

GENERAL AGREEMENT  
ON TARIFFS AND  
TRADE

ACCORD GENERAL SUR  
LES TARIFS DOUANIERS  
ET LE COMMERCE

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TEX.SB/454

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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 EEC and the Philippines

Note by the Chairman

The attached notification received from the Commission of the European Communities concerns an amendment to the initialled Article 4 agreement with the Philippines.<sup>1</sup> The amendment relates to new limits on exports from the Philippines with respect to category 6 to the United Kingdom.

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<sup>1</sup>For details of the existing agreement see COM.TEX/SB/452; see also TEX.SB/453.

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ARRANGEMENT CONCERNANT LE COMMERCE INTERNATIONAL DES TEXTILES

Notification conformément à l'article 4, paragraphe 4

Modification de l'accord bilatéral entre  
la CEE et les Philippines

Note du Président

La Commission des Communautés européennes a fait parvenir au secrétariat la notification ci-jointe relative à une modification de l'accord<sup>1</sup> paraphé qui a été négocié avec les Philippines au titre de l'article 4. Cette modification porte fixation de nouvelles limites aux exportations philippines de produits de la catégorie 6 à destination du Royaume-Uni.

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<sup>1</sup>Pour le détail de l'accord existant, voir le document COM.TEX/SB/452; voir également le document TEX.SB/453.

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Directorate-General for External Relations

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Brussels, 3 October 1979  
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Dear Mr Ambassador,

In connection with the European Economic Community's Agreement on trade in textile products with the Republic of the Philippines negotiated under Article 4 of the Arrangement and initialled on 31 December 1977, I have to inform you of the following :

During the course of 1978 imports of trousers from the Philippines into the United Kingdom exceeded 65.000 pieces, being the level at which the Community can ask for a restraint measure in respect of the region of the Community concerned under the provisions of Article 6 of the Agreement. The Community having deemed that there was real risk of market disruption in this case, the two sides held consultations on 12 and 13 October 1978 in pursuance of Article 12 of the Agreement. As a result of these consultations, and in conformity with the provisions of the Agreement, the Philippines agreed to limit exports to the United Kingdom as follows :

Category	Unit	Member State	1979	1980	1981	1982
6	1000 p.	UK	250	265	282	300

These new Limits contained in the agreed minute annexed to this letter, are herewith communicated under Article 4, Paragraph 4 of the Arrangement, as a modification to the Community's Agreement with the Republic of the Philippines.

Yours sincerely,  
*J.R. Beck*  
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Encl.

Agreed Minute

1. Representatives of the Republic of the Philippines and the European Economic Community met on 12 and 13 October 1978 and on 22 November 1978 in Brussels in connection with the implementation of the EC/Philippines bilateral Agreement on trade in textile products initialled on 31 December 1977.
2. As a result of these discussions, the Philippines agreed to limit their exports of trousers (Cat. 6, Minexc Positions 61.01-62,64,66,72,74,76 and 61.02-66,68,72) to the United Kingdom from 1979 to 1982 to the following levels:

1979	250.000	pairs
1980	265.000	pairs
1981	282.000	pairs
1982	300.000	pairs

3. It is the understanding of both parties that the provisions of the Agreement which concern exports of products under quantitative limitations set out in the Agreement and in particular the licencing procedures set out in Protocol A shall apply to exports of trousers as from 1 January 1979. From that date, the competent Philippines authorities will issue export licences and certificates of origin within the above-mentioned limits for all exports of trousers to the United Kingdom.

Brussels, 29 November 1978

