

GENERAL AGREEMENT
ON TARIFFS AND
TRADE

ACCORD GENERAL SUR
LES TARIFS DOUANIERS
ET LE COMMERCE

CONFIDENTIAL

TEX.SB/431

30 August 1979

Textiles Surveillance Body

Organe de surveillance des textiles

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4:4

Amendments to the Bilateral Agreement between the
United States and India

Note by the Chairman

The attached notification received from the United States Mission concerns two further amendments to the bilateral agreement¹ covering certain textile products between the United States and India.

¹For details of the agreement and previous amendments see COM.TEX/SB/315, 340, 356, 394 and 439.

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 deux nouvelles modifications qui ont été apportées à l'accord bilatéral¹ sur certains produits textiles, conclu entre les Etats-Unis et l'Inde.

¹Pour le détail de l'accord et de ses modifications précédentes, voir les documents COM.TEX/SB/315, 340, 356, 394 et 439.

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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 TSB of two further amendments of the bilateral cotton, wool and man-made fiber textile agreement, as amended and extended, 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, 394 and 439.

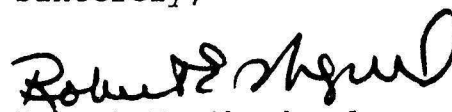
These amendments reflect agreement by the United States to an increase in the consultation levels for the 1979 Agreement Year in categories:

	<u>Original Agreement Level</u>	<u>1978 Agreement Year Level</u>
Category 335 (cotton coats)	700,000 Square Yard Equivalents (SYE)	1,000,000 SYE
Category 342 (cotton skirts)	700,000 SYE	1,750,000 SYE
Category 359 (other cotton apparel)	700,000 SYE	2,000,000 SYE
Category 442 (wool skirts)	100,000 SYE	150,000 SYE
Category 447 (wool trousers)	100,000 SYE	150,000 SYE

	<u>Original Agreement Level</u>	<u>1978 Agreement Year Level</u>
Category 627 (man-made fiber specialty fabrics)	1,000,000 SYE	3,000,000 SYE
Category 641 (man-made fiber blouses)	700,000 SYE	1,000,000 SYE
Category 666 (other man-made fiber furnishings)	1,000,000 SYE	2,500,000 SYE

Attached hereto are copies of State Department Press Release Nos. 146 dated May 31, 1979 and 169 dated July 11, 1979, setting forth the texts of the exchange of Notes giving effect to these amendments.

Sincerely,


Robert E. Shepherd

Enclosures:
As stated

May 31, 1979
No. 146

UNITED STATES AND INDIA
AMEND TEXTILE AGREEMENT

Handwritten signature/initials

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

UNITED STATES NOTE

May 7, 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 1979 agreement year:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Level In Square Yards Equivalent</u>
342	1,500,000
359	2,000,000
627	3,000,000
666	2,500,000

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 Agreement.

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

For the Secretary of State:

/S/ William Barraclough

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INDIAN NOTE

May 8, 1979

His Excellency
Cyrus R. Vance
Secretary of State

Excellency:

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 fiber textiles and textile products, with Annexes, effected by exchange of notes on December 30, 1977, as amended (hereinafter referred to as the Agreement), to the note of April 4, 1979 from the Embassy of India, and to Your Excellency's note of May 7, 1979.

On behalf of my Government, I have the honour to accept the proposals contained in Your Excellency's note of May 7, 1979.

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

For the Ambassador of India

/S/ R. K. Jerath

PRESS DEPARTMENT OF STATE

July 11, 1979
No. 169

*Review
July 30*



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

June 20, 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). I have also the honor to refer to recent discussions between representatives of the Government of the United States of America and the Government of India concerning exports to the United States of cotton, wool, and man-made fiber textiles and textile products manufactured in India. As a result of these discussions, I wish to propose that the Agreement be further amended as follows:

1. The consultation levels for five categories for the 1979 Agreement Year shall be adjusted as follows:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Consultation Level</u> (In Square Yards Equivalent)
335	1,000,000
342	1,750,000
442	150,000
447	150,000
641	1,000,000

2. Exports of cotton, wool, and man-made fiber textiles and textile products in shipments valued at \$250.00 or less and merchandise for the personal use of the importer and not for resale shall not be charged to the limits of the Agreement.

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2. Exports of cotton, wool and man-made fiber textiles and textile products in shipments valued at \$250.00 or less and merchandise for the personal use of the importer and not for resale shall not be charged to the limits of the Agreement.

3. Merchandise imported under the existing TSUSA numbers 360.05, 360.10, 360.15, 360.76, 360.78, 361.42, 361.44, and 361.54 is not subject to the terms of the Agreement.

4. Upon exchange of letters, a new administrative arrangement for a visa and certification system will supersede the existing one effected by exchange of letters of February 19, 1976, as amended.

5. This amendment shall supersede any provisions of the Agreement which are inconsistent with the provisions of their amendment.

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 amendment to the Agreement.

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

For the Secretary of State:

/S/ William Barraclough

INDIAN NOTE

June 20, 1979

Excellency:

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your note of June 20, 1979, which reads as follows:

" 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). I have also the honor to refer to recent discussions between representatives of the Government of the United States of America and the Government of India concerning exports to the United States of cotton, wool, and man-made fiber textiles and textile products manufactured in India. As a result of these discussions, I wish to propose that the Agreement be further amended as follows:

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2. Exports of cotton, wool and man-made fiber textiles and textile products in shipments valued at \$250.00 or less and merchandise for the personal use of the importer and not for resale shall not be charged to the limits of the Agreement.

3. Merchandise imported under the existing TSUSA numbers 360.05, 360.10, 360.15, 360.76, 360.78, 361.42, 361.44, and 361.54 is not subject to the terms of the Agreement.

4. Upon exchange of letters, a new administrative arrangement for a visa and certification system will supersede the existing one effected by exchange of letters of February 19, 1976, as amended.

5. This amendment shall supersede any provisions of the Agreement which are inconsistent with the provisions of this amendment.

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"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 amendment to the Agreement."

On behalf of my Government I confirm that the foregoing proposals correctly reflect the understandings reached between our two Governments, and that Your Excellency's note and this note shall constitute an amendment to the Agreement.

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

For the Ambassador of India



His Excellency

Cyrus R. Vance

Secretary of State

Washington D.C.