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ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Article 4 Notifications

Agreement between Austria and Pakistan

The Textiles Surveillance Body (TSB) has received from the Government of AUSTRIA a notification of an agreement between Austria and Pakistan concerning trade in textiles. This agreement has been notified by Austria under Article 4, paragraph 4, of the Arrangement.

The TSB, pursuant to its procedure regarding bilateral agreements notified under Article 4¹ has examined the relevant documentation. The TSB is circulating the text of this agreement to participating countries in the Arrangement for their information.

¹See COM.TEX/SB/35, Annex B.

Note No. 1

5 December 1974

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to the ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES (hereinafter referred to as the ARRANGEMENT) done in Geneva on 20 December 1973.

I also refer to the negotiations which took place in Vienna on 11 and 12 November 1974 between a delegation of Austria and a delegation of Pakistan. As a result of these negotiations the following agreement concerning imports of cotton textiles from Pakistan into Austria has been reached under Article 4 of the ARRANGEMENT.

1. Restraint levels in metric tons for twelve-month period beginning:

	<u>1 Jan.1974</u>	<u>1 Jan.1975</u>	<u>1 Jan.1976</u>	<u>1 Jan.1977</u>
Cotton textiles as indicated in BTN Chapters ex 55, ex 60, ex 61, ex 62	308	330	353	378

2. The restraint levels may be exceeded in the case of shortfalls by a carry-over of not more than 10 per cent, and by a carry-forward of not more than 5 per cent.

3. Cotton textiles imported from Pakistan into Austria for re-export after processing shall not be charged against the restraint levels.

4. Upon presentation of export authorizations issued by the Pakistani authorities on the basis of irrevocable letters of credit for the direct and/or indirect exports to Austria of cotton textiles of Pakistan origin the competent Austrian authority will license the corresponding imports within a period of three weeks. Import licences issued by the Austrian authority during the period beginning 1 January 1974 and 5 December 1974 shall be deducted from the levels agreed upon for the twelve-month period beginning 1 January 1974.

5. The provisions under paragraph 4 concerning the presentation of export authorizations issued by the Pakistani authorities will enter into force on 1 January 1975. Consequently the competent Austrian authority will issue licences up to the end of the year 1974 also without export authorizations granted by the Pakistani authorities.

6. An undue concentration of imports of cotton textiles from Pakistan into Austria as regards a special article and/or time shall be avoided. Accordingly, the Government of Pakistan will use its influence to achieve this aim.

7. Consultations regarding the conduct of exports of cotton textiles from Pakistan to Austria will be held if so desired by either party.

I should be grateful if you would kindly confirm that this letter sets out correctly the understanding reached between the delegations of the two countries.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Rudolf Willenpart m.p.
Director

H.E. Mr. Gul Hassan Khan
Ambassador of Pakistan
Vienna.

Note No. 2

5 December 1974

Dear Mr. Director,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Note No. 74.1974-I/4/74^{1/} dated 5 December 1974 concerning imports of cotton textiles from Pakistan into Austria and the Article 4 of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles. I have the honour to confirm that this Note sets out correctly the understanding reached between our two countries.

Please accept the assurances of my highest consideration.

Gul Hassan Khan

Mr. Rudolf Willenpart,
Director,
Federal Ministry for Trade,
Commerce and Industry,
Vienna

Note No. 3

5 December 1974

Sir,

I have the honour to refer to the ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES (hereinafter referred to as the ARRANGEMENT) done in Geneva on 20 December 1973 and to the negotiations which took place in Vienna on 11 and 12 November 1974 between a delegation of Austria and a delegation of Pakistan concerning a CERTIFICATE IN REGARD TO HANDLOOM FABRICS OF THE COTTAGE INDUSTRY, OR HAND-MADE COTTAGE INDUSTRY PRODUCTS OF SUCH HANDLOOM FABRICS provided for under Article 12 paragraph 3 of the said ARRANGEMENT.

As a result of these negotiations the following definition for the term handloom fabrics of the cottage industry, or hand-made cottage industry products of such handloom fabrics has been agreed upon:

It is understood that the term "handloom fabrics of the cottage industry, or hand-made cottage industry products of such handloom fabrics, or traditional folklore handicraft textiles products" as set out in Article 12 paragraph 3 of the ARRANGEMENT refers to hand-woven, hand-sewn, hand-knitted, hand-crocheted, hand-embroidered and hand-knotted products of the cottage industry.

A specimen of the Certificate mentioned above is attached.

I should be grateful if you would kindly confirm that this letter sets out correctly the understanding reached between the delegations of the two countries.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Rudolf Willenpart m.p.
Director

H.E. Mr. Gul Hassan Khan
Ambassador of Pakistan
Vienna.

CERTIFICATE IN REGARD TO HANDLOOM FABRICS OF THE COTTAGE
INDUSTRY, OR HAND-MADE COTTAGE INDUSTRY PRODUCTS OF SUCH
HANDLOOM FABRICS

The Government of Pakistan, Ministry of Commerce, Export Promotion Bureau, or its branch offices, certifies that the consignment described below includes only handloom fabrics of the cottage industry, or hand-made cottage industry products of such handloom fabrics, or traditional folklore handicraft textiles products, that these fabrics or products are of Pakistani manufacture and are exported from Pakistan to Austria.

1. Name and address of the exporter in Pakistan
2. Name and address of the importer in Austria
3. Port or airport of dispatch
4. Ship
5. Bill of lading
6. Port of transit or airport of destination
7. Quantity and description of the fabric or product
8. Sample of the above fabric or product is attached

Note No. 4

5 December 1974

Dear Mr. Director,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your Note No. 74.974-I/4/74^{1/} dated 5 December 1974 concerning a certificate in regard to handloom fabrics of the cottage industry, or hand-made cottage industry products of such handloom fabrics provided for under Article 12 paragraph 3 of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles. I have the honour to confirm that this Note sets out correctly the understanding reached between our two countries.

Please accept the assurances of my highest consideration.

Gul Hassan Khan

Mr. Rudolf Willenpart,
Director,
Federal Ministry for Trade,
Commerce and Industry,
Vienna.

^{1/} Note No. 3 of this document