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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 United States and Singapore

Note by the Chairman

The attached notification received from the United States Mission concerns a further amendment to the bilateral agreement covering certain textile products, between the United States and Singapore.

For details of the agreement and previous amendments, see COM.TEX/SB/399, 400 and 464.

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 Singapour

Note du Président

La Mission des Etats-Unis a fait parvenir au secrétariat la notification ci-jointe relative à une nouvelle modification qui a été apportée à l'accord bilatéral sur certains produits textiles, conclu entre les Etats-Unis et Singapour.

Pour le détail de l'accord et des modifications précédentes, voir les documents COM.TEX/SB/399, 400 et 464.



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UNITED STATES MISSION TO INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS GENEVA, SWITZERLAND

October 17, 1979

The Honorable

Ambassador Paul Wurth

Chairman, Textiles Surveillance Body

G.A.T.T.

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Dear Mr. Chairman:

Pursuant to 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 cotton, wool and man-made fiber textiles agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Singapore. The original bilateral agreement and prior amendment have been notified and circulated as COM.TEX/SB/399, 400 and 464.

This amendment responds to a request from the Government of Singapore that the consultation levels for categories 315 (cotton printcloth) and category 613 (woven man-made fiber fabric) be increased from their previous levels of 1,000,000 square yards equivalent (SYE) each to 4,300,000 SYE and 5,000,000 SYE, respectively. The United States granted the request for category 315 for the 1979 agreement year and for category 613 for the 1979, 1980 and 1981 agreement years.

Attached hereto are copies of the letters giving effect to this amendment.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Shepherd

Enclosures:
As stated

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12 September, 1979

Mr Bill Tagliani State Department Textiles Office, Room 3333 Washington, DC

Dear Mr Tagliani

Further to our earlier telephone conversations, I confirm Singapore's request of 4 million Syd for Category 613 and 3.3 million Syd for Category 315 for 1979. There are discrepancies between our two sets of statistics in respect of 1979 utilisation levels for these categories. As such discrepancies have not been settled yet, the above request should not prejudice Singapore's position.

Yours sincerely,

(K P Wong)
Second Secretary

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Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to the Agreement between the United States of America and the Republic of Singapore Relating to Trade in Cotton, Wool and Man-Made Fiber Textiles and Textile Products, with Annexes, done at Washington September 21 and 22, 1978 as amended (the "Agreement").

I also have the honor to refer to your letter of September 12, 1979 to Mr. William Tagliani in which you request that the consultation levels for categories 315 and 613 be increased as follows:

Category 315 4,300,000 square yards equivalent
Category 613 5,000,000 square yards equivalent

I am pleased to inform you that my Government agrees to this request for the 1979 agreement year for category 315 and the 1979, 1980 and 1991 agreement years for category 613. This letter and your letter shall constitute an amendment to the Agreement.

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

For the Acting Secretary of State:

His Excellency,

Punch Coomaraswamy,

Ambassador of the Republic of Singapore.