

GENERAL AGREEMENT
ON TARIFFS AND
TRADE

ACCORD GENERAL SUR
LES TARIFS DOUANIERS
ET LE COMMERCE

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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 Haiti

Note by the Chairman

The attached notification received from the United States mission concerns a further amendment to the bilateral agreement¹ covering certain textile products between the United States and Haiti.

¹For details of the agreement and previous amendments see COM.TEX/SB/179, 202, 235, 261 and 295.

ARRANGEMENT CONCERNANT LE COMMERCE INTERNATIONAL DES TEXTILES

Notification conformément à l'article 4:4

Accord bilatéral entre les Etats-Unis et Haïti

Note du Président

La Mission des Etats-Unis a fait parvenir au secrétariat la notification ci-jointe relative à une nouvelle modification de l'accord bilatéral¹ portant sur certains produits textiles, conclu entre les Etats-Unis et Haïti.

¹Pour le détail de l'accord et les modifications précédentes, voir les documents COM.TEX/SB/179, 202, 235, 261 et 295.



UNITED STATES MISSION TO INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS
GENEVA, SWITZERLAND

February 27, 1978

The Honorable
Ambassador Paul Wurth
Chairman,
Textiles Surveillance Body
Centre William Rappard
154, rue de Lausanne
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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 further amendment to the bilateral textile agreement, as amended, between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Haiti. The original agreement was notified and circulated as COM.TEX/SB/145 of 18 June 1976. Prior amendments have been notified and circulated as COM.TEX/SB/166-179-202-235-241-261-and 277.

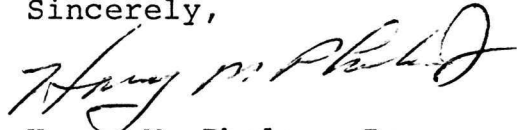
The original agreement, as amended, runs through December 31, 1978. The primary purpose of the present amendment was to convert equitably the limits and consultation levels in the old agreement, negotiated under the old U.S. category system, to levels consonant with the new U.S. category system adopted with effect from January 1, 1978. The parties have agreed to recognize the "indicative limits" set up in Annex B, which includes specific category limits (SL), designated consultation levels (DL) and those categories subject to the general consultation level set forth in the original agreement and amendments thereto (MCL).

The "indicative limits" will be subject to bilateral reviews and possible modification in March or April 1978. It may also be noted that, for the agreement year beginning January 1, 1977, the United States has assented to requests by Haiti to exceed seven consultation levels. The parties have also agreed to the establishment of two new specific limits to the same agreement year.

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Attached is a copy of State Department Press Release No. 562 of December 12, 1977 which sets forth the full texts of the exchange of Notes giving effect to the amendments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Harry M. Phelan, Jr.", written in dark ink.

Harry M. Phelan, Jr.
Minister-Counselor

Enclosure: As stated

December 12, 1977
No. 562

UNITED STATES AND HAITI
AMEND TEXTILE AGREEMENT

The United States and Haiti agreed to amend the existing bilateral textile agreement on trade in cotton, wool, and man-made fiber textiles and textile products on November 23, 1977. The texts of the notes follow:

UNITED STATES NOTE

November 23, 1977

His Excellency
Georges Salomon
Ambassador of Haiti

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles done at Geneva on December 20, 1973 (the "Arrangement") and to discussions concerning trade in textiles and textile products between representatives of the Governments of Haiti and the United States of America in Washington from October 3 to 7, 1977. On the basis of these discussions and in accordance with Article 4 of the Arrangement, I have the honor to propose that the Agreement between the United States of America and Haiti Concerning Trade in Cotton, Wool and Man-made Fiber Textiles and Textile Products, of March 23, 1976, as amended (hereinafter referred to as the "Agreement"), be further amended as follows:

1. During the agreement year commencing January 1, 1978, the Government of Haiti will, tentatively, implement the Agreement in accordance with the new category system (Annex A hereto) to be put into effect by the Government of the United States on January 1, 1978 and limit exports of textiles and textile products from Haiti to the United States to the indicative quantities set out in Annex B hereto. Indicative quantities designated as "SL" in Annex B represent specific limits and indicative quantities designated "DCL" or "MCL" in Annex B represent consultation levels. The indicative quantities set out in Annex B are subject to modification in accordance with the procedures set out herein, or as otherwise provided in the Agreement.

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2. Both Governments agree that indicative quantities will tend to represent fair and appropriate allocations of export restraint levels under the category system presently in use to categories under the system to be implemented beginning January 1, 1978.

3. Prior to December 1, 1977, the Government of Haiti will inform the Government of the United States of America of what it considers to be appropriate indicative quantities for the agreement year beginning January 1, 1978.

The Government of the United States of America will promptly inform the Government of Haiti whether or not it agrees to the indicative quantities proposed by the Government of Haiti. If necessary, representatives of the two Governments will meet promptly to discuss differences between the indicative quantities set under paragraph 1 above and those proposed by the Government of Haiti. The Government of the United States of America assures the Government of Haiti that when a quota for 1977 has been adjusted and is filled either totally or in part, such trade will be considered for automatic inclusion in indicative quantities for the agreement year beginning January 1, 1978 if not questioned by either Government.

4. Concurrently with its proposals under paragraph 3, the Government of Haiti may also propose increases in indicative quantities for 1978; the United States will promptly respond to such proposals. The Government of Haiti may also propose increases in indicative quantities during the course of any discussions held pursuant to paragraph 3 above;

the Government of the United States of America will consider such proposals as part of the discussions.

5. Both Governments agree to conduct a major joint review of the operation of the new category system during late March or early April 1977; if warranted, appropriate adjustments to the Agreement or its implementation will be made following the joint review.

6. The Government of the United States of America will cooperate with the Government of Haiti, particularly with respect to the provision of information to technical specialists concerning operation of the new category system.

7. a) For the agreement year beginning January 1, 1977, category 50/51 shall be separated to categories 50 and 51. The Government of the United States of America agrees to the request of the Government of the Republic of Haiti to exceed certain consultation levels for the agreement year beginning January 1, 1977; accordingly, the Categories set out below shall be subject to the following new consultation levels for that agreement year:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Consultation Level</u> (Square Yards Equivalent)
50	2,000,000
51	2,000,000
53	1,500,000
54	2,000,000
55	2,000,000
215	6,000,000
223	3,000,000

b) The Government of the United States of America agrees to the request of the Government of the Republic of Haiti to modify certain specific limits for the agreement year beginning January 1, 1977; accordingly, the Categories

set out below shall be subject to the following new specific limits for that agreement year:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Specific Limit</u> (Square Yards Equivalent)
222	2,951,000
238	7,000,000

If the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the Government of the Republic of Haiti, this note and Your Excellency's note of confirmation will constitute an agreement between the Government of the Republic of Haiti and the United States of America, amending the Agreement.

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

For the Acting Secretary of State:
/S/ William Barraclough

ANNEX A

<u>Category</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Conversion Factor</u>	<u>Unit of Measure</u>
<u>YARN</u>			
-- Cotton			
300	Carded	4.6	Lb.
301	Combed	4.6	Lb.
-- Wool			
400	Tops and yarn	2.0	Lb.
-- Man-made fiber			
600	Textured	3.5	Lb.
601	Cont. cellulosic	5.2	Lb.
602	Cont. noncellulosic	11.6	Lb.
603	Spun cellulosic	3.6	Lb.
604	Spun noncellulosic	4.1	Lb.
605	Other yarns	3.5	Lb.

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-- Cotton

310	Ginghams	1.0	SYD
311	Velveteans	1.0	SYD
312	Corduroy	1.0	SYD
313	Sheeting	1.0	SYD
314	Broadcloth	1.0	SYD
315	Printcloths	1.0	SYD
316	Shirtings	1.0	SYD
317	Twills and Sateens	1.0	SYD
318	Yarn-dyed	1.0	SYD
319	Duck	1.0	SYD
320	Other fabrics, n.k.	1.0	SYD

-- Wool

410	Woolens and worsted	1.0	SYD
411	Tapestries and upholstery	1.0	SYD
425	Knit	2.0	Lb.
429	Other Fabrics	1.0	SYD

-- Man-made fiber

610	Cont. cellulosic, n.k.	1.0	SYD
611	Spun cellulosic, n.k.	1.0	SYD
612	Cont. noncellulosic, n.k.	1.0	SYD
613	Spun noncellulosic, n.k.	1.0	SYD
614	Other fabrics, n.k.	1.0	SYD
625	Knit	7.8	Lb.
626	File and tufted	1.0	SYD
627	Specialty	7.8	Lb.

APPAREL

-- Cotton

330	Handkerchiefs	1.7	Dz.
331	Gloves	3.5	DPR
332	Hosiery	4.6	DPR
333	Suit-type coats, M and B.	36.2	Dz.

334	Other coats, M and B	41.3	Dz.
335	Coats, W, G and I	41.3	Dz.
336	Dresses (inc. uniforms)	45.3	Dz.
337	Playsuits, sunsuits, washsuits, creepers	25.0	Dz.
338	Knit shirts, (inc. T- shirts, other and sweatshirts) M and B	7.2	Dz.
339	Knit shirts and blouses (inc. T-shirts, other & sweatshirts) W, G and I	7.2	Dz.
340	Shirts, n.k.	24.0	Dz.
341	Blouses, n.k.	14.5	Dz.
342	Skirts	17.8	Dz.
345	Sweaters	36.8	Dz.
347	Trousers, slacks, and shorts (outer) M and B	17.8	Dz.
348	Trousers, slacks and shorts (outer) W, G and I	17.8	Dz.
349	Brassieres, etc.	4.8	Dz.
350	Dressing gowns, inc. bathrobes, and beach robes, lounging gowns house coats, and dusters	51.2	Dz.
351	Pajamas and other nightwear	52.0	Dz.
352	Underwear (inc. union suits)	11.0	Dz.
359	Other apparel	4.6	Lh.

-- Wool

431	Gloves	2.1	DPR
432	Hosiery	2.8	DPR
433	Suit-type coats, M and B	3.0	No.
434	Other coats, M and B	4.5	No.
435	Coats, W, G and I	4.5	No.
436	Dresses	4.1	No.
438	Knit shirts and blouses	15.0	Dz.
440	Shirts and blouses, n.k.	24.0	Dz.
442	Skirts	1.5	No.
443	Suits, M and B	4.5	No.
444	Suits, W, G and I	4.5	No.
445	Sweaters, M and B	14.88	Dz.
446	Sweaters, W, G and I	14.88	Dz.
447	Trousers, slacks, and shorts (outer) M and B	1.5	No.
448	Trousers, slacks and shorts (outer) W, G and I	1.5	No.
459	Other wool apparel	2.0	Lb.

-- Man-made fiber

630	Handkerchiefs	1.7	Dz.
631	Gloves	3.5	DPR
632	Hosiery	4.6	DPR
633	Suit-type coats, M and B	36.2	Dz.
634	Other coats, M and B	41.3	Dz.
635	Coats, W, G and I	41.3	Dz.
636	Dresses	45.3	Dz.
637	Playsuits, sunsuits, washsuits, etc.	21.3	Dz.
638	Knit shirts, (inc. T-shirts), M and B	18.0	Dz.

639	Knit shirts and blouses (inc. T-shirts), W, G and I	15.0	Dz.
640	Shirts, n.k.	24.0	Dz.
641	Blouses, n.k.	14.5	Dz.
642	Skirts	17.8	Dz.
643	Suits, M and B	4.5	No.
644	Suits, W, G and I	4.5	No.
645	Sweaters, M and B	36.8	Dz.
646	Sweaters W, G and I	36.8	Dz.
647	Trousers, slacks, and shorts (outer), M and B	17.8	Dz.
648	Trousers, slacks and shorts (outer), W, G and I	17.8	Dz.
649	Brassieres, Etc.	4.8	Dz.
650	Dressing gowns, inc. bath and beach robes	51.0	Dz.
651	Fajamas and other nightwear	52.0	Dz.
652	Underwear	16.0	Dz.
659	Other apparel	7.8	Lb.

MADE-UPS AND MISC.

-- Cotton

360	Pillowcases	1.1	No.
361	Sheets	6.2	No.
362	Bedspreads and quilts	6.9	No.
363	Terry and other pile towels	0.5	No.
369	Other cotton manufactures	4.6	Lb.

--Wool

464	Blankets and auto robes	1.3	Lb.
465	Floor covering	0.1	SPT
469	Other wool manufactures	2.0	Lb.
-- Man-made fiber			
665	Floor coverings	0.1	SPT
666	Other furnishings	7.8	Lb.
669	Other man-made manufactures	7.8	Lb.

ANNEX B

New Category	Type of Level	Indicative Quantity (In Square Yards Equivalent)
300	MCL	
301	MCL	
400	MCL	
600	MCL	
601	MCL	
602	MCL	
603	MCL	
604	MCL	
605	MCL	
310	MCL	
311	MCL	
312	MCL	
313	MCL	
314	MCL	
315	MCL	
316	MCL	
317	MCL	
318	MCL	
319	MCL	
320	MCL	
410	MCL	

411	MCL	
425	MCL	
429	MCL	
610	MCL	
611	MCL	
612	MCL	
613	MCL	
614	MCL	
625	MCL	
626	MCL	
627	MCL	
330	MCL	
331	SL	1,744,900
332	MCL	
333	MCL	
334	MCL	
335	MCL	
336	DCL	1,500,000
337	DCL	2,000,000
338	MCL	
339	MCL	
340	SL	2,289,800
341	MCL	
342	MCL	
345	MCL	
347	DCL	2,000,000
348	DCL	1,600,000
349	MCL	
350	DCL	2,000,000
351	MCL	
352	MCL	
359	SL	2,000,000

431	MCL	
432	MCL	
433	MCL	
434	MCL	
435	MCL	
436	MCL	
438	MCL	
440	MCL	
442	MCL	
443	MCL	
444	MCL	
445	MCL	
446	MCL	
447	MCL	
448	MCL	
459	MCL	
630	MCL	
631	DCL	2,000,000
632	DCL	6,000,000
633	MCL	
634	MCL	
635	SL	4,500,000
636	DCL	4,000,000
637	SL	4,910,000
638	MCL	
639	SL	5,233,625
640	DCL	2,000,000
641	SL	4,236,130
642	MCL	
643	MCL	
644	SL	1,700,000
645	MCL	
646	MCL	
647	MCL	

648	SL	10,100,000
649	SL	3,702,245
650	DCL	2,000,000
651	DCL	2,000,000
652	SL	6,200,000
659	DCL	2,000,000
360	MCL	
361	MCL	
362	MCL	
363	MCL	
369	MCL	
464	MCL	
465	MCL	
469	DCL	200,000
655	MCL	
666	MCL	
669	MCL	

HAITIAN NOTE

Washington November 23, 1977

His Excellency
Cyrus Vance
Secretary of State of the
United States
Washington, D.C.

Excellency:

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your Excellency's note of November 23, 1977, concerning the consultation between representatives of the Government of the United States and representatives of the Government of Haiti from October 3 to 7, 1977, on arrangements to the bilateral Textiles Agreement of March 22 and 23, 1977.

The Government of Haiti has given its acceptance to the proposal and this note and Your Excellency's note shall constitute an agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Republic of Haiti pursuant to paragraph 7 of the Agreement.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew the assurances of my highest consideration.

/S/ Georges Salomon
Ambassador