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Textiles Surveillance Body

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4

Extension and modification of the agreement between Canada and Romania

Note by the Chairman

Attached is a notification received from Canada of an extension and modification of its agreement with Romania for the period 1 January to 31 December 1993.¹

¹The bilateral agreement and a previous extension are contained in COM.TEX/SB/1526 and 1736.

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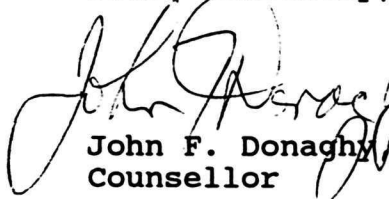
Ambassador Marcelo Raffaelli
Chairman
Textiles Surveillance Body
General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade
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SUISSE

Dear Ambassador Raffaelli:

Pursuant to Article 4 of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles (MFA), done at Geneva, December 20, 1973, and to its 1986, 1991 and 1992 Protocols of Extension and Maintenance in Force, I have the honour to provide documentation relative to the extension and modification of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Governments of Canada and Romania concerning the export of certain textile products from Romania to Canada. The relevant exchange of diplomatic notes is attached.

The term of validity of the MOU has, via this exchange, been extended through year-end 1993 and the restraint categories for the MOU have been modified to the new HS based categorization system which is now characteristic of all of Canada's bilateral textiles and clothing restraint agreements and about which the TSB had a discussion at a recent meeting.

Yours sincerely,


John F. Donaghy
Counsellor

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Director-General:

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The Romanian ministry of Commerce, Department of Foreign Trade, presents its compliments to the Department of External Affairs and International Trade - Canada, and has the honour to confirm the receipt of the Note No KPT 1546/o5.10.1992 with the following content:

"No.KPT1546

The Department of External Affaires and International Trade presents its compliments to the Embassy of Romania, and has the honour to refer to the Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of Canada and the Government of Romania and relating to the export from Romania of Certain Textiles and Textile Products for Import into Canada (MOU).

In light of the continued delay in the completion of the Uruguay Round of Multilateral Trade Negotiations, it is clear that the MTN results on textiles and clothing will not be implemented on January 1, 1993, nor has the Textiles Committee of the GATT taken a decision on the extension of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles (MFA) beyond its expiry date of 31 December, 1992. Under the circumstances, there is already considerable uncertainty among producers, exporters and

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In order to alleviate this uncertainty and to provide the trade with a predictable environment in which to plan its activities, the Canadian authorities propose that the MOU be extended until 31 December, 1993, or if Romanian authorities are agreeable, to 31 December, 1994. This extension would apply to all terms and conditions of the MOU, with the exception that Annexes I and II attached would replace Annexes I and II of the MOU. This extension would be without prejudice to any changes that may be required to be implemented as a result of a successful conclusion of the Uruguay Round.

In the event that the Romanian authorities are in agreement with this proposal, the Canadian authorities would propose that this Note along with the reply from the Romanian authorities constitute an agreement extending the MOU until 31 December, 1993.

The Department of External Affairs and International Trade avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Embassy of Romania the assurances of its highest consideration

OTTAWA, October 5, 1992 ".

The proposal forwarded to the Romanian authorities being accepted, the exchange of these documents constitute

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now an agreement for the extension of the MOU until December 31, 1993.

The Romanian Ministry of Commerce, Department of Foreign Trade avails itself of this opportunity to renew the Department of External Affairs and International Trade - Canada the assurances of its highest consideration.

Bucharest, November 16, 1992.

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ANNEX I - RESTRAINT LEVELS

ROMANIA

GROUP I

| (A) Agreement Item No. | (B) Product Coverage | | (C) 1993 Restraint Level(unit) | (D) Growth | (E) Swing | (F) Carry-over/ Carry- Forward | (G) Combined Flexibility E) & (F) | (H) Conversion Factor m ² /unit |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------|--|---|---------------|--------------|---|--|---|
| | Category | Short Description | | | | | | |
| 1a | 1.2 | Jackets, of wool | 336,217 | 5% | 5% | 10%(5%) | 12% | 2.6 |
| 1b | 1.2 | Jackets, other than wool | 504,327 | 5% | 5% | 10%(5%) | 12% | 2.6 |
| 1c | 1.1 | Coats; | 514,412 | 6% | 5% | 10%(5%) | 12% | 4.0 |
| | 1.3 | Rainwear | | | | | | |
| 1d | 1.1 | - of which, Coats | 336,217 | 6% | 5% | 10%(5%) | 12% | 4.0 |
| 2/3a (Note 1) (Note 1) | 2.0 | Winter Outerwear; | 147,410 | 4% | 6% | 10%(5%) | 12% | 3.2 |
| | 3.1 | Suits, MB; | | | | | | |
| | 3.3 | Jackets and blazers, MB | | | | | | |
| 2/3b (Note 1) (Note 1) | 3.1 | - of which: Suits, MB; | 103,123 | 4% | 6% | 10%(5%) | 12% | 3.2 |
| | 3.3 | Jackets and blazers, MB | | | | | | |
| 3/4a | 3.2 | Ensembles, MBC; | 1,106,536 | 5% | 6% | 10%(5%) | 12% | 3.5 |
| | 4.0 | Female casual & fine wear | | | | | | |
| 5a | 5.1 | Trousers, MB; | 689,401 | 6% | 6% | 10%(5%) | 12% | 1.6 |
| | 5.2 | Trousers, WG; | | | | | | |
| | 5.3 | Trousers, C | | | | | | |
| 5b | 5.1 | - of which, - Trousers, MB, wool | 150,364 | 6% | 6% | 10%(5%) | 12% | 1.6 |
| 5c | 5.4 | Overalls & coveralls; | 178,195 | 6% | 5% | 10%(5%) | 12% | 1.8 |
| | 5.5 | Shorts | | | | | | |
| 6 | 6.0 | Tailored collar shirts, MBC | 622,926 | 4% | 6% | 10%(5%) | 12% | 1.7 |
| 7/8a | 7.0 | Woven shirts, blouses & similar articles; | 915,177 | 6% | 5% | 10%(5%) | 12% | 1.6 |
| | 8.1 | k/c Shirts, blouses & similar articles | | | | | | |
| 8b | 8.2 | T-shirts; | 689,245 | 6% | 5% | 10%(5%) | 12% | 1.6 |
| | 8.3 | Sweatshirts | | | | | | |
| 11 | 11.0 | Sweaters | 1,701,849 | 3% | 6% | 10%(5%) | 12% | 1.1 |
| 14a | 14.6 | Babies' garments, sleepwear | 150,551 | 6% | 6% | 10%(5%) | 12% | 0.7 |

Note 1 HS codes for C are excluded for categories 3.1 & 3.3.

ANNEX I - RESTRAINT LEVELSROMANIAGROUP II

| (A) Agreement Item No. | (B) <u>Product Coverage</u> | | (C) 1993 Restraint Level(unit) | (D) Growth | (E) Swing | (F) Carry-over/ Carry- Forward | (G) Combined Flexibility (E) & (F) | (H) Conversion Factor (m ² /unit) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|---|---------------|--------------|---|---|---|
| | Category | Short Description | | | | | | |
| 31a | 31.1 | Combed wool fabric (MTK) | 167.167 | 3% | - | 10%(5%) | | |
| 41a | 41.1 | Bed sheets | 893.398 | 5% | 6% | 10%(5%) | 12% | 5.2 |
| 41b | 41.2 | Pillow cases | 606.234 | 5% | 6% | 10%(5%) | 12% | 1.2 |

Note: No swing between products in Group I and products in Group II.

ANNEX II- PREAMBLE

ROMANIA

1. Unless otherwise indicated, gender means garments for men (M), boys (B) (sizes 8 to 18), women (W), girls (G) (sizes 7 to 16), children (C) (sizes 2 to 6X) and babies, of a body height not exceeding 86 cm (sizes 0 to 24 months).
2. Unless otherwise indicated, swing is permitted from adult garments to children's and babies' garments at a 3 to 5 ratio.
3. A partially manufactured textile article shall be taken to include an article unfinished or incomplete (including cut or shaped fabric for making such articles), provided that, as presented, the incomplete or unfinished article has the essential character of the complete or finished article. It shall also be taken to include the article presented unassembled or disassembled.
4. Garments of indeterminate gender, including unisex garments, are to be counted as of female gender.
5. Unless otherwise indicated, products covered by restraints under this arrangement in Group I and in Group II are those which predominate by weight of wool, cotton, or man-made fibres.

ANNEX II- CLOTHING CATEGORIES

ROMANIA

GROUP I

| Short Description | Sub Category Category | Long Description | Units |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|---|-------|
| Coats, jackets & rainwear | 1 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Overcoats, raincoats, car-coats, capes, cloaks and similar articles- <u>MBWGC, k/c & woven</u>; anoraks (including ski-jackets), wind-cheaters, wind-jackets and similar articles- <u>MBWGC, k/c</u>; anoraks (including ski-jackets), wind-cheaters, wind-jackets and similar articles, other than those lined and designed to protect the wearer against the cold- <u>MBWGC, woven</u>; garments made up of fabrics of headings 59.03 (plastic), 59.06 (rubber) or 59.07 (other), containing 50% or more by weight of textile material- <u>MBWGC, k/c & woven</u>; lining of thermal characteristics suited for garments of subcategory 1.3- <u>MBWGC, k/c & woven</u>; | NMB |
| - Coats | 1.1 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Overcoats, car-coats, capes & cloaks, other than rainwear- <u>MBWGC, k/c & woven</u>; lining of thermal characteristics suited for garments of subcategory 1.3- <u>MBWGC, k/c & woven</u>. | |
| - Jackets | 1.2 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anoraks (including ski-jackets), wind-cheaters and wind-jackets- <u>MBWGC, k/c</u>; anoraks (including ski-jackets), wind-cheaters and wind-jackets, other than those lined and designed to protect the wearer against the cold- <u>MBWGC, woven</u>. | |
| - Rainwear | 1.3 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Raincoats and rainwear- <u>MBWGC, k/c & woven</u>; garments made up of fabrics of headings 59.03 (plastic), 59.06 (rubber) or 59.07 (other), containing 50% or more by weight of textile material- <u>MBWGC, k/c & woven</u>. | |
| Winter outerwear | 2 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anoraks (including ski-jackets), wind-cheaters, wind-jackets and similar articles, lined and designed to protect the wearer against the cold- <u>MBWGC, woven</u>; bib and brace overalls (e.g. ski overalls), lined and designed to protect the wearer against the cold - <u>MBWGC, woven</u>; trousers and breeches (e.g., ski pants), lined and designed to protect the wearer against the cold - <u>MBWGC, woven</u>; ski suits- <u>MBWGC, woven</u>; snowsuits, snowmobile suits and similar articles- <u>MBWGC, woven</u>; lining of thermal characteristics suited for garments of subcategory 1.2- <u>MBWGC, k/c & woven</u>; | NMB |
| - Winter outerwear, MBWG | 2.1 | Men's, boys', women's and girls'. | |
| - Winter outerwear, C | 2.2 | Children's. | |
| Male casual & fine wear | 3 | Suits, ensembles, jackets, blazers- <u>MBC, k/c & woven</u> ; | NMB |
| - Fine suits, MBC | 3.1 | Suits- <u>MBC, k/c & woven</u> . | |
| - Ensembles, MBC | 3.2 | Ensembles- <u>MBC, k/c & woven</u> . | |
| - Jackets & blazers, MBC | 3.3 | Jackets and blazers- <u>MBC, k/c & woven</u> . | |
| Female casual & fine wear | 4 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Suits, ensembles, jackets, blazers, dresses, skirts, divided-skirts- <u>WGC, k/c & woven</u>; | NMB |
| - Suits & ensembles, WGC | 4.1 | Suits and ensembles- <u>WGC, k/c & woven</u> . | |
| - Jackets & blazers, WGC | 4.2 | Jackets and blazers- <u>WGC, k/c & woven</u> . | |
| - Dresses | 4.3 | Dresses- <u>WGC, k/c & woven</u> . | |
| - Skirts | 4.4 | Skirts and divided skirts- <u>WGC, k/c & woven</u> . | |

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GROUP I

| Short Description | Category | Sub Category | Long Description | Units |
|---|----------|--------------|--|-------|
| Trousers, overalls & shorts | 5 | | . Trousers, bib and brace overalls, breeches, shorts- <u>MBWGC, k/c & woven</u> ; . coveralls- <u>MBWGC, k/c & woven</u> ; | NMB |
| - Trousers, MB | | 5.1 | - Trousers and breeches- <u>MB, k/c & woven</u> . | |
| - Trousers, WG | | 5.2 | - Trousers and breeches- <u>WG, k/c & woven</u> . | |
| - Trousers, C | | 5.3 | - Trousers and breeches- <u>C, k/c & woven</u> . | |
| - Overalls & coveralls | | 5.4 | - . Bib and brace overalls- <u>MBWGC, k/c & woven</u> ; . coveralls- <u>MBWGC, k/c & woven</u> . | |
| - Shorts | | 5.5 | - Shorts- <u>MBWGC, k/c & woven</u> . | |
| Tailored collar shirts, MBC | 6 | | Shirts (with tailored collar)- <u>MBC, k/c & woven</u> . | NMB |
| Woven shirts, blouses & similar articles | 7 | | . Shirts, blouses, shirt-blouses- <u>MBWGC, woven</u> ; . other singlets and vests (other than of the underwear type)- <u>MBWGC, woven</u> ; . and other similar articles- <u>MBWGC, woven</u> ; | NMB |
| - Woven shirts & similar articles, MB | | 7.1 | - Men's & boys': . shirts- <u>woven</u> ; . other singlets and vests (other than of the underwear type)- <u>woven</u> ; . and other similar articles- <u>woven</u> . | |
| - Woven blouses & similar articles, WG | | 7.2 | - Women's & girls': . shirts, blouses, shirt-blouses- <u>woven</u> ; . other singlets and vests (other than of the underwear type)- <u>woven</u> ; . and other similar articles- <u>woven</u> . | |
| - Woven shirts, blouses & similar articles, C | | 7.3 | - Children's: . shirts, blouses, shirt-blouses- <u>woven</u> ; . other singlets and vests (other than of the underwear type)- <u>woven</u> ; . and other similar articles- <u>woven</u> . | |
| - k/c shirts, blouses & similar articles | | 8.1 | - . Shirts, blouses, shirt-blouses- <u>MBWGC, k/c</u> ; . other singlets and vests (other than of the underwear type)- <u>MBWGC, k/c</u> ; . and other similar articles- <u>MBWGC, k/c</u> . | NMB |
| - T-shirts | | 8.2 | - T-shirts (other than of the underwear type)- <u>MBWGC, k/c</u> . | |
| - Sweatshirts | | 8.3 | - Brushed or fleeced pullovers (sweatshirts)- <u>MBWGC, k/c</u> . | |
| Sleepwear & bathrobes | 10 | | Nightshirts, pyjamas, nightdresses, negliges, bathrobes, dressing gowns and similar articles- <u>MBWGC, k/c & woven</u> ; | NMB |
| - Sleepwear, MBWG | | 10.1 | - Nightshirts, pyjamas and nightdresses- <u>MBWG, k/c & woven</u> . | |
| - Bathrobes, MBWG | | 10.2 | - Bathrobes, dressing gowns & negliges- <u>MBWG, k/c & woven</u> . | |
| - Sleepwear & bathrobes, C | | 10.3 | - Children's. | |
| Sweaters | 11 | | Jerseys, pullovers, cardigans, waist-coats and similar articles- <u>MBWGC, k/c</u> ; | NMB |
| - Sweaters, MB | | 11.1 | - Men's & boys'. | |
| - Sweaters, WG | | 11.2 | - Women's & girls'. | |
| - Sweaters, C | | 11.3 | - Children's. | |
| Babies' garments | 14 | | Babies' garments: | NMB |
| - Coats, jackets & rainwear | | 14.1 | - Coats, snowsuits, jackets and similar articles. | |
| - Trousers, overalls & shorts | | 14.2 | - Trousers, breeches, bib and brace overalls, coveralls and shorts. | |
| - Shirts, blouses & similar articles | | 14.3 | - Shirts, blouses and similar articles. | |
| - T-shirts & sweatshirts | | 14.4 | - T-shirts and sweatshirts. | |
| - Dresses & skirts | | 14.5 | - Dresses and skirts. | |
| - Sleepwear | | 14.6 | - Sleepwear. | |
| - Underclothing | | 14.7 | - Underclothing. | |
| - Sweaters | | 14.8 | - Jerseys, pullovers, cardigans and sweaters. | |
| - Other garments | | 14.9 | - Other garments not elsewhere specified. | |

ANNEX II- TEXTILE CATEGORIES

ROMANIA

GROUP II

| Short Description | Category | Sub Category | Long Description | Units |
|---------------------------|----------|-----------------|--|-------|
| Wool & wool blend fabric | 31 | | Woven fabrics of wool or fine animal hair; other woven fabrics, mixed mainly or solely with wool or fine animal hair; woven pile and chenille fabrics of wool or fine animal hair and gauze of wool; and similar fabrics, impregnated, coated, covered or laminated: | KGM |
| Bed sheets & pillow cases | 41 | | Bed sheets and pillow cases, of cotton or man-made fibres: | NMB |
| - Bed sheets | | 41.1 | - Bed sheets. | |
| - Pillow cases | | 41.2 | - Pillow cases. | |