GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

ACCORD GENERAL SUR LES TARIFS DOUANIERS ET LE COMMERCE

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Textiles Surveillance Body

Organe de surveillance des textiles

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4:4

Amendment to the bilateral agreement between the

United States and the Philippines

Note by the Chairman

Attached hereto is a copy of a communication received from the United States mission regarding a further amendment to the existing multifibre agreement concluded under Article 4 between the United States and the Philippines.

¹For original agreement and subsequent amendments see COM.TEX/SB/154 and 266, 305 and 325.

ARRANGEMENT CONCERNANT LE COMMERCE INTERNATIONAL DES TEXTILES

Notification conformément à l'article 4:4

Modification de l'accord bilatéral entre les Etats-Unis et les Philippines

Note du Président

La mission des Etats-Unis a fait parvenir au secrétariat la communication, reproduite ci-après, relative à une nouvelle modification de l'accord multifibres conclu conformément à l'article 4 entre les Etats-Unis et les Philippines.

Pour l'accord original et ses modifications ultérieures, voir les documents COM.TEX/SB/154, 266, 305 et 325.

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The Honorable
Ambassador Paul Wurth
Chairman, Textiles Surveillance Body
Centre William Rappard
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Dear Mr. Chairman:

Pursuant to the provisions of paragraph 4 of Article 4 of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles, I am instructed by my government to inform the Textiles Surveillance Body of the further amendment of the cotton, wool and man-made fiber textile agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of the Philippines. The original agreement was circulated as COM.TEX/SB/154. Previous amendments were circulated as COM.TEX/SB/266, 290, 308 and 325.

The present amendment was the result of requests by the Government of the Republic of the Philippines to effect certain changes in designated consultation levels established in a recent previous amendment (notified and circulated as COM.TEX/SB/325).

This amendment establishes new "traditional category designated consultation levels" for Categories 335 and 635, both of which previously had been subject to the general consultation level provisions; i.e., 700,000 syds. equiv. (16,950 doz.). Consultation levels for both categories have been increased to 24,213 doz. each. The designated consultation level for traditional Category 337 has been increased from 126,610 doz. to 226,610 doz. Conversely, the designated consultation level for traditional Category 641 has been decreased from a level of 124,000 doz. to 48,276 doz. These changes have been effected in response to variations in the pattern of trade in the traditional categories concerned.

New designated consultation levels have been established for non-traditional Categories 445/446, 459 and 641. All these categories were formerly subject to the general consultation level provisions of the agreement. The designated consultation level for combined non-traditional Categories 338/339 has been increased from 450,000 doz. to a new level of 510,000 doz.

Sincerely,

Harry M. Phelan, Jr. Minister Counselor

June 13, 1978

No. 248

UNITED STATES AND THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AMEND TEXTILE AGREEMENT

The United States and the Republic of the Philippines exchanged notes on March 27, 1978 and May 15, 1978 respectively, to amend the existing bilateral textile agreement on trade in cotton, wool, and man-made fiber textiles and textile products. The texts of the notes follow:

UNITED STATES NOTE

Manila, March 27, 1978

His Excellency Carlos P. Romulo Secretary of Foreign Affairs Department of Foreign Affairs Manila

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to the bilateral agreement of October 15, 1975, on trade in cotton, wool, and manmade fiber textiles and textile products, with annexes, between our two governments, as amended, (hereinafter referred to as the agreement) and to Note No. 78-464 of February 21, 1978 to the Embassy of the United States of America from the Government of the Republic of the Philippines Department of Foreign Affairs.

I have the honor to propose, on behalf of my government, the following new designated consultation levels for the current agreement year:

| Traditional Categories | Levels | |
|------------------------|---------|-------|
| 335 | 24,213 | dozen |
| 337 | 226,610 | |
| 641 | 48,276 | dozen |
| 635 | 24,213 | |

Non-traditional Categories

| 338/339 | 510,000 | dozen |
|--------------|---------|--------|
| of which 339 | 410,000 | dozen |
| 445/446 | 15,000 | dozen |
| 459 | 100,000 | pounds |
| 641 | 100,000 | dozen |

If this proposal is acceptable to the government of the Republic of the Philippines, this note and your Excellency's note in confirmation shall constitute an amendment of the agreement.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

/S/ David Newsom

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES NOTE

May 15, 1978

Mr. Lee T. Stull Charge d'Affaires a.i. Embassy of the United States of America Manila

Sir:

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your Note No. 166 dated 27 March 1978 which reads as follows:

See U.S. note

I have the honor to inform you on behalf of my Government, that the new consultation levels are acceptable to the Philippine Government and shall constitute an amendment of the Agreement.

Accept, Sir the assurances of my high consideration.

/S/ Carlos P. Romulo Secretary of Foreign Affairs