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ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Article 4 Notifications

Agreement between Australia and the Republic of Korea

The TSB has received from the Government of Australia a notification of an agreement between Australia and the Lepublic of Korea concerning trade in textiles.

Since there was no specific mention in this agreement of the Article of the Arrangement under which it was concluded, the TSB held the view that this agreement falls within the provisions of Article 4.

The TJB has examined this agreement under this Article and is circulating it to participating countries in the Arrangement for their information.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

- 1. This Memorandum of Understanding sets out the arrangements that have been made between the Government of the Republic of Korea and the Government of Australia regarding the limits that the Government of the Republic of Korea will apply to exports of certain garments from the Republic of Korea 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 restraint arrangements apply to the Republic of Korea's exports to Australia of the items listed in Annex I to this Memorandum during the period 1 January 1975-31 December 1975. The Government of the Republic of Korea will limit exports of these items to Australia to the levels set out in Annex I, save as provided for in paragraph 4.
- 4. Exports may exceed the limits for any item by not more than 7 per cent; provided that corresponding reductions are applied in other items, it being understood that the total exports subject to restraint will not exceed the aggregate level for all products so restrained on the basis of a common unit. For this purpose the square yard conversion factors listed in column (e) of Annex I will apply.
- 5. The Government of Australia may refuse to admit imports from the Republic of Korea of the items listed in Annex I unless such imports are covered by an export visa issued by the Government of the Republic of Korea to the effect that the consignments concerned have been debited to the limits set out in Annex I.
- 6. The Government of the Republic of Korea will provide the Government of Australia with monthly statistics of exports of the items listed in Annex I that have been licensed for export to Australia and debited to the limits set out in Annex I.
- 7. In relation to the goods listed in Annex II, the Government of the Republic of Korea will provide the Government of Australia with monthly statistics relating to the quantities shipped to Australia and any export licences issued for later shipment to Australia during the period 1 January 1975 to 31 December 1975.

- 8. The Government of Australia will provide the Government of the Republic of Korea with monthly statistics of total imports, and imports from the Republic of Korea and from other significant suppliers, of each of the items listed in Annex I and Annex II.
- 9. The Government of the Republic of Korea and the Government of Australia will consult together, at the request of either on any matter arising from the implementation of these arrangements, and either Covernment may, at any time, propose revisions to their terms. In particular in relation to the goods listed in Annex II, the Republic of Korea shall if requested consult with the Government of Australia with a view to reaching an arrangement on restraint for the goods concerned. Pending the conclusion of such consultations, the Government of the Republic of Korea will consider any request by the Government of Australia to suspend the issue of export licences for the goods concerned.
- 10. If the Government of Australia in the light of its desire to ensure the orderly and equitable development of trade with Australia in textiles, considers that, as a result of the application of the arrangements, there is undue concentration of exports, or the possibility thereof, in any particular product, the Government of Australia may request the Government of the Republic of Korea to consult with a view to remedial action such as a reasonable modification of these arrangements.
- 11. If the Government of the Republic of Korea considers that, as a result of the implementation of these arrangements, the Republic of Korea is being placed in an inequitable position vis-à-vis any third country, the Government of the Republic of Korea may request the Government of Australia to consult with a view to appropriate remedial action.
- 12. Arrangements will be entered into which are acceptable to both parties to this Memorandum of Understanding which will identify by means of export visas or similar documentation goods which are exported from Korea to Australia in accordance with the terms of this Memorandum of Understanding.
- 13. The Annex to this Memorandum shall be considered as an integral part of it.

For the Government of the Republic of Korea

For the Government of Australia

ANNEX I

Restrained Items and Limits

(b)	(c)	(b)	(e)
Australian tariff item number	Description	Limit in pieces	Conversion factor from dozen to equivalent square yards
ex 60.05.1	Knitted coats, jumpers, cardigans, sweaters, pullovers and the like, knitted blouses and the like, knitted shirts (outerwear) and the like	2,645,000	36.8 sq.yd./doz. in respect of knitted coats and 18.36 sq.yd./doz. in respect of other items
ex 60.05.1	Knitted dresses	166,175	45.3 sq.yd./doz.

ANNEX II

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Items Subject to Review

(a)	(b)	(c)	
Item number	Australian tariff item number	Description	
1	ex 60.05.1	Tracksuits, playsuits, rompersuits, and the like with chest measurements 86 cm. or more	
2	ex 60.05.1	Tracksuits, playsuits, rompersuits, and the like with chest measurements less than 86 cm.	