

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

TARIFFS AND TRADE

CONFIDENTIAL

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1 July 1992

Textiles Surveillance Body

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4:4

Extension and amendment of the agreement between Norway and the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic

Note by the Chairman

Attached is a notification received from Norway of an extension with amendments of its agreement with the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic. The agreement was extended for the period 1 July 1992 to 31 December 1993.¹

¹The bilateral agreement and amendments are contained in COM.TEX/SB/1399, 1463 and 1585.

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Dear Mr. Ambassador,

Pursuant to Article 4:4 of the Arrangement regarding International Trade in Textiles as extended by the 1986 and 1991 Protocols, I am pleased to notify the Textiles Surveillance Body of certain amendments of the current bilateral textile Agreement between the Government of the Kingdom of Norway and the Government of the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic.


The agreement has been extended by 18 months to 31 December 1993.

The restraint for one category, category 5, has been abolished.

Certain uplifts have been agreed for the remaining categories. Annual growth rates have been increased from 1% to 3%. Swing has been increased from 2,5% to 3%. Carryover and carryforward, previously set at 8% and 5%, are now 10% and 5%. The limit on total flexibility has been abolished.

Please find enclosed a copy of the Agreed Minutes from the consultations between the two parties.

Yours sincerely,


Otto Wentzel
Head of Division

Copy: Permanent Delegation of Norway
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AGREED MINUTES

1. Delegations from Kingdom of Norway and the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic met in Prague on 16 - 18 June 1992 for consultations in accordance with Articles 19 and 15 of the Agreement relating to the exports from the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic of certain textile products for imports into Norway, signed at Oslo on 9 March 1987.

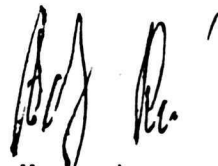
2. As a result of these consultations it was agreed to initial the enclosed amendments to the Textile Agreement as previously amended.

Prague, 18 June 1992



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A M E N D M E N T S

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE KINGDOM OF NORWAY AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE CZECH AND SLOVAK FEDERAL REPUBLIC RELATING TO THE EXPORTS FROM THE CZECH AND SLOVAK FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF CERTAIN TEXTILE PRODUCTS FOR IMPORTS INTO NORWAY, SIGNED AT OSLO ON 9 MARCH 1987.

I. The Government of the Kingdom of Norway and the Government of the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic have agreed to the following amendments to the Textile Agreement:

- (i) Throughout the Agreement the term "Czechoslovak Socialist Republic" is replaced by the term "Czech and Slovak Federal Republic".
- (ii) In Article 2, after "as extended by the Protocol of 31.7.1986" add "and as further extended by the Protocol of 31.7.1991".
- (iii) After Article 6, add the following text:

Designated consultation levels:

6 bis. (a) The categories listed in Annex B marked with + are subject to the designated consultation levels specified therein.

(b) If the Government of the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic wishes to export textile products to Norway in excess of the applicable designated consultation levels, the Government of the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic shall request the higher levels. The Government of Norway shall respond promptly and make every effort to resolve the issues within

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14 working days of the receipt of the initial request. If the Government of Norway is unable to comply fully with the request due to problems of market disruption or real risk thereof, as described in Annex A of the Arrangement, in a category subject to such request the Government of Norway will so inform the Government of Czech and Slovak Federal Republic.

(c) The Government of Norway will supply data in accordance with paragraphs I and II of Annex A of the Arrangement to substantiate the position it has taken. The two Governments unless agreed otherwise, shall consult as soon as possible within 30 days of the Norwegian denial of the request and shall make every effort to conclude such consultations within 30 days of its commencement. Until a mutually satisfactory change in the consultation level in question is established, shipments shall not exceed the existing consultation level.

(iv) delete Article 7, paragraph (d) on total flexibility.



(v) in Article 14, page 9, ninth line from the top, delete "total imports and".

(vi) in Article 18, second line, delete "30 June 1992" and replace it with "31 December 1993".

(vii) replace the existing Annex A on product coverage, with the attached Annex A.

(viii) replace the existing Annex B on restraints, with the attached Annex B.

II. These amendments will take effect on 1 July 1992.



ANNEX A

PRODUCT CATEGORIES COVERED BY THE AGREEMENT

Category Number	Unit	Description
1.	Pieces	Outer garments of woven material, men's, boys', women's, girls': - Jackets, tailored jackets, blazers, waistcoats, sports jackets (including parts of ski suits), anoraks and similar garments, parkas, one-piece suits and the like, also as parts of suits, sets and costumes (boys and girls with height above 152 cm)..
2.	Pieces	Outer garments of woven material, men's, boys', women's, girls': - Trousers, slacks, jeans, breeches and the like (including bib and brace overalls), other than swimwear and shorts, also as parts of suits and sets (boys and girls with height above 152 cm).
3.	Kgs	Bed linen.
70.	Kgs	Knotted netting, made up fishing nets, other made up nets, and the like.

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ANNEX B

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(h)
	Restraint level	Annual Growth Rate	Carry- over	Carry- forward	Swing	Conversion factor
Cat. No.	1 July 1992- 31 Dec. 1992	Percen- tages	Percen- tages	Percen- tages	Percen- tages	Unit pr. kg
1	30.000 pcs 1)	3	10	5	3	1
2	85.000 pcs 1)	3	10	5	3	1,5
7	25.000 kgs 1)	3	10	5	3	1
70 +	6.000 kgs 1)	3	10	5	3	1

- 1) For 1993 quotas shall be adjusted to corresponding 12 months levels and increased by the specified growth rates.

APP. 7.

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