

# GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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## ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

### Notifications Under Article 2, paragraphs 2(ii) and 4

#### Interim Bilateral Agreements Between the United States and Malaysia

Attached is a notification received by the Textiles Surveillance Body (TSB) from the United States under the provisions of Article 2, paragraph 2(ii) and paragraph 4, last sentence, of the Textiles Arrangement concerning the interim bilateral agreements with Malaysia. In accordance with paragraph 5 of Article 2, the TSB has reviewed this notification and has found that the agreements are in conformity with the Arrangement. The TSB is circulating this notification to participating countries in the Arrangement for their information.

UNITED STATES AND MALAYSIA  
EXTEND TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

On 23 and 27 December 1974, notes were exchanged in Kuala Lumpur to extend the bilateral agreements on trade in cotton textiles and on trade in wool and man-made fibre textiles between the United States and Malaysia. Texts of the notes follow:

UNITED STATES NOTE EXTENDING COTTON AGREEMENT

23 December 1974

Excellency:

I have the honour to refer to the Cotton Textile Agreement between our two Governments effected by exchange of notes on 8 September 1970. As a result of recent discussions between representatives of our Governments, I have the honour to propose that the aforementioned Agreement be amended and extended as provided in the following paragraphs:

A. The first sentence of paragraph 1 is replaced by the following:

"The term of this Agreement shall be from 1 September 1970, through 31 December 1974. For purposes of smooth administration of the Agreement, the fourth agreement year, constituting the period from 1 September 1973, through 31 August 1974, and the four-month extended period from 1 September 1974, through 31 December 1974, shall be treated as one agreement period, hereinafter referred to as the Fourth Agreement Period."

B. Paragraph 7 is amended to add the following:

"7(A). For the Fourth Agreement Period, the aggregate limit shall be 31,255,875 square yards equivalent.

"7(B). Within the aggregate limit for the Fourth Agreement Period, the following group and specific limits shall apply:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Units</u>	<u>In square yards</u>
Group I - Aggregate		17,190,732
Categories 9/10		1,250,235
Categories 18/19/26 Print Cloth		2,813,028
22/23 Twill and Sateen		2,344,190

<u>Item</u>	<u>Units</u>	<u>In square yards</u>
26 (other than Print Cloth of which duck not to exceed)		6,876,292 (3,125,646)
Category 31	3,143,550 nos.	1,093,955
Category 64	278,585 lbs.	1,227,489
Group II - Aggregate		14,065,144
Categories 45/46/47		4,431,906
Category 49	23,443 doz.	761,898
Category 50	39,070 doz.	695,329
Category 51	39,070 doz.	695,329
Category 53	23,443 doz.	1,061,968
Category 55	28,130 doz.	1,434,630
Category 60	43,759 doz.	2,273,280

"7(C). For the Fourth Agreement Period, the consultation level for each category not given a specific limit shall be 781,397 square yards equivalent in categories 1-38 and 64, and 546,978 square yards equivalent in categories 39-63."

C. Paragraph 9 shall be amended to add the following:

"Exports of cotton batik and cotton batik textile products which are cut, sewn, or otherwise fabricated by hand in cottages, which are units of the cottage industry, shall be exempt from the purview of this Agreement upon the establishment of a mutually satisfactory certification procedure."

If the foregoing is acceptable to your Government, this note and your note of acceptance on behalf of your Government shall constitute an amendment and extension of the Agreement on Trade in Cotton Textiles effected by exchange of notes on 8 September 1970.

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

MALAYSIAN NOTE

27 December 1974

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Malaysia presents its compliments to the Embassy of the United States of America and with reference to the latter's Note No: 312 dated 23 December 1974 has the honour to inform the Embassy that the Government of Malaysia has agreed to the proposed amendments and extension to the Cotton Textile Agreement between Malaysia and the United States of America as set out in the aforesaid Note.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs Malaysia avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Embassy of the United States of America the assurances of its highest consideration.

UNITED STATES NOTE EXTENDING WOOL AND MAN-MADE FIBRE TEXTILES  
AGREEMENT

23 December 1974

Excellency:

I have the honour to refer to the Agreement between our two Governments on Trade in Wool and Man-made Fibre Textile Products effected by exchange of notes on 8 September 1970, as amended by exchange of notes of 1 December 1972, and 9 February 1973. As a result of recent discussions between representatives of our Governments, I have the honour to propose that the aforementioned Agreement be further amended and extended as provided for in the following paragraphs:

A. The first paragraph shall be amended to read as follows:

"The Government of Malaysia will limit exports of wool textile products and man-made fibre textile products to the United States for a period of four years and four months, beginning 1 September 1970, and ending 31 December 1974, to the limits set forth below and in accordance with this Agreement. For purposes of smooth administration of the Agreement, the fourth agreement year, constituting the period from 1 September 1973, through 31 August 1974, and the four-month extended period from 1 September 1974, through 31 December 1974, shall be treated as one agreement period, hereinafter referred to as the Fourth Agreement Period."

B. Paragraph 3, as amended, shall be further amended to add the following:

"(C) for the Fourth Agreement Period, the aggregate limit shall be 8,437,266 square yards equivalent. Within this aggregate limit, the following specific limits shall apply for the Fourth Agreement Period:

<u>Specific limits</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Square yards equivalent</u>
Category 228	50,622 doz.	735,538
Category 229	30,373 doz.	1,252,886
Category 234	67,497 doz.	1,497,758
Category 235	84,371 doz.	2,063,715
Category 238	42,186 doz.	750,911

C. Paragraph 4(A) shall be replaced by the following:

"Within the aggregate limit, for the Fourth Agreement Period, exports of man-made and wool fibre textiles in categories not subject to a specific limit may not exceed 590,608 square yards equivalent for any man-made fibre textile apparel category, 843,727 square yards equivalent for any man-made fibre textile non-apparel category, and 137,717 square yards equivalent for any wool textile category, except with the prior concurrence of the Government of the United States of America following consultations requested by the Government of Malaysia. The Government of the United States of America agrees to enter promptly into such consultations at the request of the Government of Malaysia."

If the foregoing is acceptable to your Government, this note and your note of acceptance on behalf of your Government shall constitute an amendment and extension of the Agreement on Trade in Wool and Man-made Fibre Textiles effected by exchange of notes on 8 September 1970.

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

MALAYSIAN NOTE

27 December 1974

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs Malaysia presents its compliments to the Embassy of the United States of America and with reference to the latter's Note No: 313 dated 23 December 1974 has the honour to inform the Embassy that the Government of Malaysia has agreed to the proposed amendments and extension to the Agreement between Malaysia and the United States of America on Trade in Wool and Man-made Fibre Textile Products as set out in the aforesaid Note.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs Malaysia avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Embassy of the United States of America the assurances of its highest consideration.