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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 4:4

Amendment to the Bilateral Agreement between
the EEC and the Philippines

Note by the Chairman

The attached notification received from the European Communities concerns an amendment to the Article 4 agreement with the Philippines.^{1/} The amendment relates to new limits on exports from the Philippines with respect to category 6 to the Community except for Benelux and the United Kingdom; category 8 to the Community except for France and the United Kingdom; and to category 21 except for France.

^{1/}For details of the existing agreement and previous amendments see COM.TEX/SB/452 and 483. See also TEX.SB/524.

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

Les Communautés européennes ont fait parvenir au secrétariat la notification ci-jointe relative à une modification de l'accord bilatéral^{1/} qu'elles ont conclu avec les Philippines au titre de l'article 4. Cette modification consiste à fixer de nouveaux plafonds aux exportations philippines de produits des catégories suivantes à destination de la Communauté: catégorie 6 (à l'exception du Benelux et du Royaume-Uni); catégorie 8 (à l'exception de la France et du Royaume-Uni) et catégorie 21 (à l'exception de la France).

^{1/}Pour le détail de l'accord existant et les modifications précédentes, voir les documents COM.TEX/SB/452 et 483. Voir aussi le document TEX.SB/524.

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Dear Mr Ambassador,

In connection with the European Economic Community's Agreement on trade in textile products with 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 1979 imports of trousers (Cat 6), shirts (Cat 8) and anoraks (Cat 21) from the Philippines into the EEC exceeded 286,000 p, 354,000 p and 495,000 p respectively, being the levels at which the Community can ask for consultations with a view to establishing a limit under the provisions of Article 6 of the Agreement. The Community having deemed that there was real risk of market disruption in these cases, the two sides consulted in October and November 1979 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 EEC as follows :

Category	Unit	Member State	1979 (1/11-31/12)	1980	1981	1982
6	000 p	EEC a)	400	2800	2912	3029
8	000 p	EEC b)	400	2800	2912	3029
21	000 p	EEC c)	400	2350	2461	2591

- a) except BNL/UK
- b) except F/UK
- c) except F

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 Philippines

Yours sincerely,

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3. The regional allocation of the agreed Community levies will be established by the Community in accordance with existing Community rules.

A provisional allocation between the regions of the Community has been indicated during the consultations. The final allocation will be the subject of a formal communication by the Community.

4. It is the understanding of both parties that the provisions of the Agreement which concern exports of products under quantitative limitations set out in Annex II to the Agreement and in particular the licensing procedures set out in Protocol A, shall apply to exports of the above-mentioned products from the Philippines to the Community as from 1 November 1979.
5. Upon the request of the Community, the Philippines agreed to suspend as from 20 November 1979, all further shipments to the United Kingdom and Ireland during the year 1979 of babies' knitted outer-garments (Category 71, Nimex Positions 60.05-06;07;08;09) and of babies' woven garments (Category 80, Nimex Positions 61.02-01;03; 61.02-03 and 61.04-09). It is understood that a solution for the years 1980 to 1982 will have to be found before the end of the year 1979.
6. In the course of the consultations, the problem of transshipments has been discussed by the two delegations. Possible solutions have been considered. It is the understanding of both parties that, in the course of further contacts on this matter, effective procedures to ensure the respect of the bilateral Agreement will be established.

Brussels, 16 November 1979



AGREED MINUTES

1. Delegations of the Republic of the Philippines and of the European Economic Community met from 5 to 10 October and from 6 to 16 November 1979 in Brussels for consultations in accordance with Articles 6 and 12 of the Agreement on Trade in Textile products between the Philippines and the Community initialled on 31 December 1977.

2. As a result of these consultations, the Philippines agreed to limit its exports of trousers (Category 6, Nimexe Position 61.01-62;64;66; 72;74;76 and 61.02-66;68;72), shirts (Category 8, Nimexe Position 61.03-11;15;19) and Parkas (Category 21, Nimexe Position 61.01-29; 31;32 and 61.02-25;26;28) to the Community from 1 January 1980 to 31 December 1982 to the following annual levels:

Unit: 1 000 pieces

	Category 6	Category 8	Category 21
1980	2 800	2 800	2 350
1981	2 912	2 912	2 468
1982	3 029	3 029	2 591

From 1 November to 31 December 1979, the Philippines will limit its exports of the categories concerned to the following levels:

Unit: 1 000 pieces

1979	Category 6	Category 8	Category 21
1 Nov. -	400	400	400
31 Dec.			

The Community levels for 1979 do not include those Member States for which limitation levels have previously been accepted.