

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Article 3 Notifications

Agreement Between Australia and India

The TSB has received from the Government of Australia a notification of an agreement between Australia and India concerning trade in certain textile items. This agreement has been notified by Australia under Article 3, paragraph 4, of the Arrangement.

The TSB has examined the relevant documentation¹, and has found that this agreement is in conformity with the provisions of the Article under which it is notified, as well as with the other provisions of the Arrangement.

The TSB is circulating this notification to participating countries in the Arrangement for their information.

¹In reviewing the notification, the TSB had before it the supporting evidence for the restraints negotiated which was provided by Australia.

Memorandum of Understanding

This Memorandum of Understanding sets out the arrangements that have been made between the Government of Australia and the Government of India regarding the exports of mill-made woven dresses for women and girls (ex Tariff Item No. 61.02.1) and mill-made woven blouses and shirts for women, girls and infants (ex Tariff Item Nos. 61.02.3 and 61.04.2), predominantly of cotton by weight, for importation into Australia.

2. In making these arrangements, both Governments have had regard to the provisions of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles.

3. The arrangements apply to India's exports to Australia of the items listed in Annex I to this Memorandum during the period 1 July 1974 to 30 June 1975. The Government of India will limit exports of these items to Australia to the levels set out in Annex I.

4. These arrangements do not apply to India's exports to Australia of hand-made cottage industry products made of handloom fabrics or to traditional folklore handicraft textile products, provided that such products are certified to Australia's satisfaction.

5. The Government of Australia may refuse to admit imports of the items of Indian origin listed in Annex I unless such imports are covered by an Indian export certificate issued by the Cotton Textiles Export Promotion Council, India, (which is the authority designated by the Government of India for this purpose) and debited to the limits set out in Annex I.

6. The Government of India will provide the Government of Australia with quarterly statistics of exports of the items listed in Annex I that have been certified for export to Australia and debited to the limits set out in Annex I.

7. The Government of Australia will provide the Government of India with monthly statistics of total imports, and imports from India and from other significant suppliers, of each of the items listed in Annex I.

8. The Government of India and the Government of Australia will consult together, at the request of either, on any matter arising from the implementation of these arrangements.

9. If the Government of India considers that, as a result of the implementation of these arrangements, India is being placed in an inequitable position vis-à-vis any third country, the Government of India may request the Government of Australia to consult with a view to appropriate remedial action.

10. The Annex to this Memorandum shall be considered as an integral part of it.

(Signed)
(MANI NARAYAN SWAMI)
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Ministry of Commerce
For the Government of India

(Signed)
(E.B. DILLON)
Australian Trade Commissioner
For the Government of
Australia

New Delhi,
3 September 1974.

ANNEX I

Restrained Items and Limits

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
Item No.	Australian Tariff Item No.	Description	Limit in pieces
1.	ex 61.02.3 ex 61.04.2	Blouses and shirts, woven, women's, girls' and infants', predominantly of cotton by weight.	1,150,000
2.	ex 61.02.1	Dresses, woven, women's and girls', predominantly of cotton by weight.	275,000

Note: These items and limits do not include hand-made cottage industry products made of handloom fabrics or traditional folklore handicraft textile products.