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3 June 1983

Textiles Surveillance Body

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4:4

Amendment to the Bilateral Agreement¹
between the United States and Romania

Note by the Chairman

Attached is a notification received from the United States concerning an amendment to the bilateral agreement concluded under Article 4 of the MFA with Romania, covering wool and man-made fibres.

¹ The original bilateral agreement and subsequent amendments are contained in COM.TEX/SB/671, 728 and 827.

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May 25, 1983

The Honorable
Ambassador Marcello Raffaelli
Chairman, Textiles Surveillance Body
GATT
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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 amendment of the wool and man-made fiber textile agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Soviet Republic of Romania.

This ammendment converts the agreement to a calendar year basis with no change in the provisions except for the necessary pro-rata adjustment of specific limits and consultation levels. This change was requested by the Romanians to facilitate their implementation of the agreement

Attached hereto are copies of the letters giving effect to this ammendment.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Shepherd
Minister Counselor

EMBASSY OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Bucharest

January 28, 1983

Mr. Alexandru Rosu
Minister State-Secretary
Ministry of Foreign Trade and
International Economic Cooperation
Bucharest

Dear Mr. Minister:

I refer to the Agreement between the United States of America and the Socialist Republic of Romania relating to Trade in Wool and Man-Made Fiber Textiles and Textile Products, with Annexes, effected by exchange of notes September 3 and November 3, 1980, ("The Wool and Man-Made Fiber Agreement"), and to discussions held in Bucharest October 13-15, 1982, between representatives of our two Governments concerning exports of textile products from Romania to the United States. On behalf of my Government I would like to propose the following revisions under Article 18 of the Agreement:

1. Paragraph 1 shall be amended to read:

"The term of the Agreement shall be from April 1, 1981 through December 31, 1984. The first agreement period shall be from April 1, 1981 through March 31, 1982, the second agreement period shall be from April 1, 1982 through December 31, 1982, the third agreement period shall be from January 1, 1983 through December 31, 1983, and the fourth agreement period shall be from January 1, 1984 through December 31, 1984."

2. Annex B shall be amended to read:

SPECIFIC LIMITS

AGREEMENT PERIOD

	1st	2nd
	Apr. 1, 1981- Mar. 31, 1982	Apr. 1, 1982 Dec. 31, 1982
Group III	28,000,000	22,470,000
Category 443 /1	408,100	309,136
Category 643/644 pt /1	1,325,000	1,063,313
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	3rd	4th
	Jan. 1, 1983- Dec. 31, 1983	Jan. 1, 1984- Dec. 31, 1984
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Category 645/646 /1	7,426,300	7,649,089

/1 includes annual growth and intercategory flexibility (swing)

/2 includes annual growth; does not include intercategory flexibility (swing)

3. Annex C shall be amended to read:

DESIGNATED CONSULTATION LEVELS
(Square Yards Equivalent)

Agreement Period	1st	3rd	4th	2nd
Group II	12,000,000			9,000,000

Categories:

410	200,000	150,000
465	155,000	116,250
610	2,000,000	1,500,000
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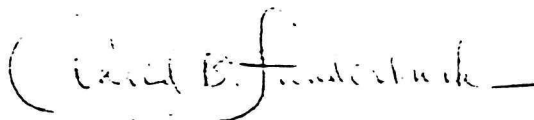
433/434	230,000	240,000
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634 pt (not knit)	700,000	525,000
634 pt (knit)	1,500,000	1,125,000

635	1,700,000	1,364,263
640	1,200,000	859,500
643/644 pt (knit)	112,500	84,375
647	1,400,000	1,050,000
648	1,065,000	798,750
659	1,750,000	1,312,500

4. Since the specific limits and designated consultation levels are 9/12's of the original 1982-1983 agreement year, all overshipments of these new 1982 levels will be charged to the 1983 agreement year in conformity with paragraph 10 of The Wool and Man-Made Fiber Agreement. The United States Government will use all available flexibility to the 1982 level in order to minimize the amount of overshipments.

If this proposal is acceptable to your government, this letter and your letter of confirmation on behalf of your government shall constitute an amendment to the Agreement.

Sincerely,



David B. Funderburk
Ambassador

București February 15 1983



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Mr. David B. Funderburk
Ambassador
Embassy of the
United States of America
Bucharest

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If this proposal is acceptable to your government, this letter and your letter of confirmation on behalf of your government shall constitute an amendment to the Agreement."

I confirm, by this letter, that the proposal contained in your above mentioned letter is acceptable to the Romanian government and that this letter together with this reply shall constitute an amendment to the Agreement between the Government of the Socialist Republic of Romania and the Government of the United States of America relating to Trade in Wool and Man-Made Fiber Textiles and Textile Products, with Annexes, effected by exchange of notes September 3 and November 3, 1980.

Please, accept, Mr. Ambassador, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

Alexandru Roşu
/ Minister Secretary of State
Ministry of Foreign Trade and
International Economic Cooperation

