

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

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TEX.SB/1937^{*}

19 August 1992

TARIFFS AND TRADE

Textiles Surveillance Body

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4

Amendment of the bilateral agreement between the United States and Thailand

Note by the Chairman

Attached is a notification received from the United States of amendments of its agreement with Thailand.¹

¹ The bilateral agreement is contained in COM.TEX/SB/1649.

^{*} English only/Anglais seulement/Inglés solamente



UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

1-3 AVENUE DE LA PAIX
1202 GENEVA, SWITZERLAND

August 12, 1992

The Honorable
Ambassador Marcelo Raffaelli
Chairman, Textiles Surveillance Body
GATT
Rue de Lausanne 154
1211 Geneva

Dear Ambassador Raffaelli:

Enclosed herewith are copies of notes amending the U.S.-Thai bilateral agreement so as to establish a specific limit for category 669-P (woven mmf bags) and to adjust the existing limit for 359H/659H (cotton and mmf headwear). The United States had requested consultations with Thailand on category 669-P in March of this year. Thailand had requested an increase in category 359H/659H in September 1991.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Robert E. Shepherd", written over a circular stamp or seal.

Robert E. Shepherd

Enclosure

IMMEDIATE

No. 0502/3860 3



The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Thailand presents its compliments to the Embassy of the United States of America and has the honour to refer to the agreement relating to trade in cotton, wool, man-made fiber, non-cotton vegetable fiber and silk-blend textiles and textile products between the Government of the United States and the Royal Thai Government, effected by exchange of letters in Washington dated September 3, 1991 (hereinafter referred to as the Agreement) and the Embassy's Note No. 576 dated May 28, 1992 proposing the amendments to the said Agreement in accordance with the result of understandings reached between representatives of the two governments during the consultations in May 14-15, 1992.

The Ministry has the further honour to inform the Embassy that such proposal is acceptable to the Government of Thailand and to confirm that this Note and the Embassy's Note under reference shall constitute an amendment to the Agreement as proposed.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Embassy of the United States of America the assurances of its highest considerations.

Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
Saranrom Palace,

25 June B.E. 2535 (1992)

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The Embassy of the United States of America,

BANGKOK.

EMBASSY OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

No: 576

The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of Thailand and has the honor to refer to the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles done at Geneva on December 20, 1973, as extended. The Embassy also refers to the agreement relating to trade in cotton, wool, man-made fiber, non-cotton vegetable fiber and silk-blend textiles and textile products between the Royal Thai Government and the Government of the United States, effected by exchange of letters in Washington dated September 3, 1991 (hereinafter referred to as the Agreement).

The Embassy further refers to consultations between representatives of the Government of the United States of America and the Royal Thai Government in Washington, May 14-15, 1992, concerning the establishment of an appropriate level of restraint for exports of products from Thailand in Category 669-P (woven man-made fiber bags) to the United States, and regarding the Royal Thai Government's request for an adjustment in the 1991, 1992 and 1993 specific limits for Category 359-H/659-H (cotton and man-made fiber headwear).

As a result of understandings reached between representatives of our two governments during these consultations, the Embassy has the honor to propose the following amendments to the agreement:

(I) Group I in Annex B shall be amended to include the following specific limits for Category 669-P. The agreed upon specific limit for the 1992 agreement year of four million kilograms shall be prorated to cover the restraint period March 25, 1992 through December 31, 1992 only. Swing, carryover and carryforward for this category shall be as stated in the agreement.

Category	Unit	3/25/92- 12/31/92	1993
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669-P	kg	3,081,967	4,240,000

(II) The specific limits for Category 359-H/659-H within group II in Annex B shall be amended with the following base limits:

Category	Unit	1991	1992	1993
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359-H/659-H	kg	877,415	930,060	985,864

If the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the Royal Thai Government, this note and your Government's affirmative note in reply shall constitute an amendment to the Agreement which shall enter into force on the date of your reply.

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



Embassy of the United States of America,

May 28, 1992.