 1,779,943 | 1.76 |
| | | 6203 4220 | | | | | |
| | | 6203 4230 | | | | | |
| | | 6203 4240 | | | | | |
| | 6203.43 | 6203 4310 | | | | | |
| | | 6203 4320 | | | | | |
| | | 6203 4330 | | | | | |
| | | 6203 4340 | | | | | |
| | ex 6203.49 | 6203 4910 | | | | | |
| | | 6203 4920 | | | | | |
| | | 6203 4930 | | | | | |
| | | 6203 4940 | | | | | |
| | ex 6204.52 | ex 6204 5210 | | | | | |
| | | ex 6204 5220 | | | | | |
| | ex 6204.53 | ex 6204 5310 | | | | | |
| | | ex 6204 5320 | | | | | |
| | ex 6204.59 | ex 6204 5910 | | | | | |
| | | ex 6204 5920 | | | | | |

| Item No. | Austrian Statistical Classification No. | Hong Kong Statistical Classification No. | Description | Limits in pieces | | | Conversion for swing purp (pieces per kilogr |
|----------|---|--|--|------------------|------------------|------------------|--|
| | | | | 1.2.87 - 31.1.88 | 1.2.88 - 31.1.89 | 1.2.89 - 31.1.90 | |
| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (e) | (f) | (g) | (h) |
| | 6204.62 | 6204 6210 6204 6220 6204 6230 6204 6240 | | | | | |
| | 6204.63 | 6204 6310 6204 6320 6204 6330 6204 6340 | | | | | |
| | ex 6204.69 | 6204 6910 6204 6920 6204 6930 6204 6940 | | | | | |
| | ex 6209.20 | ex 6209 2010 ex 6209 2020 | | | | | |
| | ex 6209.30 | ex 6209 3010 ex 6209 3020 | | | | | |
| | ex 6209.90 | ex 6209 9001 ex 6209 9002 | | | | | |
| 4 | 6204.42 | 6204 4210 6204 4220 | Dresses, not knitted or crocheted, of cotton or of man-made fibres; skirts, not knitted or crocheted, of cotton, women's, girls' and babies'wear | 583,482 | 595,152 | 607,055 | 3.10 |
| | 6204.43 | 6204 4310 6204 4320 | | | | | |
| | 6204.44 | 6204 4410 6204 4420 | | | | | |
| | ex 6204.52 | ex 6204 5210 ex 6204 5220 | | | | | |
| | ex 6209.20 | ex 6209 2010 | | | | | |
| | ex 6209.30 | ex 6209 3010 | | | | | |
| | ex 6209.90 | ex 6209 9001 | | | | | |

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| Item No. | Austrian Statistical Classification No. | Hong Kong Statistical Classification No. | Description | Limits in pieces | | | Conversion for swing purp (pieces per kilo) |
|-------------|--|--|---|------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|
| | | | | 1.2.87 - 31.1.88 | 1.2.88 - 31.1.89 | 1.2.89 - 31.1.90 | |
| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (e) | (f) | (g) | (h) |
| 5 | ex 6201.92 ex 6201.93 | ex 6201 9210 ex 6201 9220 ex 6201 9310 ex 6201 9320 | Anoraks (including ski-jackets), wind- cheaters and wind- jackets, not knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly of cotton or of man-made fibres, men's and boys' wear | Not Appli- cable | 328,349 | 336,558 | 2.30 |

ANNEX

| Item No. | Austrian Statistical Classification No. | Hong Kong Statistical Classification No. | Description |
|----------|---|--|--|
| 1 | 6203.31 | 6203 3110 | Jackets and blazers, (excluding anoraks, wind-cheaters and wind-jackets), not knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly of cotton, or of man-made fibres; jackets and blazers, not knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly of wool, men's and boys' wear |
| | | 6203 3120 | |
| | 6203.32 | 6203 3210 | |
| | | 6203 3220 | |
| | 6203.33 | 6203 3310 | |
| | | 6203 3320 | |
| | ex 6203.39 | ex 6203 3910 | |
| 2 | | ex 6203 3920 | Gymnastic pants, ski-vests, and swimwear, not knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly of cotton or of man-made fibres, men's and boys' wear |
| | ex 6201.91 | ex 6201 9110 | |
| | | ex 6201 9120 | |
| | | | |
| | ex 6211.32 | ex 6211 3270 | |
| | | ex 6211 3280 | |
| | ex 6211.33 | ex 6211 3370 | |
| 3 | | ex 6211 3380 | Dresses, not knitted or crocheted, of wool; skirts, not knitted or crocheted, of wool or of man-made fibres, women's, girls' and babies' wear |
| | 6211.11 | 6211 1110 | |
| | | 6211 1120 | |
| | | 6211 1130 | |
| | | 6211 1140 | |
| | 6204.41 | 6204 4110 | |
| | | 6204 4120 | |
| | ex 6204.51 | ex 6204 5110 | |
| | | ex 6204 5120 | |
| | ex 6204.53 | ex 6204 5310 | |
| | | ex 6204 5320 | |
| | ex 6204.59 | ex 6204 5910 | |
| | | ex 6204 5920 | |
| | ex 6209.10 | ex 6209 1010 | |
| | ex 6209.30 | ex 6209 3010 | |
| | ex 6209.90 | ex 6209 9001 | |

| Item No. | Austrian Statistical Classification No. | Hong Kong Statistical Classification No. | Description |
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| 4 | 6202.12 | ex 6202 1210 | Coats, including raincoats but excluding capes and gowns, not knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly of cotton or of man-made fibres, women's, girls' and babies' wear |
| | | ex 6202 1220 | |
| | | 6202 1230 | |
| | | 6202 1240 | |
| | | 6202 1250 | |
| | | 6202 1260 | |
| | 6202.13 | ex 6202 1310 | |
| | | ex 6202 1320 | |
| | | 6202 1330 | |
| | | 6202 1340 | |
| 5 | ex 6209.20 ex 6209.30 ex 6209.90 | ex 6209 2010 | |
| | | ex 6209 3010 | |
| | | ex 6209 9001 | |
| | 6204.12 6204.13 ex 6204.19 6204.22 6204.23 ex 6204.29 | 6204 1210 | Costumes and trouser suits, including two or three-piece suits, not knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly of cotton or of man-made fibres, women's, girls' and babies' wear |
| | | 6204 1220 | |
| | | 6204 1310 | |
| | | 6204 1320 | |
| | | 6204 1910 | |
| | | 6204 1920 | |
| | | 6204 2200 | |
| | | 6204 2300 | |
| | | 6204 2910 | |
| | ex 6209.20 ex 6209.30 ex 6209.90 | ex 6209 2020 ex 6209 3020 ex 6209 9002 | |
| 6 | 6204.31 6204.32 6204.33 6204.39 | 6204 3110 | Jackets, not knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly of cotton, of wool or of man-made fibres, women's, girls' and babies' wear |
| | | 6204 3120 | |
| | | 6204 3210 | |
| | | 6204 3220 | |
| | ex 6202.91 ex 6202.92 ex 6202.93 ex 6209.10 ex 6209.20 ex 6209.30 ex 6209.90 | 6204 3310 | |
| | | 6204 3320 | |
| | | 6204 3910 | |
| | | 6204 3920 | |
| | | ex 6202 9110 | |
| | | ex 6202 9120 | |
| | | ex 6202 9210 | |
| | | ex 6202 9220 | |
| | | ex 6202 9310 | |
| | | ex 6202 9320 | |
| | | ex 6209 1020 | |
| | | ex 6209 2020 | |
| | | ex 6209 3020 | |
| | | ex 6209 9002 | |

| Item No. | Austrian Statistical Classification No. | Hong Kong Statistical Classification No. | Description | |
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| 7 | 6107.11 | 6107 1110 6107 1120 | Briefs, drawers, panties, undershorts, and the like, knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly of cotton | |
| | 6108.21 | 6108 2110 6108 2120 | | |
| | ex 6111.20 | ex 6111 2050 | | |
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| 8 | 6105.10 | 6105 1010 6105 1020 | Shirts, knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly of cotton, or of man-made fibres, men's and boys' wear | |
| | 6105.20 | 6105 2010 6105 2020 6105 2030 6105 2040 | | |
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| | 6106.10 6106.20 | 6106 1000 6106 2010 6106 2020 | | Blouses, knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly of cotton or of man-made fibres, women's, girls' and babies' wear |
| | ex 6111.20 | ex 6111 2040 | | |
| | ex 6111.30 | ex 6111 3040 | | |
| | ex 6111.90 | ex 6111 9004 | | |
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| | 9 | 6109.10 | 6109 1010 ex 6109 1020 ex 6109 1030 ex 6109 1040 ex 6109 1050 | Singlets and under- shirts, including underwear T-shirts, knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly of cotton, men's, boys', women's, girls' and babies' wear |
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| ex 6111.20 | | ex 6111 2050 | | |
| 10 | 6107.21 | 6107 2110 6107 2120 | Pyjamas and other nightgarments, knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly of cotton or of man-made fibres, men's, boys', women's and girls' wear | |
| | 6107.22 | 6107 2210 6107 2220 6107 2230 6107 2240 | | |
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| | 6108.31 | 6108 3110 6108 3120 | | |
| | 6108.32 | 6108 3210 6108 3220 6108 3230 6108 3240 | | |
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| Item No. | Austrian Statistical Classification No. | Hong Kong Statistical Classification No. | Description |
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| 11 | ex 6101.10 | ex 6101 1030 | Jackets, sweaters, cardigans, pullovers and jumpers, knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly of cotton, of wool or of man-made fibres - |
| | | ex 6101 1040 | |
| | ex 6101.20 | ex 6101 2030 | |
| | | ex 6101 2040 | |
| | ex 6101.30 | ex 6101 3030 | |
| | | ex 6101 3040 | |
| | | ex 6101 3070 | |
| | | ex 6101 3080 | |
| | ex 6102.10 | ex 6102 1030 | |
| | | ex 6102 1040 | |
| | ex 6102.20 | ex 6102 2030 | |
| | | ex 6102 2040 | |
| | ex 6102.30 | ex 6102 3030 | |
| | | ex 6102 3040 | |
| | | ex 6102 3070 | |
| | | ex 6102 3080 | |
| | 6103.31 | 6103 3110 | |
| | | 6103 3120 | |
| | 6103.32 | 6103 3210 | |
| | | 6103 3220 | |
| | 6103.33 | 6103 3310 | |
| | | 6103 3320 | |
| | ex 6103.39 | 6103 3910 | |
| | | 6103 3920 | |
| | 6104.31 | 6104 3110 | |
| | | 6104 3120 | |
| | 6104.32 | 6104 3210 | |
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| | 6104.33 | 6104 3310 | |
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| | ex 6104.39 | 6104 3910 | |
| | | 6104 3920 | |

| Item No. | Austrian Statistical Classification No. | Hong Kong Statistical Classification No. | Description |
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| 11 (Cont'd) | 6110.10 | ex 6110 1010 | |
| | | ex 6110 1020 | |
| | | ex 6110 1030 | |
| | | ex 6110 1040 | |
| | 6110.20 | ex 6110 2010 | |
| | | ex 6110 2020 | |
| | | ex 6110 2030 | |
| | | ex 6110 2040 | |
| | 6110.30 | ex 6110 3010 | |
| | | ex 6110 3020 | |
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| | | ex 6110 3040 | |
| | | ex 6110 3050 | |
| | | ex 6110 3060 | |
| | | ex 6110 3070 | |
| | | ex 6110 3080 | |
| | ex 6111.10 | ex 6111 1010 | |
| | ex 6111.20 | ex 6111 2010 | |
| | ex 6111.30 | ex 6111 3010 | |
| | ex 6111.90 | ex 6111 9001 | |
| 12 | 6103.41 | 6103 4110 | Trousers, bib and brace overalls, breeches and shorts, knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly of cotton, of wool, or of man-made fibres |
| | | 6103 4120 | |
| | | 6103 4130 | |
| | | 6103 4140 | |
| | 6103.42 | 6103 4210 | |
| | | 6103 4220 | |
| | | 6103 4230 | |
| | | 6103 4240 | |
| | 6103.43 | 6103 4310 | |
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| | ex 6103.49 | 6103 4910 | |
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| | 6104.61 | 6104 6110 | |
| | | 6104 6120 | |
| | | 6104 6130 | |
| | | 6104 6140 | |
| | 6104.62 | 6104 6210 | |
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| | 6104.69 | 6104 6910 | |
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| | | 6104 6940 | |

| Item No. | Austrian Statistical Classification No. | Hong Kong Statistical Classification No. | Description |
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| 12 (Cont'd) | ex 6111.10 ex 6111.20 ex 6111.30 ex 6111.90 | ex 6111 1040 ex 6111 2040 ex 6111 3040 ex 6111 9004 | |
| 13 | 6112.11 6112.12 ex 6112.19 | ex 6112 0001 ex 6112 0002 ex 6112 0003 ex 6112 0004 ex 6112 0005 ex 6112 0006 ex 6112 0007 ex 6112 0008 ex 6112 0009 ex 6112 0010 ex 6112 0011 ex 6112 0012 | Track suits, knitted wholly or mainly of cotton or of man-made fibres |
| | ex 6111.20 ex 6111.30 ex 6111.90 | ex 6111 2020 ex 6111 3020 ex 6111 9002 | |
| 14 | 6104.43 ex 6111.30 | 6104 4310 6104 4320 ex 6111 3030 | Dresses, knitted or crocheted, of synthetic fibres, women's, girls' and babies' wear |

Underwear T-shirts are single-coloured, not patterned nor printed T-shirts. Multi-coloured, patterned or printed T-shirts which are packed and shipped together with matching briefs as sets of underwear are considered as underwear T-shirts.