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ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4

Amendment of an Agreement Between the United States and Poland

The Textiles Surveillance Body has received a notification from the United States of an amendment to its agreement on cotton textiles with Poland. The agreement was notified under Article 4 of the Arrangement and ended on 31 December 1977.

The TSB pursuant to its procedures regarding bilateral agreements notified under Article 42, has examined the relevant documentation and is circulating the notification to participating countries for their information.

 $[\]frac{1}{F}$ for details of agreement see COM.TEX/SB/152 and 263.

^{2/}See COM.TEX/SB/35, Annex B.

UNITED STATES AND POLISH PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC AMEND TEXTILE AGREEMENT

The United States and the Polish People's Republic exchanged notes on 21 November 1977 to amend the existing bilateral agreement on trade in cotton textiles between the two countries. The texts of the notes follow:

UNITED STATES NOTE

21 November 1977

His Excellency
Dr. Witold Trampczynski,
Ambassador of the Polish People's Republic

Excellency:

I have the honour to refer to the agreement dated 6 November 1975 as amended (the "Agreement"), concerning trade in cotton textiles between the Polish People's Republic ("Poland") and the United States of America (the "United States"). I refer also to the letter of 2 November 1977 from Josef Soldazuk to John J. St. John and to recent negotiations between representatives of the Governments of Poland and the United States. As a result of those negotiations, I propose that the Agreement be amended as follows:

- (1) The designated consultation level for category 49, other coats, not knit, is changed to 66,385 dozen for the current agreement year. The specific limit for category 333 for 1978 (i.e. 2,200,000 square yards equivalent) shall be reduced by an amount corresponding to any quantity shipped in excess of the 60,385 dozen designated consultation limit for 1977.
- (2) Poland may exceed the minimum consultation level in category 50, men's and boys' trousers, during the current agreement year. The new authorized consultation level is 55,000 dozen.

If the foregoing proposal is acceptable to your Government, this note and your note of confirmation on behalf of the Government of Poland shall constitute an agreement between Poland and the United States.

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

(Signed) William G. Barraclough
For the Secretary of State

POLISH NOTE

21 November 1977

The Honorable Cyrus R. Vance, The Secretary of State, Washington, D.C.

Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to your note of this date. I confirm that your proposal is acceptable to my Government and this note and your Excellency's note shall constitute an agreement between the Government of the Polish People's Republic and the Government of the United States of America amending the bilateral agreement of 6 November 1975 concerning trade in cotton textiles.

Please accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

(Signed) Witold Trampczynski Ambassador