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ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Article 4 Notification

Bilateral Agreement between the EEC and Sri Lanka

The Textiles Surveillance Body has received from the EEC a notification of a bilateral agreement which has been concluded under Article 4 of the Arrangement between the EEC and Sri Lanka concerning trade in textiles.^{1/}

The TSB, pursuant to its procedure regarding bilateral agreements notified under Article 4^{2/}, has examined the relevant documentation and is circulating the text of this agreement to participating countries for their information.^{3/}

^{1/} For status of the agreement see paragraph 15, COM.TEX/SB/380.

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

^{3/} The observations and recommendations set forth in COM.TEX/SB/380 and in paragraph 18 will apply to this agreement.

AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY AND THE
REPUBLIC OF SRI LANKA ON TRADE IN TEXTILE PRODUCTS

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES, of the one part, and

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SRI LANKA, of the other part,

DESIRING to promote, with a view to permanent co-operation and in conditions providing every security for trade, the expansion and orderly development of trade in textile products between the European Economic Community (hereinafter referred to as "the Community") and SRI LANKA,

HAVING REGARD to the Arrangement regarding International Trade in Textiles (hereinafter referred to as "the Geneva Arrangement"), and in particular Article 4 thereof; and to the conditions set out in the Protocol extending the Arrangement together with the conclusions adopted on 14 December 1977 by the Textiles Committee (L/4616),

HAVE DECIDED to conclude this Agreement and to this end have designated as their plenipotentiaries,

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES:

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SRI LANKA:

Who have agreed as follows:

AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY AND THE
REPUBLIC OF SRI LANKA ON TRADE IN TEXTILE PRODUCTS

Section I: Trade Arrangements

Article 1

1. The parties recognize and confirm that, subject to the provisions of this Agreement and without prejudice to their rights and obligations under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, the conduct of their mutual trade in textile products shall be governed by the provisions of the Geneva Arrangement.
2. In respect of the products covered by this Agreement, the Community undertakes not to introduce quantitative restrictions under Article XIX of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade or Article 3 of the Geneva Arrangement.
3. Measures having equivalent effect to quantitative restrictions on the importation into the Community of the products covered by this Agreement shall be prohibited.

Article 2

1. This Agreement shall apply to trade in textile products of cotton, wool and man-made fibres originating in SRI LANKA which are listed in Annex I.
2. The description and identification of the products covered by this Agreement are based on the nomenclature of the Common Customs Tariff and on the Nomenclature of Goods for the External Trade Statistics of the Community and the Statistics of Trade between Member States (NIMEXE).
3. The origin of the products covered by this Agreement shall be determined in accordance with the rules in force in the Community.

The procedures for control of the origin of the products referred to above are laid down in Protocol A.

Article 3

SRI LANKA agrees for each calendar year to restrain its exports to the Community of the products described in Annex II to the limits set out therein.

Exports of textile products set out in Annex II shall be subject to a double-checking system specified in Protocol A.

Article 4

1. Exports of cottage-industry fabrics woven on hand- or foot-operated looms, of garments or other articles obtained manually from those fabrics and of traditional folklore handicraft products shall not be subject to quantitative limits, provided that these products meet the conditions laid down in Protocol B.

2. Imports into the Community of textile products covered by this Agreement shall not be subject to the quantitative limits established in Annex II, provided that they are declared to be for re-export outside the Community in the same state or after processing, under the administrative system of control set up for this purpose within the Community.

However, the release for home use of products imported under the conditions referred to above shall be subject to the production of an export licence issued by the SRI LANKA authorities, and to proof of origin in accordance with the provisions of Protocol A.

3. Where the authorities in the Community ascertain that imports of textile products have been set off against a quantitative limit established under this Agreement, but that the products have subsequently been re-exported outside the Community, the authorities concerned shall inform the SRI LANKA authorities within four weeks of the quantities involved and authorize imports of identical quantities of the same products, which shall not be set off against the quantitative limit established in Annex II for the current or the following year.

Article 5

1. In any Agreement year advance use of a portion of the quantitative limit established for the following Agreement year is authorized for each category of products up to 5 per cent of the quantitative limit for the current Agreement year.

Amounts delivered in advance shall be deducted from the corresponding quantitative limits established for the following Agreement year.

2. Carry-over to the corresponding quantitative limit for the following Agreement year of amounts not used during any Agreement year is authorized up to 5 per cent of the quantitative limit for the current Agreement year.

3. Transfers in respect of categories in Group I shall not be made from any category except as follows:

- transfers between Categories 1, 2 and 3 may be effected up to 5 per cent of the quantitative limits for the category to which the transfer is made except that in the case of Category 1 the parties acknowledge that the transfer of 5 per cent has already been incorporated in the quantitative limit for Category 1 set out in Annex II;
- transfers between Categories 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 may be made up to 5 per cent of the quantitative limit for the category to which the transfer is made.

Transfers into any category in Groups II, III, IV and V may be made from any category or categories in Groups I, II, III, IV and V up to 5 per cent of the quantitative limit for the category to which the transfer is made.

4. The table of equivalence applicable to the transfers referred to above is given in Annex I to this Agreement.

5. The increase in any category of products resulting from the cumulative application of the provisions in paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 above during an Agreement year shall not exceed 15 per cent.

6. Prior notification shall be given by the authorities of Sri Lanka in the event of recourse to the provisions of paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 above.

Article 6

1. Exports of textile products not listed in Annex II to this Agreement may be made subject to quantitative limits by SRI LANKA on the conditions laid down in the following paragraphs.

2. Where the Community finds, under the system of administrative control set up, that the level of imports of products in a given category not listed in Annex II originating in Sri Lanka exceeds, in relation to the preceding year's total imports into the Community from all sources of products in that category, the following rates:

- for categories of products in Group I, 0.2 per cent
- for categories of products in Group II, 1.5 per cent
- for categories of products in Group III, IV or V, 4 per cent

it may request the opening of consultations in accordance with the procedure described in Article 12 of this Agreement, with a view to reaching agreement on an appropriate restraint level for the products in such category.

3. Pending a mutually satisfactory solution, Sri Lanka undertakes, from the date of notification of the request for consultations, to suspend or limit at the level indicated by the Community in the said notification exports of the category of products in question to the Community or to the region or regions of the Community market specified by the Community.

The Community shall authorize the importation of products of the said category shipped from Sri Lanka before the date on which the request for consultations was submitted.

4. Should the Parties be unable in the course of consultations to reach a satisfactory solution within the period specified in Article 12 of the Agreement, the Community shall have the right to introduce a quantitative limit at an annual level not lower than that reached by imports of the category in question and referred to in the notification of the request for consultations. The annual level so fixed shall be revised upwards after consultations in accordance with the procedure referred to in Article 1, with a view to fulfilling the conditions set out in paragraph 2, should the trend of total imports into the Community of the product in question make this necessary.

5. The limits introduced under paragraph 2 or paragraph 4 may in no case be lower than the level of imports of products in that category originating in Sri Lanka in 1976.

6. Quantitative limits may also be established by the Community on a regional basis in accordance with the provisions of Protocol C.

7. The annual growth rate for the quantitative limits introduced under this Article shall be determined in accordance with the provisions of Protocol D.

8. The provisions of this Article shall not apply where the percentages specified in paragraph 2 have been reached as a result of fall in total imports into the Community, and not as a result of an increase in exports of products originating in Sri Lanka.

9. In the event of the provisions of paragraph 2 or paragraph 4 being applied, Sri Lanka undertakes to issue export licences for products covered by contracts concluded before the introduction of the quantitative limit, up to the volume of the quantitative limit fixed for the current year.

10. For the purpose of applying the provisions of paragraph 2, the Community undertakes to provide the Sri Lanka authorities, before 31 March of each year, with the preceding year's statistics on imports of all textile products covered by this Agreement, broken down by supplying country and Community member State.

11. The provisions of this Agreement which concern exports of products subject to the quantitative limits established in Annex II shall also apply to products for which quantitative limits are introduced under this Article.

Section II: Administration of the Agreement

Article 7

1. Sri Lanka undertakes to supply the Community with precise statistical information on all export licences issued by the Sri Lanka authorities for all categories of textile products subject to the quantitative limits set out in Annex II.

2. The Community shall likewise transmit to the Sri Lanka authorities precise statistical information on import authorizations or documents issued by the Community authorities, and import statistics for products covered by the system of administrative control referred to in Article 6(2).

3. The information referred to above shall, for all categories of products, be transmitted before the end of the second month following the quarter to which the statistics relate.

4. Should it be found on analysis of the information exchanged that there are significant discrepancies between the returns for exports and those for imports, consultations may be initiated in accordance with the procedure specified in Article 12 of this Agreement.

Article 8

Any amendment to the Common Customs Tariff or Nimece, made in accordance with the procedures in force in the Community, concerning categories of products covered by this Agreement or any decision relating to the classification of goods shall not have the effect of reducing any quantitative limit established in Annex II.

Article 9

Sri Lanka shall endeavour to ensure that exports of textile products subject to quantitative limits are spaced out as evenly as possible over the year, due account being taken, in particular, of seasonal factors.

However, should recourse be had to the provisions of Article 15 the quantitative limits established in Annex II shall be reduced on a pro rata basis.

Article 10

1. Portions of the quantitative limits established in Annex II not used in a member State of the Community may be allocated to another member State in accordance with the procedures in force in the Community. The Community undertakes to reply within four weeks to any request made by Sri Lanka for such reallocation. It is understood that any reallocations so effected shall not be subject to the limits fixed under the flexibility provisions set out in Article 5 of this Agreement.

2. Should it appear in any given region of the Community that additional supplies are required, the Community may, where measures taken pursuant to paragraph 1 above are inadequate to cover those requirements, authorize the importation of amounts greater than those stipulated in Annex II.

Article 11

1. Sri Lanka and the Community undertake to refrain from discrimination in the allocation of export licences and import authorizations or documents respectively.

2. In implementing this Agreement, the Parties shall take care to maintain the traditional commercial practices and trade flows between the Community and Sri Lanka.

3. Should either Party find that the application of this Agreement is disturbing existing commercial relations between importers in the Community and suppliers in Sri Lanka consultations shall be started promptly, in accordance with the procedure specified in Article 12 of this Agreement, with a view to remedying this situation.

Article 12

1. The special consultation procedures referred to in this Agreement shall be governed by the following rules:

- any request for consultations shall be notified in writing to the other Party;
- the request for consultations shall be followed within a reasonable period (and in any case not later than fifteen days following the notification) by a statement setting out the reasons and circumstances which, in the opinion of the requesting Party, justify the submission of such a request;
- the Parties shall enter into consultations within one month at the latest of notification of the request, with a view to reaching agreement or a mutually acceptable conclusion within one further month at the latest.

2. If necessary, at the request of either of the Parties and in conformity with the provisions of the Geneva Agreement, consultations shall be held on any problems arising from the application of this Agreement. Any consultations held under this Article shall be approached by both Parties in a spirit of co-operation and with a desire to reconcile the difference between them.

Section III: Transitional and Final Provisions

Article 13

1. The provisions of this Agreement shall not apply to imports of products subject to quantitative limits in 1977, provided such products are shipped before 1 January 1978.

2. Products originating in Sri Lanka which become subject to quantitative limits from 1 January 1978 only, in pursuance of this Agreement, may be imported into the Community without the production of an export licence until 31 March 1978, provided such products are shipped before 1 January 1978.

Article 14

By way of derogation from Articles 2 and 8 of Protocol A, the Community undertakes to issue import authorizations or documents without the production of an export licence or certificate of origin in the form prescribed in the said Article 8 for products originating in Sri Lanka subject to quantitative

limits under this Agreement provided such products are shipped in the period from 1 January 1978 to 31 March 1978 and do not exceed 40 per cent of the quantitative limits applicable to the products. This period may be extended by agreement reached between the Parties in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 12 of this Agreement.

The Community shall supply the Sri Lanka authorities without delay with precise statistical information on import authorizations or documents issued under this Article; the said authorities shall set the corresponding amounts off against the quantitative limits established in Annex II for the products in question for 1978.

Article 15

1. This Agreement shall enter into force on the first day of the month following the date on which the Parties notify each other of the completion of the procedures necessary for this purpose. It shall be applicable until 31 December 1982.
2. This Agreement shall apply with effect from 1 January 1978.
3. Consultations may be held at any time to consider proposals from either Party modify this Agreement.
4. Either Party may at any time denounce this Agreement provided that at least ninety days' notice is given. In such event the Agreement shall come to an end on the expiry of the period of notice.
5. The Annexes and Protocol to this Agreement, the joint declaration and the Memorandum of Understanding shall form an integral part thereof.

Article 16

This Agreement shall apply to the territories within which the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community is applied and under the conditions laid down in that Treaty on the one hand, and to the territory of Sri Lanka on the other hand.

Article 17

This Agreement shall be drawn up in two copies in the Danish, Dutch, English, French, German, Italian and Sinhala languages, each of these texts being equally authentic.

PROTOCOL ADouble Checking SystemTitle I: Quantitative LimitsSection I: ExportationArticle 1

The competent authorities of Sri Lanka shall issue an export licence in respect of all consignments from Sri Lanka of textile products referred to in Annex II, up to the relevant quantitative limits as may be modified by Articles 5 and 10 of the Agreement.

Article 2

The export licence shall conform to the model annexed to this Protocol. It must certify, inter alia, that the quantity of the product in question has been set off against the quantitative limit prescribed for the category of the product in question.

Article 3

The competent Community authorities must be notified forthwith of the withdrawal or alteration of any export licence already issued.

Article 4

Exports shall be set off against the quantitative limits established for the year in which shipment of the goods has been effected, even if the export licence is issued after such shipment.

Section II: ImportationArticle 5

Importation into the Community of textile products subject to quantitative limits shall be subject to the presentation of an import authorization or document.

Article 6

The competent Community authorities shall issue such import authorization or document automatically within five working days of the presentation by the importer of a certified copy of the corresponding export licence.

The import authorization or document shall be valid for six months.

Article 7

1. If the competent Community authorities find that the total quantities covered by export licences issued by Sri Lanka for a particular category in any Agreement year exceeds the quantitative limit established in Annex II for that category, as may be modified by Article 5 and 10 of the Agreement, the said authorities may suspend the further issue of import authorizations or documents. In this event, the competent Community authorities shall immediately inform the authorities of Sri Lanka and the special consultation procedure set out in Article 12 of the Agreement shall be initiated forthwith.

2. Exports of Sri Lanka origin not covered by Sri Lanka export licences issued in accordance with the provisions of this Protocol may be refused the issue of import authorizations or documents by the competent Community authorities. However, if the imports of such products are allowed into the Community by the competent Community authorities, the quantities involved shall not be set off against the appropriate limits set out in Annex II without the express agreement of Sri Lanka.

Title II: Origin

Article 8

1. Products originating in Sri Lanka for export to the Community in accordance with the arrangements established by this Agreement shall be accompanied by a certificate of Sri Lanka origin conforming to the model annexed to this Protocol.

2. The certificate of origin shall be issued by the competent governmental authorities of Sri Lanka if the products in question can be considered products originating in that country within the meaning of the relevant rules in force in the Community.

Article 9

The discovery of slight discrepancies between the statements made in the certificate of origin and those made in the documents produced to the customs office for the purpose of carrying out the formalities for importing the product shall not ipso facto cast doubt upon the statements in the certificate.

Article 10

1. Subsequent verification of certificates of origin shall be carried out at random, or whenever the competent Community authorities have reasonable doubt as to the authenticity of the certificate or as to the accuracy of the information regarding the true origin of the products in question.

In such cases the competent authorities in the Community shall return the certificate of origin or a copy thereof to the competent governmental authority in Sri Lanka, giving, where appropriate, the reasons of form or substance for an enquiry. If the invoice has been submitted, such invoice or a copy thereof shall be attached to the certificate or its copy. The authorities shall also forward any information that has been obtained suggesting that the particulars given on the said certificate are inaccurate.

2. The results of the subsequent verifications carried out in accordance with paragraph 1 above shall be communicated to the competent authorities of the Community within three months at the latest.

3. For the purpose of subsequent verification of certificates of origin, copies of the certificates as well as any export documents referring to them shall be kept for at least two years by the competent governmental authority in Sri Lanka.

4. Recourse to the random verification procedure specified in this Article must not constitute an obstacle to the release for home use in the Community of the products in question.

Article 11

The provisions of this Title shall not apply to goods covered by a certificate of origin Form A completed in accordance with the relevant Community rules in order to qualify for generalized tariff preferences.

Title III: Form and Production of Export Licences and Certificates of Origin, and Common Provisions

Article 12

The export licence and the certificate of origin may comprise additional copies duly indicated as such. They shall be made out in English or French. If they are completed by hand, entries must be in ink and in printscript.

These documents shall measure 210 x 297 mm. The paper used must be white sized writing paper not containing mechanical pulp and weighing not less than 25 g/m². Each part shall have a printed guilloche-pattern background making any falsification by mechanical or chemical means apparent to the eye.

Each document shall bear a serial number, whether or not printed, by which it can be identified.

Article 13

The export licence and the certificate of origin may be issued after the shipment of the products to which they relate. In such cases they shall bear either the endorsement "délivré a posteriori" or the endorsement "issued retrospectively".

Article 14

In the event of theft, loss or destruction of an export licence or a certificate of origin, the exporter may apply to the competent governmental authority which issued the document for a duplicate to be made out on the basis of the export documents in his possession. The duplicate licence or certificate so issued shall bear the endorsement "duplicate".

The duplicate must bear the date of the original licence or certificate.

Article 15

The competent governmental authorities in Sri Lanka shall satisfy themselves that the goods exported correspond to the statements given in the export licence and certificate of origin.

Article 16

Sri Lanka shall send the Commission of the European Communities the names and addresses of the governmental authorities competent to issue export licences and certificates of origin, together with specimens of stamps used by these authorities.

EEC - SRI LANKA TEXTILES AGREEMENT

1978 Restraint Levels broken down by Member States

Cat.	Units	EEC	D	F	I	BNL	UK	IRL	DK
4	1000p	1.000	250	112	67	299	238	8	26
5	1000p	700	350	81	75	38	126	6	24
6	1000p	1.500	823	45	160	180	315	13	64
7	1000p	2.700	875	389	486	292	620	12	76
8	1000p	3.100	1.250	220	383	594	573	26	54

1. Exporter (name, full address, country) Exportateur (nom, adresse complète, pays)	ORIGINAL	2. No
	3. Quota year Année contingentaire	4. Category No No de catégorie
5. Consignee (name, full address, country) Destinataire (nom, adresse complète, pays)	EXPORT LICENCE (TEXTILE PRODUCTS) <hr/> LICENCE D'EXPORTATION (PRODUITS TEXTILES.)	
	6. Country of origin Pays d'origine	7. Country of destination Pays de destination
8. Place and date of shipment - means of transport Lieu et date d'embarquement - moyen de transport	9. Supplementary details Données supplémentaires	
10. Marks and numbers-number and kind of packages-DESCRIPTION OF GOODS Marques et numéros-Nombre et nature des colis-DESIGNATION DES MARCHANDISES	11. Quantity(1) Quantité(1)	12. Value FOB(2) Valeur FOB(2)
	<p>13. CERTIFICATION BY THE COMPETENT AUTHORITY - VISA DE L'AUTORITE COMPETENTE</p> <p>I, the undersigned, certify that the goods described above have been charged against the quantitative limit established for the year shown in box No 3 in respect of the category shown in box No 4 by the provisions regulating trade in textile products with the European Economic Community.</p> <p>Je soussigné certifie que les marchandises désignées ci-dessus ont été imputées sur la limite quantitative fixée pour l'année indiquée dans la case No 3 pour la catégorie désignée dans la case No 4 dans le cadre des dispositions régissant les échanges de produits textiles avec la Communauté Economique Européenne.</p>	
14. Competent authority (name, full address, country) Autorité compétente (nom, adresse complète, pays)	At - A on - le (Signature) (Stamp - Cachet)	

1. Exporter (name, full address, country) Exportateur (nom, adresse complète, pays)	ORIGINAL	2. No
5. Consignee (name, full address, country) Destinataire (nom, adresse complète, pays)	3. Quota year Année contingente	4. Category No No de catégorie
C E R T I F I C A T E O F O R I G I N (T E X T I L E P R O D U C T S) <hr/> C E R T I F I C A T D' O R I G I N E (P R O D U I T S T E X T I L E S)		
8. Place and date of shipment - means of transport Lieu et date d'embarquement - moyen de transport	6. Country of origin Pays d'origine	7. Country of destination Pays de destination
10. Marks and numbers - Number and kind of packages - DESCRIPTION OF GOODS Marques et numéros - Nombre et nature des colis - DESIGNATION DES MARCHANDISES	8. Supplementary details Données supplémentaires	11. Quantity (1) Quantité (1)
		12. Value FOB(2) Valeur FOB(2)
13. CERTIFICATION BY THE COMPETENT AUTHORITY - VISA DE L'AUTORITE COMPETENTE I, the undersigned, certify that the goods described above are originating in the country shown in box No 6; in accordance with the provisions in force in the European Economic Community. Je soussigné certifie que les marchandises désignées ci-dessus sont originaires du pays figurant dans la case n° 6, conformément aux dispositions en vigueur dans la Communauté Economique Européenne.		
14. Competent authority (name, full address, country) Autorité compétente (nom, adresse complète, pays)	At - A, on - le <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> (Signature) (Stamp - Cachet) </div>	

PROTOCOL B

1. The exemption provided for in the first paragraph of Article 4 of the Agreement in respect of cottage industry products shall apply only to the following products:

- (a) textile fabrics woven on looms operated solely by hand or foot, being fabrics of a kind traditionally made in the cottage industry of Sri Lanka;
- (b) garments or other textile articles of a kind traditionally made in the cottage industry of Sri Lanka, obtained manually from the fabrics described above and sewn solely by hand without the aid of any machine;
- (c) traditional folklore handicraft textile products of Sri Lanka made by hand in the cottage industry of Sri Lanka as defined in a list of such products to be agreed between the two parties.

2. Exemption shall apply only in respect of products covered by a certificate issued by the competent authorities of Sri Lanka conforming to the specimen annexed to this Protocol. Such certificates shall indicate the grounds on which exemption is based and shall be accepted by the competent Community authorities provided that they are satisfied that the products concerned conform to the conditions set out in this Protocol. Should imports of any of the above products reach such proportions as to cause difficulties to the Community, the two Parties shall open consultations forthwith in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 12 of the Agreement with a view to finding a quantitative solution to the problem.

<p>1 Exporter (name, full address, country) Exportateur (nom, adresse complète, pays)</p>	ORIGINAL		2 No Page 19
<p>3 Consignee (name, full address, country) Destinataire (nom, adresse complète, pays)</p>	<p>CERTIFICATE in regard to HANDLOOMS, TEXTILE HANDICRAFTS and TRADITIONAL TEXTILE PRODUCTS, OF THE COTTAGE INDUSTRY, issued in conformity with and under the conditions regulating trade in textile products with the European Economic Community</p> <p>CERTIFICAT relatif aux TISSUS-TISSES SUR METIERS A-PAIN, aux PRODUITS TEXTILES FAITS A LA MAIN, et aux PRODUITS TEXTILES RELEVANT DU FOLKLORE TRADITIONNEL, DE FABRICATION ARTISANALE, délivré en conformité avec et sous les conditions régissant les échanges de produits textiles avec la Communauté Economique Européenne</p>		
<p>6 Place and date of shipment - means of transport Lieu et date d'embarquement - Moyen de transport</p>	<p>4 Country of origin Pays d'origine</p>	<p>5 Country of destination Pays de destination</p>	<p>7 Supplementary details Données supplémentaires</p>
<p>8 Marks and numbers - Number and kind of packages - DESCRIPTION OF GOODS Marques et numéros - Nombre et nature des colis - DESIGNATION DES MARCHANDISES.</p>	<p>9 Quantity Quantité</p>	<p>10 FOB Value(1) Valeur FCS(1)</p>	
<p>11 CERTIFICATION BY THE COMPETENT AUTHORITY - VISA DE L'AUTORITE COMPETENTE</p> <p>I, the undersigned, certify that the consignment described above includes only the following textile products of the cottage industry of the country shown in box No 4 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) fabrics woven on looms operated solely by hand or foot (handlooms) (2) b) garments or other textile articles obtained manually from the fabrics described under a) and sewn solely by hand without the aid of any machine (handicrafts) (2) c) traditional folklore handicraft textile products made by hand, as defined in the list agreed between the European Economic Community and the country shown in box No 4. <p>Je soussigné certifie que l'envoi décrit ci-dessus contient exclusivement les produits textiles suivants relevant de la fabrication artisanale du pays figurant dans la case No 4 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) tissus tissés sur des métiers actionnés à la main ou au pied (handlooms) (2) b) vêtements ou autres articles textiles obtenus manuellement à partir de tissus décrits sous a) et cousus uniquement à la main sans l'aide d'une machine (handicrafts) (2) c) produits textiles relevant du folklore traditionnel fabriqués à la main, comme définis dans la liste convenue entre la Communauté Economique Européenne et le pays indiqué dans la case No 4. 			
<p>12 Competent authority (name, full address, country) Autorité compétente (nom, adresse complète, pays)</p>	<p>At - A on - le</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(signature) (stamp - cachet)</p>		

PROTOCOL C

Under Article 6(6) of the Agreement, a quantitative limit may be fixed on a regional basis where imports of a given product into any region of the Community exceed, in relation to the amounts determined in accordance with paragraph 2 of the said Article 6, the following regional percentages:

Germany	28.5%
Benelux	10.5%
France	18.5%
Italy	15.0%
Denmark	3.0%
Ireland	1.0%
United Kingdom	23.5%

PROTOCOL D

The annual growth rate for the quantitative limits introduced under Article 6 of the Agreement shall be determined as follows:

- (a) for products in Group I:
 - the rate shall be fixed at 0.5 per cent per year for a product in category 1 or 2;
 - the rate shall be fixed at 4 per cent per year for a product in category 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 or 8;
- (b) for products in categories falling within Group II, III, IV or V, the growth rate shall be fixed by agreement between the parties in accordance with the consultation procedure established in Article 12 of the Agreement. Such growth rate may in no case be lower than the highest rate applied to corresponding products under bilateral agreements concluded under the Geneva Arrangement between the Community and other third countries having a level of trade equal to or comparable with that of Sri Lanka.

DECLARATION

Concerning Article 2(3) of the Agreement

The Community declares that, in accordance with the Community rules on origin referred to in Article 2(3) of the Agreement, any amendments to the said rules will remain based upon criteria not requiring, in order to confer originating status, more extensive operations than those which constitute a single complete process.

Done at Brussels,

For the European Economic Community

JOINT DECLARATION

Concerning Batik Fabrics and Products Thereof

- A. The Community and Sri Lanka agree that batik fabric may not be described as having been produced by the traditional handicraft batik process unless, for each of the colours or shades applied to the fabric, each of the following three operations has been carried out by hand:
- (a) waxing (application of wax by hand to the fabric),
 - (b) dyeing/painting (application of colour either by the traditional cottage method of dyeing or by hand-painting),
 - (c) dewaxing (boiling the fabric to remove the wax).
- B. The parties hereby further agree to the following arrangements:
1. The competent Community authorities will accept as traditional folklore handicraft textile products within the meaning of Article 1(c) of Protocol B all batik fabrics, irrespective of the method of manufacture of the basic fabric, and all products made or made up therefrom, whether sewn by hand or on a hand- or foot-operated sewing machine, provided that the process of applying colours and shades to the fabric has been the traditional handicraft batik process described at A above, and subject to appropriate certification by the competent Sri Lanka authorities.
 2. The competent Sri Lanka authorities will issue certificates conforming to the model annexed to Protocol B for batik fabrics or products thereof only when such fabrics or products have been produced by the processes, including in particular the traditional handicraft batik process, specified in the preceding paragraph.

Done at Brussels,

For the European Economic Community

For the Government of
Sri Lanka

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

In implementation of the licensing arrangements set out in Protocol A, the Community and Sri Lanka agree that, as regards exports from Sri Lanka to the Federal Republic of Germany, the system outlined in the Annex appended hereto shall apply as from the date of coming into operation of the Agreement. The Community will consider the question of extension of this system to exports from Sri Lanka to other regions of the Community and will notify Sri Lanka in the event that such extension can be agreed.

Brussels, 23 December 1977

Head of the Delegation of the
Republic of Sri Lanka

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European Economic Community

ANNEX TO THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
CONCERNING ADVANCE NOTICES OF ISSUE OF EXPORT LICENCES

The competent authorities of Sri Lanka may at their discretion issue, in respect of products subject to quantitative limitation which are intended to be exported, an Advance Notice of Issue of Export Licence conforming to the model attached to this Annex. In issuing each such Advance Notice, the said authorities undertake:

- to issue, before exportation of the products specified in the Advance Notice, an export licence conforming to the model annexed to Protocol A, and definitively to set off the quantity actually exported against the relevant quantitative limit for the year in which the exportation takes place;
- to ensure that the quantity actually exported shall not be greater than that specified in the Advance Notice;
- in the event that exportation is not effected within the year specified in the Advance Notice, to notify the competent Community authorities accordingly.

The competent Community authorities shall, upon presentation of an Advance Notice of Issue of Export Licence, issue an import authorization or document in accordance with the provisions of Protocol A, and shall set off the limit in their records.

In the event that the quantity actually exported, and therefore specified in an export licence, is less than that stated in the relevant Advance Notice or that the competent Community authorities receive notification that exportation of the goods specified in an Advance Notice will not be or has not been effected within the year specified therein, the said authorities shall duly adjust their records.

1. Exporter (name, full address, country) Exportateur (nom, adresse complète, pays)	ORIGINAL		2. No
	3. Quota year Année contingentaire	4. Category No No de catégorie	
5. Consignee (name, full address, country) Destinataire (nom, adresse complète, pays)	ADVANCE NOTICE OF ISSUE OF EXPORT LICENCE (TEXTILE PRODUCTS) AVIS PRÉALABLE D'OBTENIR D'UNE LICENCE D'EXPORTATION (PRODUITS TEXTILES)		
	6. Country of origin Pays d'origine	7. Country of destination Pays de destination	
8. Place and date of shipment - means of transport Lieu et date d'embarquement - moyen de transport	9. Supplementary details Données supplémentaires		
10. Marks and numbers-Number and kind of packages-DESCRIPTION OF GOODS Marques et numéros-Nombre et nature des colis-DESIGNATION DES MARCHANDISES		11. Quantity(1) Quantité(1)	12. Value FOB(2) Valeur FOB(2)
<p>13. CERTIFICATION BY THE COMPETENT AUTHORITY - VISA DE L'AUTORITE COMPETENTE</p> <p>I, the undersigned, certify that the goods described above have been charged against the quantitative limit established for the year shown in box No 3 in respect of the category shown in box No 4 by the provisions regulating trade in textile products with the European Economic Community.</p> <p>Je soussigné certifie que les marchandises désignées ci-dessus ont été imputées sur la limite quantitative fixée pour l'année indiquée dans la case No 3 pour la catégorie désignée dans la case No 4 dans le cadre des dispositions régissant les échanges de produits textiles avec la Communauté Economique Européenne.</p> <p>I undertake that an export licence will be issued for that quantity of the goods described above which is actually exported and I further declare that, if such quantity is less than that specified above, the amount charged against the quantitative limit will be adjusted accordingly.</p> <p>Je m'engage à délivrer une licence d'exportation pour la quantité de marchandises identiques à celles décrites ci-dessus qui sera effectivement exportée.</p>			
14. Competent authority (name, full address, country) Autorité compétente (nom, adresse complète, pays)		At - A on - le	
		(Signature)	(Stamp - Cachet)

EXCHANGE OF NOTES

The Mission of the Republic of Sri Lanka to the European Communities presents its compliments to the Directorate-General for External Relations of the Commission of the European Communities and has the honour to refer to the Agreement in textile products negotiated between the Republic of Sri Lanka and the Community and initialled on 23 December 1977.

The Mission of the Republic of Sri Lanka wishes to inform the Directorate-General that whilst awaiting the completion of the necessary procedures for the conclusion and the coming into force of the Agreement, the Government of the Republic of Sri Lanka is prepared to allow the provisions of the Agreement to apply de facto from 1 January 1978 if this is the wish of the Community.

The Mission of the Republic of Sri Lanka would be grateful if the Community would confirm its agreement to the foregoing.

The Mission of the Republic of Sri Lanka understands that the present note and the Community's note in reply shall constitute an Agreement between the Government of the Republic of Sri Lanka and the Community.

The Mission of the Republic of Sri Lanka avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Directorate-General for External Relations the assurance of its highest consideration.

The Directorate-General for External Relations of the Commission presents its compliments to the Mission of the Republic of Sri Lanka to the European Communities and has the honour to refer to the Mission's note of today reading as follows:

"The Mission of the Republic of Sri Lanka to the European Communities presents its compliments to the Directorate-General for External Relations of the Commission of the European Communities and has the honour to refer to the Agreement in textile products negotiated between the Republic of Sri Lanka and the Community and initialled on 23 December 1977.

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The Directorate-General for External Relations has the honour to confirm to the Mission of the Republic of Sri Lanka that it is agreed on the content of the foregoing note and considers therefore that the exchange of notes constitutes an agreement between the Government of the Republic of Sri Lanka and the Community.

The Directorate-General for External Relations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Mission of the Republic of Sri Lanka to the European Communities the assurance of its highest consideration.

ANNEX II

INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

AGREEMENT

BETWEEN THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY

AND THE REPUBLIC OF SRI LANKA

Q = QUOTA

B = BASKET

Prodds - Products	Année	Région	Unité - Unit	UE	D	F	I	EL	U	IRI	Z
5. Chandails, full-overs ... Jerseys, full-overs ...	1979			700							
	1979			742							
	1980	B		787							
	1981			833							
	1982			884							
6. Pantalons tissés hommes et femmes et culottes hommes Men's and wccen's woven trousers and men's shorts and breeches	1978			1 600							
	1979		1000 pieces	1 680							
	1980	Q		1 766							
	1981			1 852							
	1982			1 945							
7. Chemisiers tissés et de bonneterie pour femmes Women's woven and knitted blouses	1978			2 740							
	1979			2 791							
	1980	Q	1000 pieces	2 833							
	1981			2 876							
	1982			2 919							
8. Chemises tissées pour hommes Men's woven shirts	1978			3 100							
	1979			3 131							
	1980	Q	1000 pieces	3 162							
	1981			3 194							
	1982			3 226							

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PRODUCTS OF GROUPS II, III, IV, V AND VI

It is agreed that exports of these products shall receive basket treatment.