# ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

## GENERAL AGREEMENT 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 United States and Haiti

Note by the Chairman

The attached notification received from the United States mission concerns an amendment to the bilateral agreement between the United States and Haiti.

1 For details of the original agreement see COM.TEX/SB/497.

#### 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 Haïti

### Note du Président

La Mission des Etats-Unis a fait parvenir au secrétariat la notification ci-jointe relative à une modification qui a été apportée à l'accord bilatéral conclu entre les Etats-Unis et Haïti.1

Pour le détail de l'accord initial, voir le document COM.TEX/SB/497.





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#### UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

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May 1, 1980

ANSWERED

Chairman, Textiles Surveillance Body

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Dear Mr. Chairman:

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154, rue de Lausanne

Ambassador

G.A.T.T.

The Honorable Paul Wurth

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 Textiles Surveillance Body of the amendment of the cotton, wool and man-made fiber textile agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Haiti. The original bilateral agreement has been notified and circulated as COM. TEX/SB/497.

This particular amendment replaces the former specific limit of 992,708 dozen (4,765,000 square yards equivalent) for category 649 (man-made fiber brassiers) with a new specific limit of 1,168,819 dozen (5,610,331 sye) for the merged category 349/649 (cotton and man-made fiber brassiers). Whereas the previous limit on category 649 was accorded 7 percent growth, the level for merged category 349/649 will remain constant for each of the three agreement years.

By this amendment, the desire of Haiti for an immediate increase in quota for agreement year 1979-80 was balanced by establishing a fixed amount for both cotton and manmade fiber brassiers for the life of the agreement.

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

Sincerely,

Robert E. Shepherd Minister-Counselor

Enclosure

April 8, 1980 No. 78

#### UNITED STATES AND HAITI AMEND TEXTILE AGREEMENT

The United States and Haiti exchanged notes dated January 25, 1980 and March 3, 1980, respectively, to amend the bilateral textile agreement. The texts of the notes follow:

#### UNITED STATES NOTE

Port-au-Prince, January 25, 1930 \*

His Excellency Georges Salomon Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs Port-au-Prince

No. 18

Excellency:

I refer to the agreement between the United States of America and the Republic of Haiti relating to trade in cotton, wool, and man-made fiber textiles and textile products, with annexes, effected by exchange of notes August 17, 1979 in Port-au-Prince (the agreement) and to discussions between representatives of the Government of the United States of America and representatives of the Government of the Republic of Haiti held in Washington January 15 through 21, 1980.

Pursuant to the above discussions, I propose that the agreement be amended as follows:

1) Annex B of the agreement shall be amended

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to delete the specific limit on Category 649 and to replace it by a specific limit of 1,168,819 dozen (5,610,331 square yards equivalent) on merged category 349/649.

2) The first sentence of Paragraph 4 shall be deleted and replaced by the following two sentences: "For the second and third agreement years each specific limit, except the specific limit for merged Category 349/649, shall be increased by seven percent annually. The specific limit for merged Category 349/649 shall be the same in the second and third agreement years as it is in the first agreement year."

If the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the Government of Haiti, this note and your note of confirmation will constitute an amendment to the agreement, effective on the date of your confirmation.

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

/S/ William B. Jones
Ambassador

#### HAITI NOTE

#### INFORMAL TRANSLATION

#### Department of Foreign Affairs

EC/868

Port-au-Prince, March 3, 1980

Mr. Ambassador:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated January 18, 1980 which reads as follows:

I refer to the agreement between the United States of America and the Republic of Haiti relating to trade in cotton, wool, and man-made fiber textiles and textile products, with annexes, effected by exchange of notes August 17, 1979 in Port-au-Prince and to discussions between representatives of the Government of the United States of America and those of the Republic of Haiti held in Washington January 14 through 21, 1980.

"Pursuant to the above discussions, I propose that the agreement be amended as follows:

"1) Annex B of the agreement shall be amended to delete the specific limit on Category 649 and to replace it by a specific limit of 1,168,819 dozen (5,610,331 square yards equivalent) on merged category 349/649.

"2) The first sentence of Paragraph 4 shall be deleted and replaced by the following two sentences: "For the second and third agreement years each specific limit, except the specific limit for merged Category 349/649, shall be increased by seven percent annually.

"The specific limit for merged category 349/649 shall be the same in the second and third agreement year as it is in the first agreement year."

"If the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the Government of Haiti, this note and your note of confirmation will constitute an amendment to the agreement, effective on the date of your confirmation."

I am pleased to inform you that the Haitian Government agrees to the above mentioned proposals.

The note of the American Embassy and the note of confirmation of the Department of Foreign Affairs expressing the approval of the Haitian Government constitute then an amendment to the Agreement signed by both countries.

I take this opportunity to renew, Mr. Ambassador, the assurances of my highest consideration.

/S/ Georges Salomon Secretary of State

#### United States/Haiti (TEX.SB/516)

Original agreement:

COM.TEX/SB/497

Period of agreement:

1 May 1979-30 April 1982

Product coverage:

Cotton, wool, mmf.

#### Present notification

Merger of two categories 349, 649

Category 649 was under SL in original agreement

Category 349 was subject to consultation. The agreement has no MCL.

Previous SL for 649: 992,708 dozen or 4,765,000 SYE.

Growth 7%

New level for 349/649: 1,168,818 dozen or 5,610,331 SYE

Level for 349 therefore 845,331 SYE.

No growth for merged category.

Swing, carryover/carry forward provisions apply.