

GENERAL AGREEMENT
ON TARIFFS AND
TRADE

ACCORD GENERAL SUR
LES TARIFS DOUANIERS
ET LE COMMERCE

CONFIDENTIAL

TEX.SB/304
18 May 1978

Textiles Surveillance Body

Organe de surveillance des textiles

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Articles 7 & 8

Note by the Chairman

The attached notification received from the United States mission concerns an amendment to the interim agreement¹ previously concluded between the United States and a non-participating country. This notification has been made in accordance with the decision of the Textiles Committee that agreements with non-participants should be notified.

¹For original interim agreement see COM.TEX/SB/307.

ARRANGEMENT CONCERNANT LE COMMERCE INTERNATIONAL DES TEXTILES

Notification conformément aux articles 7 et 8

Note du Président

La Mission des Etats-Unis a fait parvenir au secrétariat la notification ci-jointe relative à une modification de l'accord intérimaire¹ conclu antérieurement entre les Etats-Unis et un pays non participant. Cette notification a été faite conformément à la décision du Comité des textiles selon laquelle les accords passés avec des non participants doivent lui être notifiés.

¹Pour le texte initial de l'accord intérimaire, voir le document COM.TEX/SB/307.



UNITED STATES MISSION TO INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS
GENEVA, SWITZERLAND

May 11, 1978

The Honorable
Ambassador Paul Wurth
Chairman, Textiles Surveillance Body
Centre William Rappard
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Dear Mr. Chairman:

Pursuant to the decision of the Textiles Committee, taken at its meeting of December 1974 regarding notification to the Textiles Surveillance Body of agreements concluded or actions taken by countries participating in the Arrangement vis-a-vis non-participants, I am instructed by my government to notify the TSB of the amendment of the "Interim Agreement" between the United States and the Republic of China (notified to the TSB as TEX.SB/292).

The "Interim Agreement" has been extended through June 30, 1978 and aggregate, group and specific category limits have been adjusted pro-rata for the three months extension.

Attached hereto is a copy of Department of State Press Release No. 146 of April 5, 1978 setting forth the texts of the note exchange 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

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

April 5, 1978

No. 146

UNITED STATES AND THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA AMEND INTERIM AGREEMENT

The United States and the Republic of China exchanged notes on March 30, 1978 to amend the existing Interim Agreement between the two countries. The texts of the notes follow:

UNITED STATES NOTE

March 30, 1978

His Excellency
James C. H. Shen
Chinese Ambassador

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to the Interim Agreement of December 16, 1977 (the "Interim Agreement") between the Government of the Republic of China and the Government of the United States of America concerning trade in cotton, wool and man-made fiber textiles and textile products manufactured in the Republic of China.

I have also the honor to refer to discussions between representatives of the Government of the Republic of China and the Government of the United States of America held in Taipei from January 23 to 28, 1978, and in Washington from February 21 to 24, 1978, concerning exports to the United States of such textiles and textile products. As a result of these discussions I have the honor to propose, on behalf of the Government of the United States of America, that the Interim Agreement be amended as follows:

1. Paragraph 1 of the Interim Agreement is amended to read:

"1. The term of this Interim Agreement shall be from January 1, 1978 through June 30, 1978."

2. Paragraph 5 of the Interim Agreement is amended to read:

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"5. Categories not subject to Specific Limits are subject to consultation levels and to the Aggregate and applicable Group Limits. Except as specified in Annex C, which sets out certain different consultation levels, consultation levels for categories not subject to Specific Limits shall be 500,000 square yards equivalent for categories in Group I, 350,000 square yards equivalent for categories in Group II, and 50,000 square yards equivalent for categories in Group III."

3. Annexes B and C to the Interim Agreement are deleted and are replaced, respectively, by Annexes B and C to this Note.

If the foregoing proposal is acceptable to your Government, this note and your Excellency's note of acceptance on behalf of the Government of the Republic of China shall constitute an agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of China, amending the Interim Agreement.

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

For the Secretary of State:

/S/ William Barraclough

ANNEX B
AGGREGATE, GROUP AND SPECIFIC LIMITS
(JANUARY 1, 1978 TO JUNE 30, 1978)

	Unit	Limit
Aggregate	SYE	379,472,418
Group 1	SYE	82,933,744
Group 2	SYE	294,037,820
Group 3	SYE	2,500,852
Category		
313	Syd.	19,407,706
335	Doz.	21,376
340	Doz.	292,000
341	Doz.	158,292
347	Doz.	139,594
348	Doz.	219,522
434	No.	177,778
440	Doz.	5,992
445	Doz.	5,024
446	Doz.	28,862
633	Doz.	23,878
634	Doz.	314,520
635	Doz.	261,094
638	Doz.	676,103
639	Doz.	2,516,590
640	Doz.	1,459,690
641	Doz.	292,498
643	No.	330,870
644	No.	396,184
645/646	Doz.	2,013,786
647	Doz.	846,974
648	Doz.	1,433,004

ANNEX C

DESIGNATED CONSULTATION LEVELS
(JANUARY 1, 1978 TO JUNE 30, 1978)

Category	Level (Square Yards Equivalent)
310	1,461,848
314	750,000
315	1,049,998
317	2,082,532
318	2,000,000
320	9,000,000
331	750,000
336	575,000
337	1,000,000
338	369,190
339	627,052
345	547,658
350	800,000
351	1,174,056
352	1,100,000
359	2,350,000
360	1,000,000
361	1,000,000
363	750,000
369	1,123,336
400	125,000
410	500,000
435	246,316
436	53,560
438	97,382
448	135,000

459	740,424
600	15,000,000
605	750,000
610	750,000
612	1,000,000
613	1,900,000
614	1,500,000
625	3,000,000
627	33,685,154
631	3,691,250
632	1,888,000
636	7,000,000
637	1,016,208
642	850,000
650	1,750,000
651	7,500,000
652	900,000
659	25,075,170
666	3,768,772
669	5,000,000

REPUBLIC OF CHINA NOTE

The Honorable
Cyrus R. Vance
Secretary of State

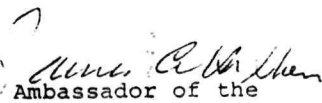
March 30, 1978

Excellency:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's Note of to-day's date which proposes, on behalf of the Government of the United States of America, an Interim Agreement relating to trade in cotton, wool and man-made fiber textiles and textile products between the Republic of China and the United States for the period from January 1, 1978 through June 30, 1978.

I have further the honor to confirm that your proposed Interim Agreement is acceptable to the Government of the Republic of China.

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.


Ambassador of the
Republic of China