

GENERAL AGREEMENT
ON TARIFFS AND
TRADE

ACCORD GENERAL SUR
LES TARIFS DOUANIERS
ET LE COMMERCE

CONFIDENTIAL

TEX.SB/278

7 February 1978

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 a series of agreements between the United States and India to extend, on a short-term basis, their existing bilateral cotton textiles agreement.¹ Copies of the notes affecting the extension are attached to the notification.

¹See COM.TEX/SB/46, 158 and 264.

ARRANGEMENT CONCERNANT LE COMMERCE INTERNATIONAL DES TEXTILES

Notification au titre de l'article 4

Note du Président

La Mission des Etats-Unis a fait parvenir au secrétariat la notification ci-jointe relative à une série d'accords entre les Etats-Unis et l'Inde portant prorogation, pour une courte durée, de leur accord bilatéral existant relatif au commerce des textiles de coton¹. Des copies des notes relatives à cette prorogation sont jointes à la notification.

¹Voir les documents COM.TEX/SB/46, 158 et 264.

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UNITED STATES MISSION TO INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS
GENEVA, SWITZERLAND

The Honorable
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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 TSB of a series of agreements between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of India to extend on short-term interim bases the bilateral cotton textiles agreement between the two Governments for the period July 1, 1977 through December 31, 1977. The original agreement was notified to the TSB and subsequently circulated to the TC as COM.TEX/SB/46 of December 16, 1974. The original agreement was modified by an exchange of Notes on January 20 and 22, 1976 (notified to TSB and circulated as COM.TEX/SB/158 of May 21, 1976) and was amended by exchanges of Notes of June 13 and 17, 1977 notified to the TSB and circulated to the TC as COM.TEX/SB/264 of September 28, 1977.

In these Note exchanges, the parties to the bilateral agreement agreed: (a) to extend the agreement from October 1, 1976 through October 31, 1977; (b) to extend from October 1, 1976 through November 30, 1977; and, (c) to extend from October 1, 1976 through December 31, 1977. In each case all restraint limits and growth were adjusted pro-rata to the extended periods.

Attached hereto are self-explanatory copies of U.S. State Department Press Releases No. 462 of October 12, 1977, No. 504 of November 7, 1977 and No. 543 of December 5, 1977. The releases give full texts of the Note exchanges which effected the several extensions.

Sincerely,
Handwritten signature of Harry M. Phelan, Jr.
Harry M. Phelan, Jr.
Minister Counselor

Attachment:
As indicated above

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

October 12, 1977
No. 462

UNITED STATES AND INDIA
AMEND TEXTILE AGREEMENT

The United States and India exchanged notes on September 28 and September 29, 1977 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

His Excellency
N. A. Palkhivala,
Appointed Ambassador of India

September 28, 1977

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles done in Geneva on December 20, 1973 (the "Arrangement"), and to the Agreement on Trade in Cotton Textiles between our two Governments of August 6, 1974, as modified by the exchange of notes of January 20 and 22, 1976 and as further amended by the exchange of notes of June 13 and June 17, 1977 (the "Agreement").

I have also the honor to refer to recent discussions between representatives of our two Governments in Washington and New Delhi. As a result of those discussions, I propose on behalf of my Government that the Agreement be amended as follows:

1. The term of the Agreement shall be extended through October 31, 1977.
2. The agreement year covering the period October 1, 1976, through September 30, 1977, shall be extended to include the period from October 1, 1976, through October 31, 1977. The aggregate limit, the group limits, and each specific limit applicable during the Agreement year covering the period October 1, 1976,

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to October 31, 1977, shall be equal to 108.33 percent of the corresponding limit applicable during the agreement year ending September 30, 1977, plus seven percent of one-twelfth of the corresponding limit for the agreement year ending September 30, 1977.

3. For the agreement year covering the period from October 1, 1976 to October 31, 1977, the consultation levels set in subparagraph 4(b) of the Agreement shall be 108.33 percent of the corresponding levels for the agreement year ending September 30, 1977.

If this proposal is acceptable to the Government of India, this note and Your Excellency's note of acceptance on behalf of your Government shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments, amending the Agreement.

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

For the Secretary of State:

/S/ Robert Hormats

INDIAN NOTE

September 29, 1977

His Excellency
Mr. Cyrus R. Vance,
Secretary of State,
Department of State,
Washington, DC

Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to your letter of September 28, 1977, concerning the agreement on trade in cotton textiles between the United States and India, the text of which is set out below:

See U.S. Note

2. 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/ N.A. Palkhivala
AMBASSADOR OF INDIA

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

November 7, 1977
No. 504

UNITED STATES AND INDIA EXTEND BILATERAL TEXTILE AGREEMENT

The U.S. and India agreed to extend the current bilateral agreement on trade in cotton textiles on October 28, 1977. Texts of the notes follow:

UNITED STATES NOTE

October 28, 1977

His Excellency
N. A. Palkhivala
Ambassador of India

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles done in Geneva on December 20, 1973 (the "Arrangement"), and to the Agreement on Trade in Cotton Textiles between our two Governments of August 6, 1974, as modified by the exchange of notes of January 20 and 22, 1976, as amended by the exchange of notes of June 13 and 17, 1977 and as further amended by the exchange of notes of September 28 and 29, 1977.

I have also the honor to refer to recent discussions between representatives of our two Governments in Washington and New Delhi. As a result of those discussions, I propose on behalf of my Government that the Agreement be amended as follows:

1. The term of the Agreement shall be extended through November 30, 1977.

2. The agreement year covering the period October 1, 1976, through September 30, 1977 shall be extended to include the period from October 1, 1976, through November 30, 1977. The aggregate limit, the group limits, and each specific limit applicable during the agreement year covering the period October 1, 1976, to November 30, 1977, shall be equal to 116.67 percent of the corresponding limit applicable during the agreement year ending September 30, 1977, plus seven percent of one-sixth of the corresponding limit for the agreement year ending September 30, 1977.

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3. For the agreement year covering the period from October 1, 1976 to November 30, 1977, the consultation levels set in subparagraph 4(b) of the Agreement shall be 116.67 percent of the corresponding levels for the agreement year ending September 30, 1977.

If this proposal is acceptable to the Government of India, this note and Your Excellency's note of acceptance on behalf of your Government shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments, amending the Agreement.

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

For the Secretary of State:

/S/ William Barraclough

INDIAN NOTE

October 28, 1977

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

Excellency:

I have the honour to refer to your letter of October 28, 1977, concerning the agreement on trade in cotton textiles between U.S. and India, the text of which is set out below:

TEXT

See U.S. Note.

2. 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.

For the Ambassador of India
/S/ J. N. Dixit
MINISTER OF THE EMBASSY

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

December 5, 1977
No. 543

UNITED STATES AND INDIA EXTEND BILATERAL TEXTILE AGREEMENT

The U.S. and India agreed on an additional extension of the current bilateral agreement on trade in cotton textiles on November 29, 1977. Texts of the notes follow:

UNITED STATES NOTE

His Excellency
N. A. Palkhivala
Ambassador of India

November 29, 1977

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles done in Geneva on December 20, 1973 (the "Arrangement"), and to the Agreement on Trade in Cotton Textiles between our two Governments of August 6, 1974, as modified by the exchange of notes of January 20 and 22, 1976, as amended by the exchanges of notes of June 13 and 17, 1977, September 28 and 29, 1977, and October 28, 1977 (the "Agreement")

I have also the honor to refer to recent discussions between representatives of our two Governments in Washington and New Delhi. As a result of those discussions, I propose on behalf of my Government that the Agreement be amended as follows:

1. The term of the Agreement shall be extended through December 31, 1977.
2. The agreement year covering the period October 1, 1976, through September 30, 1977 shall be extended to include the period from October 1, 1976 through December 31, 1977. The aggregate limit, the group limits, and each specific limit applicable during the agreement year covering the period October 1, 1976, to December 31, 1977, shall be equal to 125.00 percent of the corresponding limit applicable during the agreement year ending September 30, 1977, plus seven percent of one-fourth of the corresponding limit for the agreement year ending September 30, 1977.

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For further information contact:

3. For the agreement year covering the period from October 1, 1976 to December 31, 1977, the consultation levels set in subparagraph 4(b) of the Agreement shall be 125.00 percent of the corresponding levels for the agreement year ending September 30, 1977.

If this proposal is acceptable to the Government of India, this note and Your Excellency's note of acceptance on behalf of your Government shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments, amending the Agreement.

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

For the Secretary of State:

/S/ Robert Hormats

INDIAN NOTE

November 29, 1977

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

Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to your letter of November 29, 1977 concerning the agreement on trade in cotton textiles between U.S. and India, the text of which is set below:

See U.S. Note.

2. 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.

For the Ambassador of India

/S/ (J. N. Dixit)
Minister of the Embassy