

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

CONFIDENTIAL

TEX.SB/1641*

5 April 1990

TARIFFS AND TRADE

Textiles Surveillance Body

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 3

Agreement between the United States and Thailand

Note by the Chairman

Attached is a notification received from the United States of a letter addressed by the United States to Thailand formalizing restraints agreed under Article 3 on Categories 638/639 and 647/648.

The United States and Thailand had communicated this agreement in their reports on consultations they had held in accordance with the TSB's recommendation.¹

¹ See the TSB report contained in COM.TEX/SB/1530.

* English only/Anglais seulement/Inglés solamente



UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

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March 29, 1990

The Honorable
Ambassador Marcelo Raffaelli
Chairman, Textiles Surveillance Body
General Agreement on Tariffs & Trade
Rue de Lausanne 154
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Dear Ambassador Raffaelli:

As stated in the Thai and U.S. reports to the TSB on consultations held in January of this year (Tex.SB/1630 and Tex.SB/1631), the Government of Thailand accepted the Article 3 restraint levels set forth by the United States with respect to two products: mmf knit shirts and blouses (category 638/639) and mmf trousers, slacks and shorts (category 647/648). Attached hereto is a copy of the U.S. letter to the Government of Thailand formally acknowledging this acceptance and informing Thailand that the U.S. would, therefore, maintain the agreed restraint for category 638/639 and establish the agreed restraint for category 647/648.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Robert E. Shepherd".

Robert E. Shepherd
Minister Counsellor

Attachment

FEBRUARY 7, 1990

TEXT OF USG LETTER:

I HAVE THE HONOR TO REFER TO THE TEXTILE CONSULTATIONS HELD IN WASHINGTON JANUARY 16-18 FOR DISCUSSION OF BILATERAL TEXTILE TRADE ISSUES. ALONG WITH OTHER ITEMS, THERE WAS A FULL DISCUSSION OF OUTSTANDING REQUESTS BY MY GOVERNMENT FOR ARTICLE 3 CONSULTATIONS ON VARIOUS TEXTILE CATEGORIES.

IN VIEW OF YOUR ACCEPTANCE, DURING THE CONSULTATIONS, OF THE MINIMUM RESTRAINT LEVELS FOR CATEGORIES 638/639 AND 647/648, THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT WILL:

- 1) MAINTAIN THE RESTRAINT AT A LEVEL OF 1,722,290 DOZENS FOR CATEGORY 638/639 FOR THE PERIOD MARCH 31, 1989 THROUGH MARCH 30, 1990; AND
- 2) ESTABLISH A RESTRAINT AT A LEVEL OF 542,063 DOZENS FOR CATEGORY 647/648 FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 31, 1989 THROUGH OCTOBER 30, 1990.

(CLOSE)

(END TEXT OF USG LETTER)