

GENERAL AGREEMENT
ON TARIFFS AND
TRADE

ACCORD GENERAL SUR
LES TARIFS DOUANIERS
ET LE COMMERCE

CONFIDENTIAL

TEX.SB/399
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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 Yugoslavia

Note by the Chairman

The attached notification received from the United States mission concerns the conclusion of a new selective agreement covering certain men's and boys' suits between the United States and Yugoslavia.

ARRANGEMENT CONCERNANT LE COMMERCE INTERNATIONAL DES TEXTILES

Notification conformément à l'article 4:4

Accord bilatéral entre les Etats-Unis et la Yougoslavie

Note du Président

La Mission des Etats-Unis a fait parvenir au secrétariat la notification ci-jointe relative à la conclusion d'un nouvel accord sélectif portant sur certaines vêtements pour hommes et garçonnets, conclu entre les Etats-Unis et la Yougoslavie.



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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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 a new selective bilateral textile agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia. The new agreement which covers two categories (643 man-made fiber suits, men's and boys', and 443 wool suits, men's and boys'), was entered into following consultations between the parties conducted under provisions of the 1976 termination agreement (COM.TEX/SB/159).

The term of the new agreement shall be from January 1, 1978 through December 31, 1980. Wool and man-made fiber men's and boys' suits for the first agreement year are subject to a group limit of 152,400 units. Within the group limit, wool suits are subject to a specific limit of 92,400 units in the first agreement year. Growth of 6 percent is provided.

Flexibilities are provided in the form of swing, carry over and carry forward. Within the group, swing into the wool suit category is 5 percent with, of course, unlimited swing into the man-made fiber suit category. Carry over and carry forward in combinations are permitted up to a total of 11 percent with carry forward not to exceed 6 percent; being chargeable to the limit for the same product in the following year. Carry over is not available in the first agreement year nor is

carry forward available in the last agreement year. Additionally, 67 percent of the carry over from short fall in the group limit may be applied to the wool suit limit.

Attached is a copy of State Department Press Release No. 62 setting forth full texts of the exchange of Notes giving effect to the amendment.

Sincerely,

Harry M. Phelan, Jr.
Minister Counselor

Enclosure: as stated

March 9, 1979
No. 62

UNITED STATES AND YUGOSLAVIA
SIGN TEXTILE AGREEMENT

The United States and Yugoslavia exchanged notes dated October 26, 1978 and October 27, 1978 to effect a new bilateral textile agreement. The texts of the notes follow:

UNITED STATES NOTE

October 26, 1978

His Excellency
Metod Rotar
Federal Secretary for Foreign Trade
Kneza Milosa 26, 11000 Beograd
Thursday, October 26, 1978

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles, done at Geneva on December 20, 1973, as extended by Protocol done at Geneva on December 14, 1977 (The "Arrangement") and to the Agreement Regarding Trade in Textiles, of February 14, 1976, between the Government of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia and the Government of the United States of America (the "1976 Agreement").

I have also the honor to refer to consultations between representatives of the Government of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia and the Government of the United States of America held pursuant to the 1976 Agreement on May 4, 5 and 11, 1978 in Washington and on June 13, 1978 in Belgrade, concerning trade in men's and boys' wool and man-made fiber suits. On the basis of these consultations, and in accordance with the Arrangement, I have the honor to propose the following agreement between our two Governments:

1. For each calendar year (Agreement Year) during the period from January 1, 1978 through December 31, 1980, exports of men's and boys' wool and man-made fiber suits from Yugoslavia to the United States are subject to the limits set out in this agreement.

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2. Men's and boys' wool and man-made fiber suits as a group are subject to a group limit of 152,400 units during calendar year 1978 (the first Agreement Year January 1, 1978 through December 31, 1978). The group limit shall be increased by six percent annually for calendar years (Agreement Years) 1979 and 1980.
3. Within the group limits for each calendar year (Agreement Year), men's and boys' wool suits shall be subject to a specific limit. This limit, 92,400 units in the first calendar year (Agreement Year), shall be increased by one percent annually for calendar years 1979 and 1980.
4. During any calendar year (Agreement Year), and within the group limit for men's and boys' wool and man-made fiber suits for such calendar year (Agreement Year), as it may be adjusted pursuant to paragraph 5, the specific limit for men's and boys' wool suits as set out in paragraph 3 may be exceeded by not more than five percent. Adjustments made pursuant to this paragraph are in addition to those pursuant to paragraph 5.
5. During any calendar year (Agreement Year) exports may exceed the group limit by a maximum of 11 percent by allocating to such limit an unused portion of the corresponding limit for the previous calendar year (carry over) or a portion of the corresponding limit for the succeeding calendar year (carry forward), provided that carry over shall not be applied to calendar 1978 and carry forward shall not be applied to calendar year 1980. Carry over and carry forward together shall not exceed 11 percent of the receiving calendar year's group limit. Carry over shall not exceed the lesser of A) 11 percent of the receiving calendar year's group limit or B) the unused amount of the previous calendar year's group limit; up to 67 percent of such carry over utilized may be applied to the wool suit limit. Carry forward shall not exceed six percent of the receiving calendar year's limit and shall be charged to the limit for the same product for the succeeding calendar year. Adjustments made pursuant to this paragraph are in addition to those made pursuant to paragraph 4.
6. The two Governments will exchange statistics on exports and imports of men's and boys' wool and man-made fiber suits subject to this agreement on a monthly basis.

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If the foregoing conforms with the understanding of the Government of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, this Note and Your Excellency's Note of Confirmation on Behalf of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments.

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

/S/ Lawrence S. Eagleburger

YUGOSLAV NOTE

October 27, 1979

His Excellency
Mr. Lawrence Eagleburger
Ambassador of the United
States of America

Excellency,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of Your Excellency's Note dated October 26, 1978 concerning Agreement between the Governments of the Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia and the United States of America Regarding Yugoslav exports to the U.S. of men's and boys' wool and man-made fiber suits.

See U.S. Note.

I have the honour to inform You that the foregoing text is in accordance with the Position of my Government and that Your Excellency's note and this note in reply to it constitute the Agreement between the two governments, which shall enter into force after being approved by competent authorities of the two parties.

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my high consideration.

/S/ Metod Rotar
Federal Secretary for
Foreign Trade