

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON
TARIFFS AND TRADE

RESTRICTED

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ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Articles 7 and 8

Amendment to an Interim Bilateral Agreement Between
the United States and a Non-Participating Country

The Textiles Surveillance Body has received from the United States a notification of an amendment to the Interim Agreement¹ previously concluded between the United States and a non-participating country. This notification has been made in accordance with the decision of the Textiles Committee that actions taken vis-à-vis non-participants in the Arrangement should be notified.

The TSB is circulating this notification to participating countries for their information.

¹For original Interim Agreement see COM.TEX/SB/307.

UNITED STATES AND THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA AMEND
INTERIM AGREEMENT

The United States and the Republic of China exchanged notes on 30 March 1978 to amend the existing Interim Agreement between the two countries. The texts of the notes follow:

UNITED STATES NOTE

30 March 1978

Excellency:

I have the honour to refer to the Interim Agreement of 16 December 1977 (the "Interim Agreement") between the Government of the Republic of China and the Government of the United States of America concerning trade in cotton, wool and man-made fibre textiles and textile products manufactured in the Republic of China.

I have also the honour to refer to discussions between representatives of the Government of the Republic of China and the Government of the United States of America held in Taipei from 23 to 28 January 1978, and in Washington from 21 to 24 February 1978, concerning exports to the United States of such textiles and textile products. As a result of these discussions I have the honour to propose, on behalf of the Government of the United States of America, that the Interim Agreement be amended as follows:

1. Paragraph 1 of the Interim Agreement is amended to read:

"1. The term of this Interim Agreement shall be from 1 January 1978 through 30 June 1978."

2. Paragraph 5 of the Interim Agreement is amended to read:

"5. Categories not subject to specific limits are subject to consultation levels and to the aggregate and applicable group limits. Except as specified in Annex C, which sets out certain different consultation levels, consultation levels for categories not subject to specific limits shall be 500,000 square yards equivalent for categories in Group I, 350,000 square yards equivalent for categories in Group II, and 50,000 square yards equivalent for categories in Group III."

His Excellency
Mr. James C.H. Shen,
Chinese Ambassador.

3. Annexes B and C to the Interim Agreement are deleted and are replaced, respectively, by Annexes B and C to this Note.

If the foregoing proposal is acceptable to your Government, this Note and your Excellency's Note of Acceptance on behalf of the Government of the Republic of China shall constitute an agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of China, amending the Interim Agreement.

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

For the Secretary of State:

(signed) William Barraclough

ANNEX BAGGREGATE, GROUP AND SPECIFIC LIMITS

(JANUARY 1, 1978 TO JUNE 30, 1978)

	Unit	Limit
Aggregate	SYE	379,472,418
Group 1	SYE	82,933,744
Group 2	SYE	294,037,830
Group 3	SYE	2,500,852
Category		
313	Syd.	19,407,706
335	Doz.	21,376
340	Doz.	292,000
341	Doz.	158,292
347	Doz.	139,594
348	Doz.	219,522
434	No.	177,778
440	Doz.	5,992
445	Doz.	5,024
446	Doz.	28,862
633	Doz.	23,878
634	Doz.	314,520
635	Doz.	261,094
638	Doz.	676,103
639	Doz.	2,516,590
640	Doz.	1,459,690
641	Doz.	292,498
643	No.	330,870
644	No.	396,184
645/646	Doz.	2,013,786
647	Doz.	846,974
648	Doz.	1,433,004

ANNEX C

DESIGNATED CONSULTATION LEVELS

(JANUARY 1, 1978 TO JUNE 30, 1978)

Category	Level (Square Yards Equivalent)
310	1,461,848
314	750,000
315	1,049,998
317	2,082,532
318	2,000,000
320	9,000,000
331	750,000
336	575,000
337	1,000,000
338	369,190
339	627,052
345	547,658
350	800,000
351	1,174,056
352	1,100,000
359	2,350,000
360	1,000,000
361	1,000,000
363	750,000
369	1,123,336
400	125,000
410	500,000
435	246,316
436	53,560
438	97,382
448	135,000

459	740,424
600	15,000,000
605	750,000
610	750,000
612	1,000,000
613	1,900,000
614	1,500,000
625	3,000,000
627	33,685,154
631	3,691,250
632	1,888,000
636	7,000,000
637	1,016,208
642	850,000
650	1,750,000
651	7,500,000
652	900,000
659	25,075,170
666	3,768,772
669	5,000,000

REPUBLIC OF CHINA NOTE

30 March 1978

Excellency:

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's Note of today's date which proposes, on behalf of the Government of the United States of America, an Interim Agreement relating to trade in cotton, wool and man-made fibre textiles and textile products between the Republic of China and the United States for the period from 1 January 1978 through 30 June 1978.

I have further the honour to confirm that your proposed Interim Agreement is acceptable to the Government of the Republic of China.

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

(signed) James C.H. Shen

Ambassador of the
Republic of China

The Honorable
Cyrus R. Vance,
Secretary of State.