GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4

Amendment and Extension of an Agreement Between the United States and Portugal on Behalf of Macao

The Textiles Surveillance Body has received a notification from the United States of an amendment and extension of its bilateral agreement with Portugal on behalf of Macao, concluded under Article 4 of the Arrangement.

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

For details of agreement sec COM.TEX/SB/92.

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

UNITED STATES AND MACAD AMEND TEXTILE AGREEMENT

The United States and Macao exchanged notes dated 4 and 17 August and 20 and 29 October 1976, to amend the existing bilateral agreement on trade in cotton, wool and man-made fibre textiles between the two countries. The composite text of the United States note and the texts of the Macao notes follow:

UNITED STATES NOTE

American Consulate General, Hong Kong.

4 August 1976.

Sir:

I refer to the Bilateral Agreement of 3 May 1975 between the Governments of the United States and Portugal (hereinafter referred to as the Agreement) relating to trade in cotton, wool and man-made fibre textiles between the United States and Macao, and to discussions between the Governments of the United States and Macao on 26 April 1976.

As a result of these discussions, I propose the following amendment to the Agreement:

- 1. Annex A shall be amended as follows:
- A. The description for Category 62 shall be revised to read as follows:
- 62 Other knitted or crocheted clothing LB. 4.6 excluding knit shirts and blouses
- B. Between Category 62 and 63, a new sub-category shall be listed as follows:
- 62 (Part). Knit shirts and blouses

DOZ.

7.234

Mr. Ramiro de Andrade Fonseca de Almeida Secretary for Economic Co-ordination, Government of Macao, Macao.

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C. The description for Category 224 shall be revised to read as follows:

Other wearing apparel, knit, whether or LB. 7.8 not ornamented, excluding knit tops and vests

D. Between Category 224 and 225, a new sub-category shall be listed as follows:

224 (Part) Knit tops and vests DOZ. 15.69

2. In paragraph 1 of the Agreement, the first sentence shall be amended to read as follows:

"The term of this agreement shall be from 1 January 1975 through 31 December 1979."

3. Paragraph 4 is hereby amended as follows:

"Within the limit for Croup I, the following specific limits shall apply for the second agreement year:"

| Category | Description | Units | Square Yards Equivalent |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------------|
| 22/23 | Twills and sateens, cotton | 2,000,000 SYD | |
| 41/42/43/62 (Part) | Knit shirts and blouses, cotton | 386,251 DOZ. | 2,794,140 |
| 41/42 (sub-limit) | Knit T-shirts | (175,000 DOZ.) | (1,265,950) |
| 43/62 Part (sub-limit) | Knit shirts and blouses | (225,800 DOZ.) | (1,633,437) |
| 49 | Other coats, cotton | 63,208 DOZ. | 2,054,266 |
| 50/51 | Trousers, slacks and shorts, cotton | 203,002 DOZ. | 3,612,826 |
| 218/219/224 (Part) | Knit shirts, blouses and tops | | 9,246,672 |

| Category | Description | Units | Square Yards Equivalent |
|--------------------|--|----------------|-------------------------------|
| 218 (sub-limit) | Knit T-shirts | (102,728 DOZ.) | (743,750) |
| 224 (sub-limit) | Knit tops and vests | *(47,403 DOZ.) | (743,750) |
| 221 | Sweaters, MMF | 77,852 DOZ. | 2,864,954 |
| 222 | Knit trousers, shorts, MMF | 153,421 DOZ. | 2,730,900 |
| 223 | Knit underwear, MMF | 132,503 DOZ. | 2,120,048 |
| 224 (Part) | Other knit apparel MMF, excluding tops | 210,729 LB. | 1,643,690 |
| 229 | Coats, MMF | 143,333 DOZ. | 5,933,131 |

4. In paragraph 6(A), the third sentence shall be amended to read:

"Within the aggregate and applicable group limits, all specific limits shall be increased by 6.25 per cent annually except those limits in Group II which shall be increased by 1 per cent annually."

*5. In paragraph 8, the fourth sentence shall be amended to read:

"The consultation level for each category not given a specific limit shall be 1,000,000 square yards equivalent in Categories 1-38, 64, 200-213, 241-243; 700,000 square yards equivalent in Categories 39-63 and 214-240; and 102,010 square yards equivalent in Categories 101-132."

If this proposal is acceptable to the Government of Macao, this note and your note of confirmation on behalf of the Government of Macao shall constitute an Agreement between the two Governments which will enter into force on the date of your reply of acceptance.

(Signed) Mr. Charles T. Cross
American Consul General

As corrected by 20 October 1976 United States note.

MACAC LETTER

17 August 1976

Dear Mr. Cross,

With reference to your letter of 4 August 1976, I have the pleasure in enclosing a note of confirmation signed by H.E. the Governor of Macao.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) Armando Lopes de Campos Director Economic Department

Mr. Charles T. Cross American Consul General, 26 Garlen Road, Hong Kong.

MACAO - NOTE OF CONFIRMATION

Macao, 17 August 1976

Referring to the Memorandum of Understanding resulting from discussions on 26 April 1976 in Macao and your new proposals contained in your note of 4 August 1976, I now wish to confirm that all such proposals are acceptable to the Government of Macao.

The Governor of Macao,

(Signed) Jose Eduardo Garcia Leandro
Coronel

MACAO NOTE OF CONFIRMATION

Government House, 29 October 1976

Referring to the Memorandum of Understanding resulting from discussions on 20 April 1976 in Macao, and your new proposals contained in your note of 20 October 1976. I now wish to confirm that these proposals are acceptable to the Government of Macao.

(Signed) Jose Eduardo Garcia Leandro Governor of Macao

Mr. Charles Tenney Cross American Consul General, Hong Kong.

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