

GENERAL AGREEMENT
ON TARIFFS AND
TRADE

ACCORD GENERAL SUR
LES TARIFS DOUANIERS
ET LE COMMERCE

CONFIDENTIAL

TEX.SB/438

4 September 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 Thailand

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 Thailand.

¹For details of the original agreement and previous amendment see COM.TEX/SB/411 and 412.

ARRANGEMENT CONCERNANT LE COMMERCE INTERNATIONAL DES TEXTILES

Notification conformément à l'article 4, paragraphe 4

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

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 sur certains produits textiles en vigueur entre les Etats-Unis et la Thaïlande.

¹Pour le texte initial de l'accord et la modification précédente, voir les documents COM.TEX/SB/411 et 412.

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August 29, 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 TSB of further amendment of the bilateral cotton, wooland man-made fiber textile agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Royal Thai Government. The basic agreement and an earlier amendment have been notified and circulated as COM.TEX/SB/411 and COM.TEX/SB/412.

This amendment changes Category 638 (man-made fiber knit shirts) from a minimum consultation category to a specific limit for the 1979, 80, 81 and 82 agreement years and adjusts downward the specific limits for Category 639 (man-made fiber knit shirts and blouses) and 647/648 (man-made fiber trousers) for the same years.

This amendment also increases the consultation levels for Category 659 (other man-made fiber apparel) for the 1978 agreement year and the consultation levels for eight categories for the 1979, 80, 81 and 82 agreement years.

Categories: 313 (cotton sheeting), 314 (cotton broadcloth), 315 (cotton printcloth), 319 (cotton duck), 336 (cotton dresses), 613 (man-made fiber spun fabric), 640 (man-made fiber shirts), and 659 ("other man-made apparel").

The two governments also agreed to institute a visa and certification system as soon as practicable.

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Attached hereto is a copy of State Department Press Release No. 172 of 17 July 1979, setting forth full texts of the exchange of Notes giving effect to this amendment.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Shepherd

Enclosure:
As stated

July 17, 1979
No. 172

Received

UNITED STATES AND THAILAND
AMEND TEXTILE AGREEMENT

The United States and Thailand exchanged letters dated April 1 and May 8, 1979 to amend the existing bilateral textile agreement. The texts of the letters are as follows:

UNITED STATES LETTER

Khun Danai Tulalamba BANGKOK, THAILAND April 1, 1979
Deputy Director General
Department of Foreign Trade
Ministry of Commerce
Bangkok

Dear Khun Danai:

I refer to the arrangement regarding international trade in textiles, with annexes, done at Geneva on December 20, 1973, and extended by protocol adopted on December 14, 1977 at Geneva (hereinafter referred to as the Arrangement).

I also refer to our Bilateral Agreement Relating to Trade in Cotton, Wool and Man-made Fiber Textiles and Textile Products, with annexes, effected by exchange of notes October 4, 1978 as amended (the Agreement) and to recent discussions between representatives of our governments. As a result of these discussions and in conformity with Article 4 of the Arrangement, I propose that the Agreement be modified as follows:

1. A) Annex B shall be modified to include Category 638 and to adjust the limits for Categories 639 and 647/648 for the 1979, 1980, 1981 and 1982 Agreement years as follows:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Units</u>	<u>1979</u>	<u>1980</u>
638 knit shirts, M&B	DOZ	100,000	107,000
639 knit shirts and blouses W,G&I	DOZ	1,047,888	1,121,240
647/648 trousers	DOZ	342,962	366,969
<u>Category</u>	<u>Units</u>	<u>1981</u>	<u>1982</u>
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647/648 trousers	Doz	392,657	420,143

B) Annex B shall be corrected by removing the "M&B" which follows "334/335 coats."

2. No carryover shall be available for application to Category 638 during the 1979 Agreement year.

3. A) Annex C, as it applies to the 1979, 1980, 1981 and 1982 Agreement years, shall be modified to read as follows:

Designated Consultation Levels

<u>Category</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Level</u> (Square Yards Equivalent)
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314✓	Broadcloth	7,000,000
315✓	Printcloth	5,860,000
317	Twills and Sateens	5,600,000
319✓	Duck	5,000,000
320	Other fabric, N.E.S.	8,000,000
✓336	Dresses	1,000,000
613✓	Fabric, spun non-cell not knit	9,500,000
✓640	Shirts	1,000,000
✓659	Other Apparel	2,260,000

B) Annex C, as it applies to the 1978 Agreement year, shall be modified so as to establish a new level of 1,400,000 square yards equivalent for Category 659.

4. A visa and certification system shall be instituted by our Governments as soon as practicable to facilitate implementation of the Agreement.

If the foregoing is acceptable to your Government, this letter and your letter of confirmation serve to modify our Agreement accordingly.

Sincerely yours,



Don R. Kienzle
First Secretary of Embassy

THAILAND NOTE

8. May, 1979

Mr. Don R. Kienzle
 First Secretary
 Embassy of the United States of America
Bangkok

Dear Mr. Kienzle,

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I have great pleasure to confirm that the foregoing is acceptable.

Yours Sincerely,



(SRIINIVASAN)
Deputy Director General