Textiles Surveillance Body

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4:4

Modification of the Bilateral Agreement between the United States and Korea

The Textiles Surveillance Body has received a notification from the United States of a further modification to their bilateral agreement with Korea, concluded under Article 4 of the MFA. The parties agreed to (a) an adjustment of the 1984 limit for polypropylene bags (Category 669-P) and (b) to the inclusion of man-made fibre luggage (Category 670-L) and subject to a specific limit superseding the Article 3:5 measure taken by the United States.

The TSB, pursuant to its procedures regarding bilateral agreements notified under Article 4³, has examined the relevant documentation and is forwarding the text of the notification to participating countries for their information.

The original bilateral agreement and previous modifications are contained in COM.TEX/SB/860, 889, 914, 941 and 969

²See COM.TEX/SB/953, 978 and 983

³See COM.TEX/SB/35, Annex B

^{*} English only/Anglais seulement/Inglés solamente

UNITED STATES AND REPUBLIC OF KOREA AMEND BILATERAL TEXTILE AGREEMENT

The United States and the Republic of Korea exchanged letters dated 26 July and 27 July 1984 to amend the existing bilateral textile agreement. The text of the letters follow:

UNITED STATES LETTER

Washington, 26 July 1984

Mr. Deuk Hwan Yu Commercial Attaché Embassy of Korea 2320 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20008

Dear Mr. Yu

I refer to our Governments' Agreement on Trade in Cotton, Wool and Man-Made Fibre Textile and Textile Products (the Agreement) and to my Governments' request for consultations on man-made fibre luggage pursuant to Article 3 of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles, with annexes, done at Geneva on 20 December 1973, and extended by Protocol adopted on 22 December 1981 at Geneva, concerning exports from Korea to the United States of man-made fibre luggage. I also refer to the Memorandum of Understanding initialled by representatives of our Governments on 20 July 1984 in Washington.

It is the understanding of my Government that the following was agreed during consultations held in Washington, D.C. on 17-20 July 1984:

- 1. The 1984 specific limit for Category 669-P (polypropylene bags) shall be 3,587,500 pounds, with 2.5 per cent annual growth for the remainder of the Agreement.
- 2. Man-made fibre luggage shall be administered under the Agreement as part-Category 670-L subject to a specific limit as follows:

| Category | Description | Conversion Factor | Unit of Measure |
|----------|---------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| 670-L | Luggage (TSUSA Nos. | 2.0 | Pounds |
| | 706.4144, 706.4152) | | • |

During the period 1 March-31 December 1984, the Government of the Republic of Korea shall limit exports from Korea to the United States of Category 670-L to 25,600,000 pounds. For 1985, the limit for Category 670-L shall be 22,000,000 pounds, with 2.5 per cent annual growth for the remainder of the Agreement.

3. Category 670-L shall be incorporated into the visa and certification arrangement between our two Governments.

I would appreciate your confirmation that the above corresponds to the understanding of your Government.

Sincerely,

James T. Schollaert
Acting Chief, Textiles Division
Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs

KOREAN LETTER

Washington, 27 July 1984

James T. Schollaert Acting Chief, Textiles Division Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs Department of State Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mr. Schollaert

With reference to your letter of 26 July 1984, I am pleased to confirm that the following conforms to the understanding of my Government:

- 1. The 1984 specific limit for Category 669-P (polypropylene bags) shall be 3,587,500 pounds, with 2.5 per cent annual growth for the remainder of our Governments' Agreement on Trade in Cotton, Wool and Man-Made Fibre Textile and Textile Products (the Agreement).
- 2. Man-made fibre luggage shall be administered under the Agreement as part-Category 670-L subject to a specific limit as follows:

| Category | Description | Conversion Factor | Unit of Measure |
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During the period 1 March-31 December 1984, the Government of Korea shall limit exports from Korea to the United States of Category 670-L to 25,600,000 pounds. For 1985, the limit for Category 670-L shall be 22,000,000 pounds, with 2.5 per cent annual growth for the remainder of the Agreement.

3. Category 670-L shall be incorporated into the visa and certification arrangement between our two Governments.

Sincerely,

Deuk Hwan Yu Commercial Attaché