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GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

Textiles Surveillance Body

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ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification Under Article 4

Amendments to the Bilateral Agreements Concluded between the United States and Romania

The Textiles Surveillance Body received a notification from the United States of certain amendments to its wool and man-made fibre agreement^{1/}, as well as to its cotton agreement^{2/}, both concluded under Article 4 of the Arrangement with Romania.

Pursuant to its procedure regarding the review of bilateral agreements under Article 4^{3/}, the TSB examined the relevant documentation, and is circulating the text of the notification to participating countries for their information.

^{1/} For original agreement and previous amendments see COM.TEX/SB/267, 294 and 347.

^{2/} For original agreement see COM.TEX/SB/301.

^{3/} See COM.TEX/SB/35, Annex B.

UNITED STATES AND ROMANIA
AMEND TEXTILE AGREEMENT

The United States and Romania exchanged letters dated October 13, 1978 and October 14, 1978 to amend the existing bilateral textile agreement. The texts of the letters follow:

UNITED STATES LETTER

October 13, 1978

Mr. Napoleon Fodor
Economic Counselor
Embassy of the Socialist
Republic of Romania
1607 23rd St. N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20008

Dear Mr. Fodor:

I refer to the Agreement between the United States of America and the Socialist Republic of Romania Relating to Trade in Cotton Textiles, with Annex, effected by exchange of notes January 6 and 25, 1978, as amended ("the Agreement"), and to discussions held in Washington, D.C. between representatives of our two countries October 3 through October 5, 1978. As a result of those discussions, I propose that the Agreement be amended as follows:

1. Paragraph 4 of the Agreement shall be amended to read as follows:

"4. The apparel group limit covering categories 330-333 and 335-359, for each Agreement Year shall be as follows:

LIMIT
(SQUARE YARDS EQUIVALENT)

1st Agreement Year	16,920,000
(January 1 - December 31, 1978)	

2nd Agreement Year (January 1 - December 31, 1979)	17,730,000
3rd Agreement Year (January 1 - December 31, 1980)	18,970,200
4th Agreement Year (January 1 - December 31, 1981)	20,284,812
5th Agreement Year (January 1 - December 31, 1982)	21,678,300

2. Paragraph 5(B) shall be amended to set out a new sub-category and to establish new levels as follows:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Level</u> (Square Yards Equivalent)	
	First Agreement Year (1978)	Second, Third, Fourth and Fifth Agreement Years (1979-1982)
"334 - Other coats, M and B	7,695,000	9,760,000
(334 Part, other than zippered sweatshirts currently in TSUSA 380.0611)	(1,500,000)	(1,500,000) "
"338 - Knit shirts, M and B	2,160,000	(1,800,000)
(338 Part, other than T-shirts and sweatshirts)	(700,000)	(700,000) "

3. Annex A shall be amended to establish new conversion factors as follows:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Conversion Factor</u>	<u>Unit of Measure</u>
445	Sweaters, M and B	14.88	DZ.
446	Sweaters, W, G and I	14.88	DZ.

If the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the Government of the Socialist Republic of Romania, this letter and your letter of confirmation on behalf of the Government of the Socialist Republic of Romania shall constitute an amendment to the Agreement, effective on the date of your letter of confirmation.

Sincerely,

/S/Robert D. Hormats
Deputy Assistant Secretary
for Economic and Business Affairs

ROMANIAN LETTER

Mr. Robert Hormats
Deputy Assistant Secretary
for Economic and Business Affairs
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mr. Hormats,

I refer to your letter of October 13, 1978 dealing with new levels in categories 334 and 338 and the new conversion factor for categories 445 and 446, as a result of discussion held in Washington D.C. between representatives of the two countries.

Please be informed that the Romanian authorities are accepting the mentioned Amendments, as they are outlined in your letter.

Consequently your letter dated October 13, 1978 and the present letter of confirmation, are accordingly amending the cotton textile agreement effected by exchange of notes of January 6 and 25, 1978.

Sincerely,
/S/ Napoleon Fodor
Economic Counsellor

UNITED STATES AND ROMANIA
AMEND TEXTILE AGREEMENT

The United States and Romania exchanged letters dated July 27, 1978 and September 11, 1978 to amend the existing bilateral textile agreement. The texts of the letters follow:

UNITED STATES LETTER

July 27, 1978

Mr. Napoleon Fodor
Economic Counselor
Embassy of the Socialist
Republic of Romania
Office of the Economic Counselor
573-577 Third Avenue
New York, NY 10016

Dear Mr. Fodor:

I refer to Mr. Horotan's letter of June 24, 1978 to Mr. Paul Boeker requesting permission to exceed the limitations set for the 1978 agreement year in a number of categories by the Romanian bilateral agreements of June 17, 1977 (as amended) and January 6, 1978.

My Government proposes that new designated consultation levels be set as follows:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Designated Consultation Level</u> <u>Square Yards Equivalent</u>
340 Shirts, not knit	2,820,000
352 Underwear	2,660,000
635 Coats, women's, girls' and infants	848,680
647 Trousers, men's and boys'	878,000
659 Other apparel	1,812,000

If these levels are acceptable to your Government, this letter and your letter of confirmation shall constitute an agreement amending the June 17, 1977 and January 6, 1978 bilateral textile agreements between our two Governments.

Sincerely,
/S/Robert Hormats
Deputy Assistant Secretary
for Economic and Business Affairs

ROMANIAN LETTER

September 11, 1978

Mr. Robert Hormats
Deputy Assistant Secretary
for Economic and Business Affairs
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mr. Hormats,

I refer to your letter of July 27, 1978 dealing with new consultation levels in categories 340, 352, 635, 647 and 659, in answer to our letter of June 24, 1978.

Please be informed that Romanian authorities are accepting the new consultation levels for the above mentioned categories, as they are outlined in your letter of July 27, 1978.

Consequently your letter dated July 27, 1978 and the present letter of confirmation, are accordingly amending the June 17, 1977 and January 6, 1978 bilateral textile agreements between our two Governments.

Sincerely.

/S/ Napoleon Fodor
Economic Counsellor

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