

GENERAL AGREEMENT  
ON TARIFFS AND  
TRADE

ACCORD GENERAL SUR  
LES TARIFS DOUANIERS  
ET LE COMMERCE

CONFIDENTIAL

TEX.SB/266

15 November 1977

Textiles Surveillance Body

Organe de surveillance des textiles

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 3:5  
/IX EEC/Philippines<sup>1</sup> (Benelux - T-shirts)/

Note by the Chairman

Attached are copies of notifications received from the EEC:

38. Request for consultations under Article 3:3 (500 and 702);
39. Council regulation on measures taken under Article 3:5 (701).

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<sup>1</sup>For details of original agreement see COM.TEX/SB/246. Under this agreement imports of undergarments into France and the United Kingdom were restricted.

ARRANGEMENT CONCERNANT LE COMMERCE INTERNATIONAL DES TEXTILES

Notification conformément à l'article 3:5  
/IX CEE/Philippines<sup>1</sup> (Benelux - T-shirts)/

Note du Président

La CEE a fait parvenir au secrétariat les notifications suivantes dont on trouvera ci-joint copies:

38. Demande de consultations au titre de l'article 3:3 (500 et 702);
39. Règlement du Conseil concernant les mesures prises au titre de l'article 3:5 (701).

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<sup>1</sup>Pour le détail de l'accord initial, voir le document COM.TEX/SB/246. Dans le cadre de cet accord, les importations de sous-vêtements en France et au Royaume-Uni faisaient l'objet de restrictions.

COMMISSION  
DES  
COMMUNAUTÉS EUROPÉENNES

Délégation permanente  
auprès des organisations internationales  
à Genève

(See also 702)

Genève, le 6 septembre 1977

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Monsieur le Président,

Par la présente, j'ai l'honneur de porter à votre connaissance le contenu de la note verbale adressée par la Commission des Communautés Européennes à la Mission de la République des Philippines à Bruxelles, le 4 août 1977.

Par cette note verbale, la Commission demande aux Philippines d'entrer immédiatement en consultations avec elle au sujet des importations de T-shirts sur le marché de la Communauté constitué par le Bénélux.

Conformément à l'Arrangement multifibres et à l'accord bilatéral CEE/Philippines, le niveau des importations sur ce marché a été limité en attendant le résultat de ces consultations.

La présente notification est faite pour votre information personnelle au titre du paragraphe 3 de l'article 3 de l'AMF et ne doit donc pas être portée à la connaissance des membres de l'Organe de Surveillance.

Veillez agréer, Monsieur le Président, l'assurance de ma considération la plus distinguée.

Monsieur P. WURTH  
Président de l'Organe de Surveillance  
des Textiles  
GATT  
Centre William Rappard  
rue de Lausanne 154  
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Chef de la Délégation permanente

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COMMISSION  
OF THE  
EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

Directorate-General for  
External Relations

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NOTE VERBALE

The Directorate-General for External Relations presents its compliments to the Mission of the Republic of the Philippines to the European Economic Community and has the honour to refer to the Arrangement regarding International Trade in textiles, in particular Article 3 and annex B thereof.

The Directorate-General for External Relations wishes to draw the attention of the authorities of the Philippines to the situation of market disruption which exists in the Community's market of the Benelux countries in respect of T-shirts (BTN position 60.04-13; ex 19; ex 29; ex 35; 41; ex 49; ex 59; ex 70; ex 80) and to the fact that imports from the Philippines are contributing to this situation. Imports from the Philippines of T-shirts have increased substantially during recent months. They reached 186,000 pieces in 1975, 794,000 pieces in 1976 and the trend is confirmed by an amount of 335,000 pieces in the first three months of 1977. The facts of this situation are set out in the attached annex.

In light of this situation, the Directorate-General for External Relations requests consultations under Article 3 of the MFA to discuss the above mentioned problem.

Pending the conclusion of such consultations the Directorate-General for External Relations having regard to the procedure laid down in Article 3, paragraph 6, of the MFA requests that the level of imports into the Community's market in Benelux countries should not exceed, during the six months, 1 July to 31 December 1977 a total of 565,000 pieces.

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The Mission of the Republic of the Philippines  
to the European Communities

200, av. F.D. Roosevelt  
1050 BRUSSELS

The Directorate-General for External Relations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Mission of the Philippines to the European Economic Community the assurance of its highest consideration.

Brussels,

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(1.000 pieces)

Products: Shirts, T-shirts, and the like.

Nimexe Code: 60.04-13; ex 24; ex 29; ex 38; 41; ex 45; ex 59; ex 70; ex 80.

Member State: BENELUX

<u>1. IMPORTS from</u>	<u>PHILIPPINES</u>	<u>third countries</u>	<u>all countries</u>
1974	45	15,894	34,022
1975	186	20,239	33,253
1976	794	24,022	39,816
1977 (3 months)	335		

<u>2. EXPORTS to</u>		<u>all countries</u>
1974		7,295
1975		7,782
1976		8,967

<u>3. DOMESTIC PRODUCTION</u>	<u>BENELUX</u>
1974	48,400
1975	41,960
1976	42,273

<u>4. APPARENT</u>	
<u>DOMESTIC CONSUMPTION</u>	<u>BENELUX</u>
1974	75,128
1975	67,430
1976	73,126

<u>5. MARKET SHARE</u>	<u>PHILIPPINES</u>	<u>all countries</u>
1974	-	45.2 %
1975	0.2 %	49.3 %
1976	1.08 %	54.4 %

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COMMISSION  
DES  
COMMUNAUTÉS EUROPÉENNES

Genève, le 17 octobre 1977

Délégation permanente  
auprès des organisations internationales  
à Genève

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Monsieur le Président,

Par la présente, j'ai l'honneur de porter à la connaissance des membres de l'Organe de Surveillance des textiles le contenu du règlement (CEE)1827/77 du Conseil du 5 août 1977 instaurant un régime d'autorisation d'importation pour les T-shirts originaires des Philippines dans la région de la Communauté constituée par le Benelux.

Cette mesure a été prise au titre du paragraphe 5 de l'article 3 de l'AMF et restera en vigueur jusqu'au 31 décembre 1977.

Veuillez agréer, Monsieur le Président, mes salutations les plus distinguées.

P. LUYTEN  
Chef de la délégation permanente

Monsieur P. WURTH  
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**COUNCIL REGULATION (EEC) No 1827/77**  
of 5 August 1977

maintaining, with certain amendments, the arrangements for the authorization of imports into the Community or into certain Member States of cotton yarn and of garments originating in certain third countries

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community, and in particular Article 113 thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1439/74 of 4 June 1974 on common rules for imports <sup>(1)</sup>, and in particular Article 13 thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1658/77 of 18 July 1977 on the safeguard measures provided for in the Cooperation Agreement and in the Interim Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Arab Republic of Egypt <sup>(2)</sup>, and in particular Article 3 thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1662/77 of 18 July 1977 on the safeguard measures provided for in the Cooperation Agreement and in the Interim Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Kingdom of Morocco <sup>(3)</sup>, and in particular Article 3 thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1664/77 of 18 July 1977 on the safeguard measures provided for in the Cooperation Agreement and in the Interim Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Tunisia <sup>(4)</sup>, and in particular Article 3 thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1525/70 of 20 July 1970 on the protective measures provided for in the Agreement between the European Economic Community and Spain <sup>(5)</sup>, and in particular Article 1 thereof,

Whereas by Regulation (EEC) No 1566/77 <sup>(6)</sup>, the Commission adopted measures on the importation

into the Community or into certain Member States of cotton yarn and garments originating in Colombia, Egypt, India, Malaysia, Morocco, Pakistan, Spain, Tunisia or Turkey;

Whereas the measures taken by Regulation (EEC) No 1566/77 regarding imports of cotton yarn and garments originating in Spain have been referred to the Council; whereas, in view of the arrangements adopted, it was not considered necessary also to refer to the Council the measures taken by that Regulation regarding imports from Turkey;

Whereas the grounds justifying the introduction of the measures have persisted; whereas the measures should accordingly remain in force until 31 December 1977, amended, however, as necessary in the light of the examination effected, and should include, in particular, imports of certain garments originating in the Philippines,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

*Article 1*

The arrangements for the authorization of imports into the Community or into certain Member States of cotton yarn and of garments originating in Colombia, Egypt, India, Malaysia, Morocco, Pakistan, Tunisia or Spain laid down by Regulation (EEC) No 1566/77, as amended by the Annex to this Regulation, shall remain applicable until 31 December 1977.

*Article 2*

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 5 August 1977.

*For the Council*  
*The President*  
H. SIMONET

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ No L 159, 15. 6. 1974, p. 1.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ No L 186, 26. 7. 1977, p. 1.

<sup>(3)</sup> OJ No L 186, 26. 7. 1977, p. 9.

<sup>(4)</sup> OJ No L 186, 26. 7. 1977, p. 13.

<sup>(5)</sup> OJ No L 182, 16. 8. 1970, p. 175.

<sup>(6)</sup> OJ No L 174, 14. 7. 1977, p. 9.



## ANNEX

Category	CCT heading No	NIMEXE code (1977)	Description	Third country	Member State	Unit	Quantity (1 July to 31 December 1977)
1	55.05	All	Cotton yarn, not put up for retail sale	Egypt	D F I BNL UK IRL DK EEC	tonnes	2 180 957 139 847 228 7.5 456 4 814.5
				Colombia	F	tonnes	393
				Spain	F	tonnes	1 000
				India	F	tonnes	200
2	ex 60.04	60.04-13; ex 19; ex 29; ex 35; 41; ex 49; ex 59; ex 70; ex 80	Under garments, knitted or crocheted, not elastic or rubberized:  — Shirts, roll-neck undershirts, T-shirts, vests and the like, other than of silk, noil or other waste silk, flax or ramie	Spain	BNL D F	1 000 items	1 317 1 532 1 350
				Macao	DK	1 000 items	306
				Malaysia	F	1 000 items	612
					D		804
				Morocco	F	1 000 items	2 580
				Pakistan	F	1 000 items	950
					DK		112
					BNL		631
				<del>Philippines</del>	<del>BNL</del>	<del>1 000 items</del>	<del>565</del>
				Tunisia	F	1 000 items	592
3	61.02	61.02-78; 82; ex 84	Women's, girls' and infants' outer garments: ex B. Other than babies' garments: — Blouses, other than of silk, noil or other waste silk, flax or ramie	Macao	DK	1 000 items	131
4	ex 61.03	61.03-11; 15; ex 19	Men's and boys' under garments, including collars, shirt fronts and cuffs: — Shirts, other than of silk, noil or other waste silk, flax or ramie	Macao	DK	1 000 items	574
				Morocco	F	1 000 items	250
				Singapore	DK	1 000 items	247
				Tunisia	F	1 000 items	200

Commission of the  
European Communities

Geneva, 6 September 1977

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Mr. Chairman,

I have the honour to advise you hereby of the content of the note verbale addressed by the Commission of the European Communities to the Mission of the Republic of the Philippines at Brussels on 4 August 1977.

By this note verbale, the Commission requests the Philippines to enter into consultations with it immediately concerning imports of T-shirts on the market of the Community constituted by Benelux.

In accordance with the Multi-Fibre Arrangement, the level of imports on this market has been limited pending the result of these consultations.

The present notification is made for your personal information under Article 3, paragraph 3 of the MFA and the members of the Surveillance Body must not, therefore, be advised of it.

Accept, Mr. Chairman, etc.

P. LUYTEN  
Head of the Permanent Delegation  
Commission of the European Communities

Mr. P. WURTH,  
Chairman of the Textiles  
Surveillance Body

Commission of the  
European Communities

Geneva, 17 October 1977

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Mr. Chairman,

I have the honour hereby to advise the members of the Textiles Surveillance Body of the content of Council Regulation (EEC) No. 1827/77 of 5 August 1977 instituting arrangements for the authorization of imports for T-shirts originating in the Philippines in the region of the Community constituted by Benelux.

This measure has been taken under Article 3, paragraph 5 of the MFA and will remain in force until 31 December 1977.

Accept, Mr. Chairman, etc.

P. LUYTEN  
Head of the Permanent Delegation  
Commission of the European Communities

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Chairman of the Textiles  
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