

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON  
TARIFFS AND TRADE

CONFIDENTIAL

TEX. SB/976<sup>\*</sup>  
21 May 1984

---

Textiles Surveillance Body

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4:4

Modification of the Bilateral Agreement  
between the United States and Hong Kong

Note by the Chairman

Attached is a notification received from the United States, concerning a further modification of the bilateral agreement concluded under Article 4 between the United States and Hong Kong.

---

<sup>1</sup> The original bilateral agreement and previous modifications are contained in COM.TEX/SB/818, 888, 910, 945 and 946.

<sup>\*</sup> English only/Anglais seulement/Inglés solamente.

TS/140-4



616

## UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

1-3 AVENUE DE LA PAIX

1202 GENEVA, SWITZERLAND

Telephone: 32 09 70

April 30 1984

The Honorable  
 Ambassador Marcelo Raffaelli  
 Chairman, Textiles Surveillance Body  
 GATT  
 154 rue de Lausanne  
 CH-1211 Geneva 21

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 a modification of the cotton, wool and man-made fiber textile agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Hong Kong.

The United States on December 23, 1983 requested consultations with Hong Kong pursuant to paragraph 7(b) of the U.S. - Hong Kong bilateral agreement to seek a restraint on nine products (see attached list), from Hong Kong. Hong Kong, in accordance with paragraph 7(d), thereof, ceased the issuance of export authorizations through December 31, 1983. This action, in turn, modified the provisions of the bilateral agreement with respect to these nine categories for 1983.

The U.S. subsequently, as a result of further examination of market factors regarding categories 318 and 669, rescinded its request for consultations on these two categories. Consultations with respect to the establishment of restraint levels for the remaining categories were held in February but ended inconclusively.

ANSWERED	DEC. ISSUED	FOLIO
	TEX. SB/976	
REG	15 MAY 1984	
For	Action	Comment
Control of ES		
Info. Supp.		
OFFICE		
Sess. / Council Aff. Div.		
CHAIRMAN TSB		

Sincerely,

*Robert E. Shepherd*  
 Robert E. Shepherd  
 Minister-Counselor

For	Action	Comment
OPER. DEPT. A		X
Non-Tar. M. Div.		
Development Div.		
Tech. Coop. Div.		
Trade Pol. Div.		
Spec. Prod. Div.	X	
OPER. DEPT. B		X
Econ. R/Anal. Unit		
Agriculture Div.		
Tariff Div.		
Tech. Bar. T. Div.		
Ext. Rel. Div.		
DEPT. CONF. AFF/ADM		
Adm. / Fin. Div.		
Trans. / Doc. Div.		
Training Div.		
Personnel Off.		
Conference Off.		

ATTACHMENT

HONG KONG PRODUCTS

- 314 (cotton poplin & broadcloth)
- 318 (cotton yarn-dyed fabric)
- 337 (cotton playsuits)
- 359 (other cotton apparel)
- 361 (cotton sheets and pillowcases)
- 369 (other cotton textiles)
- 459 (other wool apparel)
- 649 (mmf brassieres)
- 669 (other mmf textiles)