

GENERAL AGREEMENT
ON TARIFFS AND
TRADE

ACCORD GENERAL SUR
LES TARIFS DOUANIERS
ET LE COMMERCE

CONFIDENTIAL

TEX.SB/398
7 June 1979

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 Colombia

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 Colombia.

¹For details of the original agreement see COM.TEX/SB/410.

ARRANGEMENT CONCERNANT LE COMMERCE INTERNATIONAL DES TEXTILES

Notification conformément à l'article 4:4

Modification de l'accord bilatéral entre
les Etats-Unis et la Colombie

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 la Colombie.

¹Pour le texte initial de l'accord, voir le document COM.TEX/SB/410.



UNITED STATES MISSION TO INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS
GENEVA, SWITZERLAND

May 15, 1979

The Honorable
Ambassador Paul Wurth
Chairman, Textiles Surveillance Body
G.A.T.T.
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CH-1211 Geneva 21

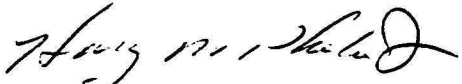
Dear Mr. Chairman:

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 bilateral cotton, wool and man-made fiber textile agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Colombia. The original agreement was notified and circulated as COM.TEX/SB/410.

The amendment represents the accession of the United States to a request by Colombia to exceed the consultation level for Category 444 (wool suits, women's, girls' and infants') for the first agreement year. The consultation level for this category (100,000 square yards equivalent) has been increased to 225,000 square yards equivalent.

Attached hereto is a copy of State Department Press Release No. 23 setting forth full texts of the exchange of Notes giving effect to the amendment.

Sincerely,


Harry M. Phelan, Jr.
Minister Counselor

Enclosure: as stated

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

January 30, 1979
No. 23

UNITED STATES AND COLOMBIA
AMEND BILATERAL TEXTILE
AGREEMENT

The United States and Colombia exchanged letters dated November 29, 1978 and December 24, 1978: to amend the existing bilateral textile agreement. The texts of the letters follow:

UNITED STATES LETTER
(INFORMAL TRANSLATION)

November 29, 1978

Senor Doctor
Hernando Arciniegas S.
Sub-Director de Exportaciones
Instituto Colombiano do Comercio Exterior
INCOMEX
Calle 28 No. 13-A-15
Bogota

Dear Dr. Arciniegas:

I refer to your letter of 6 October 1978 in which you requested authorization to exceed the consultation level for category 444 (wool dresses women's, girls and infants') established in the bilateral agreement for August 3, 1978 between our two governments relating to trade in cotton, wool and man-made fiber textiles.

In accordance with the terms of paragraph 7 of the agreement my Government proposes that the consultation level for category 444 for the first agreement year should be 225,000 square yards equivalent. If this proposal is acceptable to the Government of Colombia this letter and your letter of confirmation will constitute an amendment to the agreement.

Please contact me if I can be of any further help to you.

Sincerely,
/S/ George H. Thigpen
Consejero Economico/Comercial

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COLOMBIAN LETTER
(INFORMAL TRANSLATION)

24 December 1978

Senor
GEORGE H. THIGPEN
Consejero Economico/Comercial
Embajada de los Estados Unidos
Ciudad

Dear Mr. Thigpen:

In reference to your note number 719 of November 29, 1978, in which you propose raising the consultation level of category 444 for the first agreement year to 225,000 square yards equivalent, we agree.

My Government appreciates your cooperation in the solution of this problem.

Sincerely,
/S/ HERNANDO ARCINIEGAS S.
Subdirector de Exportaciones