

**GENERAL AGREEMENT
ON TARIFFS AND
TRADE**

**ACCORD GENERAL SUR
LES TARIFS DOUANIERS
ET LE COMMERCE**

CONFIDENTIAL

TEX.SB/577

18 September 1980

Textiles Surveillance Body

Organe de surveillance des textiles

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4

Amendment to the Bilateral Agreement concluded
between the United States and the Philippines

Note by the Chairman

The attached notification received from the United States relates to an amendment to its textiles agreement¹, concluded under Article 4 of the Arrangement with the Philippines.

¹For original agreement and previous amendment see COM.TEX/SB/421 and 492.

ARRANGEMENT CONCERNANT LE COMMERCE INTERNATIONAL DES TEXTILES

Notification conformément à l'article 4

Modification de l'accord bilatéral entre les
Etats-Unis et les Philippines

Note du Président

Les Etats-Unis ont fait parvenir au secrétariat la notification ci-jointe relative à une modification de l'accord sur les textiles¹ qu'ils ont conclu avec les Philippines au titre de l'article 4 de l'Arrangement.

¹Pour le texte de l'accord initial et les modifications précédentes, voir les documents COM.TEX/SB/421 et 492.



UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE
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GENEVA, SWITZERLAND
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September 5, 1980

The Honorable Paul Wurth
Ambassador
Chairman, Textiles Surveillance Body
GATT
154, rue de Lausanne
CH-1211 Geneva 21

Dear Mr. Chairman:

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 the Republic of the Philippines.

The original bilateral agreement and a prior amendment have been notified and circulated as COM.TEX/SB/421 and 492.

This particular amendment creates a new merged category for traditional man-made fiber sweaters (category 645/646T) in order to solve problems of classification and overshipment which arose during the 1979 agreement year.

The delay in notifying this amendment to the TSB was occasioned by transmission delays among the various U.S. offices involved. We hope to correct such problems for the future.

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

Sincerely,

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Robert E. Shepherd
Minister-Counselor

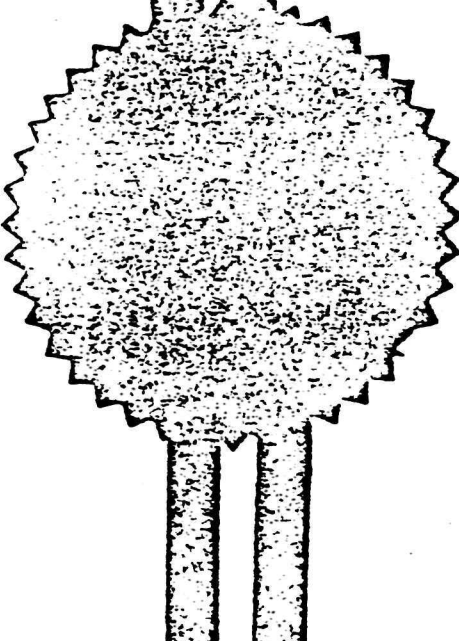
Enclosures

Republic of the Philippines)
City of Manila : SS:
Embassy of the United States of America)

I, Gerald D. Gregory, Vice Consul of the United States of America at Manila, Philippines, duly commissioned and qualified, do hereby certify that attached Xerox copy of the Embassy's Note Verbale No. 491 dated September 4, 1979 is a true and faithful copy of a carbon copy initialed by A. J. Williams and E. J. Rankin.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the American Consular Services at Manila, Philippines, this 26th day of September, 1979.


Gerald D. Gregory
Vice Consul of the United States of
America



Manila, September 4, 1979

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles, with annexes, done at Geneva on December 20, 1973, and extended by a protocol adopted on December 14, 1977 at Geneva (The Arrangement). I also have the honor to refer to the United States - Philippine Agreement Relating to Trade in Cotton, Wool and Man-made Fiber Textiles and Textile Products, with annexes, affected by exchange of notes dated August 11, 1978. On behalf of the Government of the United States of America, I propose the following:

My Government agrees to create a new category, 645/646T to replace Category 646T. The new merged category will have the same specific levels for the life of the agreement as those previously provided for 646T.

The overshipment of Category 645/646NT in 1978 was 39,117 dozens. The difference between the level of this overshipment and 30,000 dozens, or 9,117 dozens, will be charged against the 1979 specific limit for

His Excellency

Carlos P. Romulo,

Minister of Foreign Affairs,

Manila.

specific limit for Category 646T is currently 206,081 dozens, the amended level for merged Category 645/646T will be 196,964 dozens.

The remaining 30,000 dozens from the 1978 overshipment of Category 645/646NT will be charged against Category 645/646NT in equal annual installments over a period of six years beginning with 1980. During the three years of the current agreement beginning with 1980, the limitation levels for Category 645/646NT will, thus, be as follows:

1980 - 84,264 dozens

1981 - 86,942 dozens

1982 - 89,700 dozens

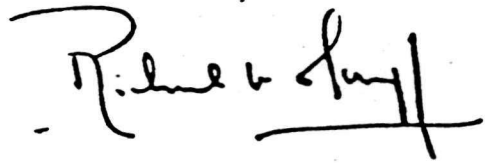
Since the provisions of this amendment extend beyond the life of the current bilateral agreement, our two Governments agree that, should the existing bilateral textile agreement not be renewed, the entire residual of the 1978 overshipment will be charged against the specific limit for Category 645/646NT for 1982, the final year of the present agreement.

The Government of the Republic of the Philippines recognizes the right of the Government of the United States of America to use the Tariff Schedules of the United States Annotated, to administer the traditional and non-traditional apparel categories found in Annex B of the United States - Philippine Bilateral Textile Agreement.

If the foregoing is acceptable to the Government of the Republic of the Philippines, this note and your Excellency's note of confirmation on behalf of

the Government of the Republic of the Philippines shall constitute an agreement between the Governments of the United States of America and of the Republic of the Philippines amending the agreement accordingly.

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

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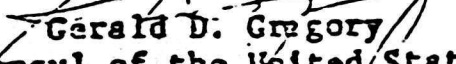
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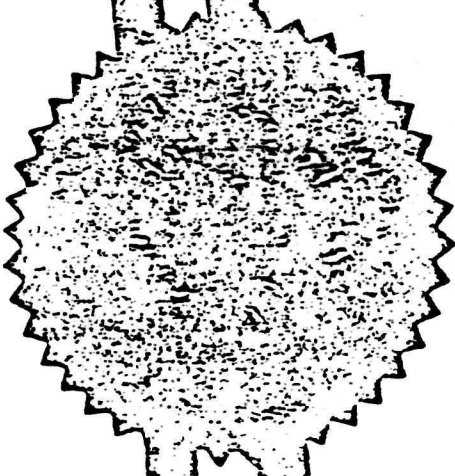
EMBASSY OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Republic of the Philippines)
City of Manila) ss:
Embassy of the United States of America)

I, Gerald D. Gregory, Vice Consul of the United States of America at Manila, Philippines, duly commissioned and qualified, do hereby certify that the attached Xerox copy of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs' Note No. 20822 dated September 12, 1979, is a true and faithful copy of the original.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the American Consular Services at Manila, Philippines, this 26th day of September, 1979.


Gerald D. Gregory
Vice Consul of the United States of
America



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Excellency:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your Excellency's
20422 Note No. 491 dated 4 September 1979 which reads as follows:

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

I have the honor to confirm on behalf of the Philippine Government that the proposals as contained in your Excellency's note are acceptable to the Philippine Government and this note and your Note No. 491 of 4 September 1979 shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments thus amending the Agreement effected by Exchange of Notes on 11 August 1978 accordingly.

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.



MANUEL COLLANTES
Acting Minister for Foreign Affairs

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