

GENERAL AGREEMENT
ON TARIFFS AND
TRADE

ACCORD GENERAL SUR
LES TARIFS DOUANIERS
ET LE COMMERCE

CONFIDENTIAL

TEX.SB/246

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 Mexico

Note by the Chairman

Attached hereto is a communication from the United States Mission concerning a further amendment to the bilateral agreement between the United States and Mexico (see COM.TEX/SB/90 and 175).

ARRANGEMENT CONCERNANT LE COMMERCE INTERNATIONAL DES TEXTILES

Notification conformément à l'article 4:4

Accord bilatéral conclu entre les Etats-Unis et le Mexique

Note du Président

La Mission des Etats-Unis a fait parvenir au secrétariat la communication ci-jointe concernant une nouvelle modification apportée à l'accord bilatéral conclu entre les Etats-Unis et le Mexique (voir COM.TEX/SB/90 et 175).



UNITED STATES MISSION TO INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS
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The Honorable
Ambassador Paul Wurth
Chairman, Textiles Surveillance Body
Centre William Rappard
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 the amendment of the cotton, man-made fiber and wool bilateral textile agreement, as amended, between the United States and Mexico. The original agreement was notified to the TSB and circulated to the Textiles Committee as COM/TEX/SB/90. Subsequently, the agreement was amended; said amendment being notified to the TSB and circulated to the Textile Committee as COM/TEX/SB/175.

The amendment presently notified was concluded under the provisions of paragraph 8 of the bilateral agreement and involves: a) for the second agreement year; the merger of categories 42 and 43, the merger of categories 116 and 117, the establishment of specified consultation levels for the merged categories as well as for categories 201 and 240, and: b) for the third agreement year: the elimination of the specific limit on category 223, and the establishment of specific consultation levels for categories 223, 240 and 243.

A copy of the exchange of Notes giving effect to the present amendment is attached (US State Department Press Release No. 323 of July 8, 1977).

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Harry M. Phelan, Jr.

Harry M. Phelan, Jr.
Minister Counselor

Enclosure: State Department
Press Release No. 323

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

July 8, 1977

No. 323

UNITED STATES AND MEXICO AMEND TEXTILE AGREEMENT

The United States and Mexico exchanged notes on May 24, 1977, to amend the existing bilateral agreement on trade in cotton, wool and man-made fiber textiles between the two countries. The texts of the notes follow:

UNITED STATES NOTE

May 24, 1977

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to the bilateral agreement of May 12, 1975, as amended, between our two Governments concerning trade in cotton, wool and man-made fiber textiles (hereafter referred to as the Agreement). I have further the honor to refer to recent discussions held in Washington, D.C. between representatives of our two Governments pursuant to paragraph 8 of the Agreement. As a result of these discussions, I wish to propose that the Agreement be further amended as follows:

1. In the second agreement year:

(a) Categories 42 and 43 are merged. This merged category is subject to a consultation level of 1.7 million square yards equivalent (SYE).

(b) Categories 116 and 117 are merged. This merged category is subject to a consultation level of 200,000 SYE.

(c) The following categories are subject to the consultation levels specified below:

Category 201	5,600,000 SYE
Category 240	6,720,580 SYE

2. In the third agreement year:

(a) The specific limit for category 223 established by the amendment of March 16, 1976, is deleted.

(b) The following categories are subject to the consultation levels specified below:

Category 223	7,000,000 SYE
Category 240	11,500,000 SYE
Category 243	5,000,000 SYE

If the foregoing conforms with the understanding of your Government, this note and your Excellency's note of confirmation on behalf of the Government of Mexico shall constitute an agreement between our two governments which amends the Agreement, effective on the date of your note of acceptance.

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

For the Secretary of State:

/S/ Stephen Bosworth

His Excellency
Hugo B. Margain,
Ambassador of Mexico.

MEXICO NOTE

Washington, D.C.,
24 de mayo de 1977.

Senor Secretario:

Tengo el honor de acusar recibo de su nota de esta fecha, en la que propone ciertas enmiendas al Convenio sobre Comercio de Textiles de Algodon, Lana y Fibras Artificiales entre Mexico y Estados Unidos.

Deseo confirmar, en nombre del Gobierno de Mexico, que lo expresado en su nota, concuerda con los arreglos a que se llegaron en las discusiones que menciona Vuestra Excelencia. Por lo tanto, su nota y esta nota de confirmacion, constituiran las enmiendas as Convenio entre nuestros dos Gobiernos sobre esta materia.

Reitero a Vuestra Excelencia las seguridades de mi mas alta y distinguida consideracion.

/S/ Hugo B. Margain
Embajador

Excelentisimo senor Cyrus R. Vance
Secretario de Estado
Washington, D.C.