

GENERAL AGREEMENT
ON TARIFFS AND
TRADE

ACCORD GENERAL SUR
LES TARIFS DOUANIERS
ET LE COMMERCE

CONFIDENTIAL

TEX.SB/214
21 April 1977

Textiles Surveillance Body

Organe de surveillance des textiles

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4

Note by the Chairman

The attached notification received from the United States Mission concerns certain amendments to a bilateral agreement (see COM.TEX/SB/128) between the United States and Malaysia.

ARRANGEMENT CONCERNANT LE COMMERCE INTERNATIONAL
DES TEXTILES

Notification conformément à l'article 4

Note du Président

La Mission des Etats-Unis a fait parvenir au secrétariat la notification ci-jointe concernant certaines modifications apportées à un accord bilatéral (voir COM.TEX/SB/128) conclu entre les Etats-Unis et la Malaisie.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

March 18, 1977

No. 115



THE UNITED STATES AND MALAYSIA AMEND BILATERAL TEXTILE AGREEMENT

The United States and Malaysia exchanged notes on February 9 and 25, to amend the existing bilateral textile agreement on trade in cotton, wool and man-made fiber textiles between the two countries. The texts of the notes follow:

UNITED STATES NOTE

February 9, 1977

Y.B. Datuk Haji Hamzah bin Haji
Abu Samah, SMK, SIMP, SPDK
Minister of Trade and Industry
Ministry of Trade and Industry
Wisma Damansara
Jalan Semantan, Damansara Heights
Kuala Lumpur, 23-03

Dear Mr. Minister:

I have the honor to refer to the Bilateral Agreement of May 16, 1975, between our two governments (hereinafter referred to as the Agreement) relating to trade in cotton, wool and man-made fiber textiles, and to recent discussions between our two governments held in Kuala Lumpur on April 28-29, 1976.

I have further the honor, as a result of these discussions to propose the following amendment to the Agreement.

1. Annex B. shall be amended as follows:

A. The description for Category 62 shall be revised to read as follows:

62 Other knitted or crocheted
clothing excluding knit shirts
and blouses Lb. 4.6

B. Between Category 62 and 63, a new subcategory shall be listed as follows:

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For further information contact:

62(part) Knit shirts and blouses

C. The description for Category 224 shall be revised to read as follows:

224 Other wearing apparel, knit, whether or not ornamented, excluding knit tops and vests Lb. 7.8

D. Between Category 224 and 225, a new subcategory shall be listed as follows:

224 (part) Knit tops and vests Doz. 15.69

2. Annex A shall be amended by the addition of the following:
 "For the second agreement year of the new agreement beginning January 1, 1976, the following consultation levels in excess of those stated in paragraph 8 shall apply:"

<u>Category</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>SYE</u>
48	20,000 Dozen	1,000,000
52	68,823 Dozen	1,000,000
55	19,603 Dozen	1,000,000
62 (excluding knit shirts and blouses)	326,087 Pounds	1,500,000
(Provided that no more than 500,000 square yards may be used for products other than mufflers and shawls)		
121	44,444 numbers	200,000
223	93,750 Dozen	1,500,000
224(excluding knit tops and vests)	192,308 pounds	1,500,000
228	68,823 Dozen	1,000,000

3. In addition to the specific limits established in paragraph 4 of the Agreement as adjusted by paragraph 6, the following specific limits will apply beginning in the second agreement year:

<u>Group II Category</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Square Yards Equivalent</u>
41/42/43/62 (part)	Knit shirts and blouses, cotton	345,590 Doz.	2,500,000
218/219/224 (part)	Knit shirts and tops, Man-made fiber	212,488 Doz.	2,500,000

Imports will be charged to the combined category 218/219/224 part specific limit in both dozens and square yards equivalents; the conversion factors established in Annex B for each category and part-category in the combined category shall apply.

If this proposal is acceptable to the Government of Malaysia, this letter and your letter of confirmation on behalf of the Government of Malaysia shall constitute an agreement between the two governments which will enter into force on the date of your reply of acceptance.

Sincerely,


Francis T. Underhill, Jr.
Ambassador

MALAYSIAN NOTE

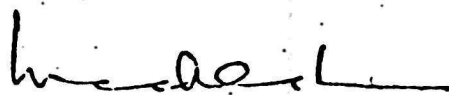
February 25, 1977

H.E. Mr. Francis T. Underhill Jr.
The Ambassador,
Embassy of the United States of America,
A.I.A. Building,
Jalan Ampang,
Kuala Lumpur 01-17.

Dear Mr. Ambassador,

I have the honour to refer to your letter dated 9 February, 1977 regarding the proposed amendments to the Bilateral Textile Agreement of May 16, 1975 and have the further honour to inform you that your proposal is acceptable to the Government of Malaysia.

Sincerely,


(DATUK HJ. HAMZAH B. HJ. ABU SAMAH)
Minister of Trade and Industry