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ON TARIFFS AND
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LES TARIFS DOUANIERS
ET LE COMMERCE

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Textiles Surveillance Body

Organe de surveillance des textiles

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 8:4

United States/Indonesia: Agreement on
an export visa system

Note by the Chairman

Attached hereto is a communication received from the United States pursuant to the provisions of Article 8:4. The notification relates to an agreement concluded between the United States and Indonesia for the establishment of an export visa system for exports to the United States of cotton, wool and man-made fibre apparel manufactured in Indonesia. The agreement does not contain any restraints.

ARRANGEMENT CONCERNANT LE COMMERCE INTERNATIONAL DES TEXTILES

Notification conformément à l'article 8, paragraphe 4

Etats-Unis/Indonésie: accord relatif à un système
de visas à l'exportation

Note du Président

Les Etats-Unis ont fait parvenir au secrétariat la communication ci-jointe, en application des dispositions de l'article 8, paragraphe 4. Cette notification concerne un accord conclu entre les Etats-Unis et l'Indonésie en vue de l'institution d'un système de visas pour les exportations à destination des Etats-Unis de vêtements de coton, de laine et de fibres synthétiques et artificielles fabriqués en Indonésie. L'accord ne prévoit aucune limitation.



UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE
GENEVA, SWITZERLAND

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February 8, 1980

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 8 of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles, I am instructed by my government to inform the Textiles Surveillance Body of an agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Indonesia to establish a visa system for exports to the United States of cotton, wool and man-made fiber apparel manufactured in Indonesia.

Attached hereto is an exchange of letters giving effect to this agreement.

Sincerely,


Robert E. Shepherd
Minister-Counselor

Enclosures:
as stated

UNITED STATES AND INDONESIA
ESTABLISH TEXTILE VISA SYSTEM

The United States and Indonesia exchanged letters dated October 1, 1979 and October 15, 1979 to establish a visa system for exports from Indonesia to the United States of America of cotton, wool and man-made fiber apparel manufactured in Indonesia. The texts of the letters follow:

UNITED STATES LETTER

Jakarta, Indonesia

October 1, 1979

Mr. Darry Salim
Director of International
Trade Relations
Department of Trade and
Cooperatives
Jl. Abdul Muis 87
Jakarta

Dear Mr. Salim:

I wish to propose on behalf of my Government that the following visa system be established for exports to the United States of America of cotton, wool and man-made fiber apparel manufactured in Indonesia:

1. Each shipment shall be accompanied by an export visa issued by the Republic of Indonesia. The export visa will be signed by an authorized official of the Republic of Indonesia and will appear as original stamped marking in blue ink on the front of the Special Customs Invoice Form 5515, successor document or commercial invoice when such form is issued.

2. The names of facsimile signatures of the officials authorized to issue export visas will be supplied by the Republic of Indonesia. The Republic of Indonesia will notify the Government of the United States of America of any changes of authorized officials, and will provide facsimiles of newly authorized officials' signatures. A minimum number of officials will be authorized to issue visas and certifications.
3. Shipments not accompanied by a valid visa in accordance with this letter, after the effective date of this requirement, shall be denied entry by the Government of the United States of America except upon specific request of the Republic of Indonesia.
4. The United States Government shall publish in the Federal Register this visa system upon receipt of the authorized visa stamp and signatures from the Republic of Indonesia. The visa system will be similar to the sample attached to this letter. The visa system will become effective 30 days after the date of publication for shipments exported from Indonesia on and after that date and 90 days after the date of publication for shipments exported from Indonesia before that date.
5. Either Government may terminate, in whole or in part, this administrative arrangement by giving 90 days written notice thereof to the other.
6. Merchandise for the personal use of the importer and not for resale does not require a visa for entry.

If the foregoing proposal is acceptable to your Government, this letter and your letter of acceptance on behalf of the Republic of Indonesia shall constitute an administrative arrangement between our two Governments.

Sincerely,

Henry Bardach
Counselor for Economic and
Commercial Affairs

INDONESIA LETTER

Mr. Henry Bardach,
Counselor for Economic and
Commercial Affairs,
Embassy of the United States
of America
J A K A R T A

Jakarta, October 15, 1979.

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to your letter today concerning an understanding on the proposal of the Government of the United States of America to establish a visa system for exports from Indonesia to the United States of America of cotton, wool and man-made fibre apparel manufactures in Indonesia and to confirm the result of discussion/consultation reached on the subject as follows :

1. Each shipment shall be accompanied by an export visa issued by the Republic of Indonesia. The export visa will be signed by an authorized official of the Republic of Indonesia and will appear as original stamped marking in blue ink on the front of the Special Customs Invoice Form 5515, successor document or commercial invoice when such form is issued.
2. The names of facsimile signatures of the officials authorized to issue export visas will be supplied by the Republic of Indonesia. The Republic of Indonesia will notify the Government of the United States of America of any changes of authorized officials, and will provide facsimiles of newly authorized officials' signatures. A minimum number of officials will be authorized to issue visas and certifications.
3. Shipments not accompanied by a valid visa in accordance with this letter, after the effective date of this requirement, shall be denied entry by the Government of the United States of America except upon specific request of the Republic of Indonesia.

4. The United States Government shall publish in the FEDERAL REGISTER this visa system upon receipt of the authorized visa stamp and signatures from the Republic of Indonesia. The visa system will be similar to the sample attached to this letter. The visa system will become effective 30 days after the date of publication for shipments exported from Indonesia on and after that date and 90 days after the date of publication for shipments exported from Indonesia before that date.
5. Either Government may terminate, in whole or in part, this administrative arrangement by giving 90 days thereof to the other.
6. Merchandise, for the personal use of the importer and not for resale does not require a visa for entry.

I further have the honour to confirm the following additional understanding reached between us during our talks which have taken place in Jakarta, on September 19, 1979, i.e. :

7. The Government of Indonesia will provide the Government of the United States of America, via the United States Embassy of America in Jakarta, with regular reports consisting of total figures of exports of goods to the United States of America and total visas issued during the corresponding period.
8. Whenever the competent United States authorities have reasonable doubt as to the accuracy of the information regarding the true origin of the products in question these authorities shall inform the competent authorities in Indonesia the reasons for an enquiry.
The result of the subsequent verification carried out in accordance with this procedure shall be communicated to the competent United States authorities as soon as possible.
9. The Government of Indonesia and the Government of USA agree to consult each other, at the request of either Party, if any problem should arise out of the implementation of these arrangements.

The foregoing provisions being acceptable, it is agreed that your letter together with this reply shall constitute an agreement between the two Government which shall enter into force on the date of this reply.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Sincerely,



Darry Salim

Director for External Trade Relations,
Department of Trade and Cooperatives.

Republic Of Indonesia
Textile Export Visa
No :
Date:
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Signature