

GENERAL AGREEMENT
ON TARIFFS AND
TRADE

ACCORD GENERAL SUR
LES TARIFS DOUANIERS
ET LE COMMERCE

CONFIDENTIAL
TEX.SB/350
7 December 1978

Textiles Surveillance Body

Organe de surveillance des textiles

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notifications under Article 4:4

Amendments to the bilateral agreement between the
United States and Poland

Note by the Chairman

The two attached notifications received from the United States mission concern amendments to the textiles agreement concluded between the United States and Poland.¹

¹For previous agreement see COM.TEX/SB/314.

ARRANGEMENT CONCERNANT LE COMMERCE INTERNATIONAL DES TEXTILES

Notifications conformément à l'article 4, paragraphe 4

Modifications de l'accord bilatéral entre les Etats-Unis
et la Pologne

Note du Président

La Mission des Etats-Unis a fait parvenir au secrétariat les deux notifications ci-jointes relatives à des modifications de l'accord sur les textiles, conclu entre les Etats-Unis et la Pologne¹.

¹Pour le texte initial de l'accord, voir le document COM.TEX/SB/314.

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UNITED STATES MISSION TO INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS
GENEVA, SWITZERLAND

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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 paragraph 4 of Article 4 of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles, I am instructed by my government to inform the TSB of the amendment of the bilateral cotton, wool and man-made fiber textile agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Polish People's Republic. The original agreement was notified to the TSB and subsequently circulated to the Textiles Committee as COM.TEX/SB/314 of 26 April 1978. The amendments were effected by an exchange of Notes on October 20, 1978.

The present amendment, as applicable to paragraph 5(b) of the bilateral, establishes: (a) a designated consultation level for category 334 (other cotton coats, men's and boys'); (b) a new sub-category 334 (part); and, (c) a new designated consultation level for category 359 (other cotton apparel). In the original agreement category 334 had been subject to the general cotton apparel consultation level of 700,000 syds. equivalent and category 359 to a designated consultation level of 1,518,000 syds. equivalent.

Annex B of the bilateral has been amended to reduce the specific limit for category 338 (cotton knit shirts, men's and boys') and to redefine an existing sub-category 338 (part) with different TSUSA numbers.

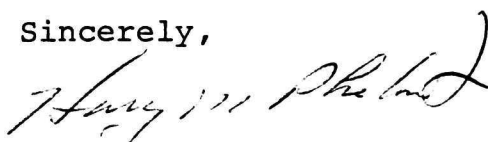
Further, Annex B of the bilateral has been amended to effect a correction of error (in the original agreement) in the conversion factors for categories 445 and 446 (wool sweaters).

The amendments reflect the recognition by the parties to the agreement of certain changes in the patterns of trade in certain items of cotton apparel. The significant increases in access resulting from the amendments to paragraph 5(b),

i.e., in categories where demand is increasing, and the off-setting reductions in the specific limit for category 338 bring the terms of the bilateral into closer relationship with present and anticipated patterns of trade without resulting in any significant change in the effective level of market access provided in the original agreement.

Attached is a copy of State Department Press Release No. 402 of October 26, 1978, which sets forth full texts of the Note exchange giving effect to the amendments.

Sincerely,



Harry M. Phelan, Jr.
Minister Counselor

Attachment:
As stated

October 26, 1978
No. 402

UNITED STATES AND THE POLISH
PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC AMEND
TEXTILE AGREEMENT

*Received
Nov 13, 1978*

The United States and the Polish People's Republic exchanged notes on October 19 and 20, 1978 respectively, to amend the existing bilateral textile agreement. The texts of the notes follow:

UNITED STATES NOTE

October 19, 1978

His Excellency
Romuald Spasowski
Ambassador of the Polish
People's Republic

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to the Agreement between the United States of America and the Polish People's Republic Relating to Trade in Cotton, Wool and Man-made Fiber Textiles, with Annexes, effected by exchange of notes January 6, and January 25, 1978, as amended, ("the Agreement"), and to discussions held in Washington, D.C. between representatives of our two countries October 6, 1978. As a result of those discussions, I propose that the Agreement be amended as follows:

1. Paragraph 5 (b) shall be amended to set out an additional category and a new sub-category and to establish new levels for the first Agreement Year (1978) as follows:

Category	Level (Square Yards Equivalent)
"334 - Other cotton coats, M and B	6,275,000
(334 Part, other than zippered sweatshirts currently in TSUSA 380.0611)	(700,000)"
"359 - Other cotton apparel	2,760,000"

2. Annex B shall be amended to establish a new level for the first Agreement Year (1978) and to align a sub-category's coverage with the Tariff Schedule of the United States Annotated (1978) as follows:

Category	Level (Square Yards Equivalent)
"338 - Cotton knit shirts, M and B	3,178,000
(338 Part, TSUSA 380.0651 and TSUSA 380.0652)	(1,300,000)"

3. Annex A shall be amended to establish new conversion factors as follows:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Conversion Factor</u>	<u>Unit of Measure</u>
445	Sweaters, M and B	14.88	DZ.
446	Sweaters, W, G and I	14.88	DZ.

If the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the Government of the Polish People's Republic, this note and your Excellency's note of confirmation on behalf of the Government of the Polish People's Republic shall constitute an Amendment to the Agreement.

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

For the Acting Secretary of State:

/S/ William Barraclough

POLISH NOTE

October 20, 1978

His Excellency
William G. Barraclough
Deputy Assistant Secretary of State
Department of State
Washington, D.C.

Excellency:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's note of October 19, 1978, which reads as follows:

See U.S. note.

I confirm that your proposal is acceptable to my Government and concur that Your Excellency's note and this note in reply constitute an amendment to the Agreement. .

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

/S/ Romuald Spasowski
Ambassador

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UNITED STATES MISSION TO INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS
GENEVA, SWITZERLAND

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December 4, 1978

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 TSB of a further amendment of the bilateral textile agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Polish People's Republic. The amendment which corrects an error in Annex B of the bilateral was effected by an exchange of Notes on May 26, 1978.

Attached hereto is a copy of State Department Press Release No. 427 of November 14, 1978 setting forth full texts of the Note exchange giving effect to the amendment.

Sincerely,

Harry M. Phelan, Jr.
Minister Counselor

Attachment:
As stated

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

November 14, 1978

No. 427

*Received
12/1/78*

UNITED STATES AND THE
POLISH PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC
AMEND TEXTILE AGREEMENT

The United States and the Polish People's Republic exchanged notes on April 3, 1978 and May 26, 1978 respectively, to amend the existing bilateral textile agreement.

UNITED STATES NOTE

April 3, 1978

His Excellency
Romuald Spasowski
Appointed Ambassador of the
Polish People's Republic

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to the Agreement regarding trade in cotton, wool and man-made fiber textiles and textile products between the Polish People's Republic and the United States of America (the Agreement) done by exchange of notes dated January 9, 1978 and January 12, 1978.

I have the honor to propose, on behalf of the Government of the United States of America, that the text of the Agreement be corrected so that the Annex B sub-category of category 635 shall be "not knit."

If the foregoing conforms with the understanding of the Government of the Polish People's Republic, this note and Your Excellency's note of confirmation on behalf of the Government of the Polish People's Republic shall constitute an amendment correcting the Agreement.

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

For the Secretary of State:

/S/ William Barraclough

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POLISH NOTE

May 26, 1978

The Honorable
The Secretary of State
Washington, D.C.

Excellency,

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your note of April 3, 1978 in which you propose that the text of the Agreement mentioned by Your Excellency be corrected so that the Annex B sub-category of category 635 shall be "not knit".

I have the honor to confirm that foregoing correction conforms to the understanding of the Government of the Polish People's Republic. Therefore, Your Excellency's note and this note of confirmation shall constitute an amendment correcting the Agreement.

Please accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

/S/ Romuald Spasowski