

GENERAL AGREEMENT
ON TARIFFS AND
TRADE

ACCORD GENERAL SUR
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 4:4

Amendment to the Bilateral Agreement between
the EEC and Thailand

Note by the Chairman

The attached notification received from the Commission of the European Communities concerns a further amendment to the initialled Article 4 agreement with Thailand.¹ The amendment relates to new limits on exports from Thailand with respect to category 26 to Italy.

¹For details of the agreement and previous amendment see COM.TEX/SB/455, 486. See also TEX.SB/505.

ARRANGEMENT CONCERNANT LE COMMERCE INTERNATIONAL DES TEXTILES

Notification conformément à l'article 4, paragraphe 4

Modification de l'accord bilatéral entre la CEE
et la Thaïlande

Note du Président

La Commission des Communautés européennes a fait parvenir au secrétariat la notification ci-jointe relative à une nouvelle modification de l'accord¹ paraphé qui a été négocié avec la Thaïlande au titre de l'article 4. Cette modification porte fixation de nouvelles limites aux exportations thaïlandaises de produits de la catégorie 26 à destination de l'Italie.

¹Pour le détail de l'accord et les modifications précédentes, voir les documents COM.TEX/SB/455 et 486. Voir aussi le document TEX.SB/505.

COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES

Brussels, 7 February 1980
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Directorate-General for External Relations

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01103 Dear Mr Ambassador,

In connection with the European Economic Community's Agreement on trade in textile products with Thailand negotiated under Article 4 of the Arrangement and initialled on 1st of December 1977, I have to inform you of the following :

During the course of 1978 imports of dresses cat.(26) from Thailand into the Italian region of the Community exceeded 72.000 pieces, being the level at which the Community could ask for consultations with a view to establishing a limit 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 consulted on 15 November 1978 in pursuance of Article 13 of the Agreement. As a result of these consultations, and in conformity with the provisions of the Agreement, Thailand agreed to limit exports to Italy as follows :

Category	Unit	Member State	1978	1979	1980	1981	1982
26	1000 pieces	Italy	150	160	170	180	190

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 Thailand.

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Yours sincerely
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Agreed Minute

The Delegations of the Kingdom of Thailand and of the European Economic Community met on 15 November 1978 in Bangkok for consultations in accordance with Article 13 of the Agreement on trade in textiles between the Community and Thailand initialled on 1 December 1977 and applied de facto from 1 January 1978.

2. As a result of these consultations, Thailand agreed to limit its exports of dresses (Category No. 26, MISLNE positions 60.03 - 41; 42; 43; 44 and 61.02 - 48; 52; 53; 54) to Italy to the following levels:-

1978	:	150,000	pieces
1979	:	160,000	pieces
1980	:	170,000	pieces
1981	:	180,000	pieces
1982	:	190,000	pieces

3. It is the understanding of both parties that the provisions of the Agreement which concern exports of products subject to quantitative limits established in Annex II, in particular the licence procedures set out in protocol 1, shall apply to exports of dresses from Thailand to Italy from 15 November 1978. The Italian Authorities shall accept any shipment, within the quota established for 1978, leaving Thailand without export licences before 15 November 1978.

4. Thailand, in accordance with Article 4, paragraph 1 of the Agreement, notified the Community of its intention to apply a 5% advance use of a portion of 1979 quota in 1978.

Bangkok, 15 November 1978

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(Samsi Tulalamba)
Leader of the Delegation
of the Kingdom of Thailand

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(Karl-Friedrich Salferber)
Leader of the Delegation of the
European Economic Community