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Textiles Surveillance Body

Organe de surveillance des textiles

#### ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification of an agreement between Sweden and Singapore

Note by the Chairman

The attached notification received from the Swedish delegation transmits the text of a bilateral agreement concluded between Sweden and Singapore covering certain textile products.

#### ARRANGEMENT CONCERNANT LE COMMERCE INTERNATIONAL DES TEXTILES

Notification d'un accord entre la Suède et Singapour

Note du Président

La délégation de la Suède a fait parvenir au secrétariat la notification ci-jointe transmettant le texte d'un accord bilatéral conclu entre la Suède et Singapour, qui porte sur certains produits textiles,

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Dear Mr Ambassador,

I have the honour to enclose copy of an agreement between Sweden and Singapore regarding exports of certain textiles products from Singapore to Sweden. The agreement was concluded by exchange of letters dated 24 February 1977 and 7 June 1977.

Yours sincerely,

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Tom G.R. Tscherning Permanent Representative a.i.

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Singapore, 24th February, 1977.

Mr Ridzwan Dzafir Director Department of Trade Ministry of Finance Fullerton Bldg Singapore 1

Sir,

With reference to the consultations held in Singapore on February 15-17, 1977, regarding the exports of certain textile products from Singapore to Sweden and considering the provisions of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles, I have the honour to inform you that the following is the understanding of the Government of Sweden:

- 1. The following arrangements will apply for the periods specified in Annex I to this letter.
- 2. The Government of Singapore will limit voluntarily exports to Sweden of the textile products, listed in Annex I to this letter, to the levels set out in that Annex.
- 3. The Government of Sweden will admit imports of the textile products of Singapore origin, listed in Annex I, only when such imports are covered by a certificate of origin as per specimen in Annex II, issued by the Certificate of Origin Office of the Controller of Imports and Exports, Singapore, with an endorsement by the Department of Trade of the Ministry of Finance, Singapore, that the consignments concerned have been debited to the agreed limit.

The date of issue of shipping documents is considered to be the date of delivery.

4. The Government of Singapore will forward to the Government of Sweden via the Embassy of Sweden in Singapore monthly statistics on a cumulative basis of the quantities of the items, listed in Annex I, for which duly endorsed certificates of origin for export to Sweden have been issued. The statistics shall reach the Government of Sweden within a period of 2 months from the month under reference.

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- of Singapore monthly statistics on a cumulative basis of imports from Singapore of the items, listed in Annex I. The statistics shall be forwarded to the Government of Singapore within a period of 2 months from the month under reference.
- 6. The Government of Sweden and the Government of Singapore agree to consult each other, at the request of either, when any unforeseen problem arises from the implementation of this agreement. The Government of Sweden and the Government of Singapore agree furthermore to enter into consultations on the prolongation, modification or removal of the limitations before the end of the period of agreement. If consultations do not result, within a reasonable period of time, in a mutually satisfactory solution and the removal or modification of the limitations would result in serious damage to its domestic producers of like or directly competitive products, the Government of Sweden may apply limitations to the extent and for such time as may be found necessary.
- 7. If in the agreement periods expiring on February 28, 1978, exports from Singapore to Sweden of any item listed in Annex I to this letter are less than the level specified for that period, Singapore may export amounts of that item equivalent to such shortfalls during the subsequent agreement period, provided that such exports do not exceed 10% of the level applicable for the latter period.
- 8. This letter together with your reply will constitute an agreement between the Government of Sweden and the Government of Singapore.

I would appreciate your confirmation that the above is also the understanding of the Government of Singapore.

Please accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Yours faithfully,

R Rasmusson

Chargé d'Affaires a.i.

#### Annex I

#### Unit of quantities: Pieces

	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
<b>3</b>	Swedish Tariff Classification No.	Description	Period	Level
	I. 60.04.102-109	Shirts	1.9.1976-28.2.1978	904.000
2	61.03.102-109		1.3.1978-28.2.1979	614.000
	II. 60.04.70-, 80-, 90-	Knitted under- garments, other than shirts, night-garments, pantyhoses and tights.	}	
			{1.9.1976-28.2.1978	1.900.000
	60,05,30-	Sweaters, pull- overs, slipovers, jumpers, and cardigans, knitte or crocheted		1.305.000
	III. 61.01.ex 005, ex 008, 50-	Trousers, other than shorts, not knitted or crocheted men's and boy's, women's and girls' wear	1.3.1977-28.2.1978 1.3.1978-28.2.1979	490.000 498.000
	IV. 61.02, 50-	Blouses, not mitted or crocheted, women's and girls' wear	1.3.1977-28.2.1978	199.500

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Mr R Rasmusson Charge d'Affaires a.i. of Sweden Singapore

Sir

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 24 February 1977 with annexes, regarding limitation of the exports of certain textile products from Singapore to Sweden as per annexed certified true copy.

I have the honour to inform you that the understanding set forth in your letter is acceptable to the Government of Singapore and to confirm that your letter together with the present reply will constitute an agreement between the Government of Singapore and the Government of Sweden.

However, it is the understanding that the limitation shall apply only to products wholly or mainly of cotton and/or of man-made fibres.

Please accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Singapore, 7 June 1977

BIDEVAN DEAFIR DIRECTOR DEPARTMENT OF TRADE MINISTRY OF FINANCE

REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE