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Textiles Surveillance Body

Organe de surveillance des textiles

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4:4

Amendment to the Bilateral Agreement between the United States and India

Note by the Chairman

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

1 For details of the agreement and previous amendments see COM.TEX/SB/315, 340, 356 and 394.

ARRANGEMENT CONCERNANT LE COMMERCE INTERNATIONAL DES TEXTILES

Notification conformément à l'article 4:4

Modification de l'Accord bilatéral entre les Etats-Unis et l'Inde

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 bilatéral portant sur certains produits textiles, conclu entre les Etats-Unis et l'Inde.

¹ Pour le détail de l'accord et les modifications précédentes, voir les documents COM.TEX/SB/315, 340, 356 et 394.



UNITED STATES MISSION TO INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS GENEVA, SWITZERLAND

May 15, 1979

The Honorable
Ambassador Paul Wurth
Chairman, Textiles Surveillance Body
G.A.T.T.
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 Textiles Surveillance Body of the amendment of the cotton, wool and man-made fiber textile agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of India. The original bilateral agreement and prior amendments have been notified and circulated as COM.TEX/SB/315, 340, 356 and 394.

The amendment reflects the accession by the United States to a request by India for an increase in the consultation levels for 1978 in Categories 359 (other cotton apparel) and 666 (other man-made fiber manufactures). Category 359 was increased from 700,000 square yards equivalent to 2,000,000 square yards equivalent and Category 666 from 1,000,000 square yards equivalent to 2,500,000 square yards equivalent.

Attached hereto is a copy of State Department Press Release No. 53 setting forth full texts of the exchange of Notes giving effect to the amendment.

Sincerely,

Harry M. Phelan, Jr. Minister Counselor

Enclosure: as stated

February 28, 1979 No. 53

UNITED STATES AND INDIA AMEND TEXTILE AGREEMENT

The United States and India amended their bilateral textile agreement by means of the following:

UNITED STATES NOTE

January 12, 1979

His Excellency N. A. Palkhivala Ambassador of India

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to the agreement between the United States of America and India relating to trade in cotton, wool, and man-made fiber textiles and textile products, with Annexes, effected by exchange of notes December 30, 1977, as amended (hereinafter referred to as the Agreement), and to the note of December 14, 1978 from the Embassy of India to the Department of State.

I have also the honor to propose, on behalf of my government, the following new consultation levels for the 1978 agreement year:

Category 359 Category 666 2,000,000 square yards equivalent 2,500,000 square yards equivalent

If the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the Government of India, this note and Your Excellency's note of confirmation on behalf of the Government of India shall constitute an agreement amending the Acreement.

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

For the Secretary of State:

/S/ William Barraclough

INDIAN LETTER

February 8, 1979

Mr. William Barraclough
Deputy Assistant Secretary
 for International Trade Policy
U.S. Department of State
2201 C St. N.W.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Barraclough,

I have the honour to refer to the Agreement between India and the United States of America relating to trade in cotton, wool and man-made fibre textiles and textile products, to the note of December 14, 1978 from the Embassy of India to the Department of State and to your letter of January 12, 1979.

This is to confirm that the proposal contained in your letter of January 12, 1979, is acceptable to the Government of India.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

/S/ R. K. Jerath
Minister (Commerce & Supplies)