

GENERAL AGREEMENT
ON TARIFFS AND
TRADE

ACCORD GENERAL SUR
LES TARIFS DOUANIERS
ET LE COMMERCE

CONFIDENTIAL
TEX.SB/244
7 September 1977

Textiles Surveillance Body

Organe de surveillance des textiles

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4:4

Bilateral Agreement between the United States and India

Note by the Chairman

Attached hereto is a copy of a communication received from the Permanent Mission of the United States regarding a further amendment to the bilateral agreement (see COM.TEX/SB/46 and 158) between the United States and India.

ARRANGEMENT CONCERNANT LE COMMERCE INTERNATIONAL DES TEXTILES

Notification conformément à l'article 4:4

Accord bilatéral conclu entre les Etats-Unis et l'Inde

Note du Président

La Mission permanente des Etats-Unis a fait parvenir au secrétariat une communication - dont copie ci-jointe - concernant une nouvelle modification apportée à l'accord bilatéral (voir COM.TEX/SB/46 et 158) conclu entre les Etats-Unis et l'Inde.

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August 15,

The Honorable
Ambassador Paul Wurth
Chairman, Textiles Surveillance Body
Centre William Rappard
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TC

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 further amendment of the bilateral cotton textile agreement between the United States of America and India. The original agreement and a subsequent amendment were circulated by the TSB as COM/TEX/SB/46 and COM/TEX/SB/158.

The present amendment affects only paragraph 3 of the amendments to the original agreement effected by an exchange of Notes on 20 and 22 January, 1976; said amendments having been notified to the TSB and circulated to the TC as COM/TEX/SB/158. The provisions of paragraph 3 of the United States Note circulated as described above are suppressed and succeeded by the provisions of the agreement being notified under this letter.

A copy of the exchange of Notes giving effect to the new amendment is attached (US State Department Press Release No. 322 of July 7, 1977).

Sincerely,

Harry M. Phelan, Jr.
Minister Counselor

Enclosure: US State Department
Press Release No. 322

July 7, 1977
No. 322

UNITED STATES AND INDIA
AMEND TEXTILE AGREEMENT

The United States and India exchanged notes on June 13 and June 17 respectively, to amend the existing bilateral agreement on trade in cotton textiles between the two countries. The texts of the notes follow:

UNITED STATES NOTE

June 13, 1977

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to the Agreement on Trade in Cotton Textiles between the United States of America and India of August 6, 1974, and the Agreement effected by exchange of notes on January 20 and 22, 1976.

Keeping in view the principles of Article 12(3) of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles, and without prejudice to the interpretations of either the Government of India or the Government of the United States of that Article, the Government of the United States would like to propose the following:

(a) that the provisions of paragraph 3 of the January 1976 Agreement which require the Government of India to limit its exports of handloom apparel products to the United States be terminated immediately;

(b) that either Government may request consultations in respect to their trade in such products whenever they consider them necessary;

(c) that consultations will begin within 30 days of the request for them;

(d) that, pending a mutually satisfactory conclusion of such consultations, the Government of the United States may request the Government of India to restrain exports of such handloom apparel products;

(e) that, upon receiving such a request, the Government of India will restrain exports of such products to the requested level which shall not be lower than the highest level of such imports in any agreement year prior to the date this agreement takes effect.

If this proposal is acceptable to the Government of India, this note and your Excellency's note of acceptance on behalf of the Government of India shall constitute an agreement which will remain in effect until September 30, 1981, unless earlier terminated or amended.

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

For the Secretary of State:

/S/ Stephen Bosworth

His Excellency
Kewal Singh,
Ambassador of India.

INDIA NOTE

June 17, 1977

Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to your letter of June 13, 1977, concerning the agreement on trade in cotton textiles between U.S. and India, the text of which is set out below:

"See U.S. Note".

I confirm on behalf of the Government of India that the above communication correctly sets out the latest procedures agreed upon governing trade in cotton textiles between India and the United States of America.

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

/S/ Kewal Singh
Ambassador of India

His Excellency
Mr. Cyrus R. Vance,
Secretary of State,
Washington, D.C.