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ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4

Amendment to the Bilateral Agreement between
the United States and Haiti

The Textiles Surveillance Body has received a notification from the United States of two further amendments to its bilateral agreement with Haiti concluded under Article 4 of the Arrangement.^{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 the notification to participating countries for their information.

^{1/} For original agreement and prior amendments see COM.TEX/SB/179, 202, 235, 261, 295, 302 and 392.

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

March 1, 1979
No. 56

UNITED STATES AND HAITI
AMEND BILATERAL TEXTILE
AGREEMENT

The United States and Haiti exchanged notes December 28, 1978 and December 29, 1978 respectively, to amend the existing bilateral agreement. The texts of the notes follow:

UNITED STATES NOTE

December 28, 1978

His Excellency
Gerard Dorcely
Secretary of State of the
Department of Foreign Affairs
Port-au-Prince

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles, with annexes, done at Geneva on December 23, 1973, and extended by protocol adopted on December 14, 1977 at Geneva (hereinafter referred to as the Arrangement).

I also have the honor to refer to the agreement between the United States of America and Haiti relating to trade in cotton, wool, and man-made fiber textiles, with annexes, effected by exchange of notes March 22 and 23, 1976, as amended (the Agreement) and to recent discussions between representatives of the Governments of the United States of America and Haiti concerning the extension of the Agreement. As a result of these discussions, and in conformity with Article 4 of the Arrangement, I propose on behalf of my Government that the Agreement be amended as follows:

1. The Agreement is extended to cover the three month period from January 1, 1979 through March 31, 1979.

2. The agreement year covering the 12 month period January 1, 1978 through December 31, 1978 under the Agreement is extended to include the three month period beginning January 1, 1979 and ending March 31, 1979, with the aggregate limit, the group limits and each specific limit applicable during the 15 month agreement period beginning January 1, 1978 and ending March 31, 1979, being equal to 126.75 percent of the corresponding limit applicable during the 12 month agreement year beginning January 1, 1978, and ending December 31, 1978.

3. For the 15 month agreement period beginning January 1, 1978 and ending March 31, 1979, consultation levels shall be 125 percent of the corresponding levels for the 12 month agreement year beginning on January 1, 1978 and ending on December 31, 1978.

If the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the Government of the Republic of Haiti, this note and your Excellency's note of confirmation will constitute an agreement between the Government of the Republic of Haiti and the United States of America, amending the Agreement, effective on the date of your note of confirmation.

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

/S/ William B. Jones
Ambassador

HAITIAN NOTE

Port-au-Prince, December 29, 1978
Republic of Haiti
Department of Foreign Affairs

His Excellency
William B. Jones
Ambassador of the
United States of America

Mr. Ambassador:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your note of December 28, 1978, which reads as follows:

See U.S. note.

I take pleasure in informing you that the Haitian Government accepts the amendments specified in Paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 and considers that the note from the Embassy of the United States of America and this reply constitute an agreement between our two Governments in this regard.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to you, Mr. Ambassador, the assurances of my high consideration.

/S/ Gerard Dorcely
Secretary of State

March 9, 1979
No. 64

UNITED STATES AND HAITI
AMEND TEXTILE AGREEMENT

The United States and Haiti exchanged letters dated February 16, 1979 and February 8, 1979 to amend the existing textile agreement. The texts of the letters follow:

UNITED STATES LETTER

February 16, 1979

His Excellency
Emmanuel Bros
Secretary of State ad interim
Department of Commerce and Industry

Excellency,

I refer to the agreement between our two Governments relating to trade in cotton, wool and man-made fiber textiles, with annex, effected by exchange of notes in Port-au-Prince March 22 and 23, 1976, as amended (The Agreement). I also refer to your letter of February 8, 1979 requesting an increase in the designated consultation level for category 659 (Other Man-made Fiber Apparel) to 440,000 pounds for the 15 month agreement period January 1, 1978 through March 31, 1979. My Government agrees to your request and, therefore, your letter and this letter shall constitute an agreement amending the Agreement accordingly.

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

Sincerely,

/S/ William B. Jones
Ambassador

HAITIAN LETTER
(INFORMAL TRANSLATION)

February 8, 1979

Mr. Robert G. Richmond
First Secretary
American Embassy

Mr. First Secretary:

Referring to the arrangement regarding International Trade in Textiles, with annexes, done at Geneva on December 23, 1973, and extended by a protocol adopted on December 14, 1977 and

Also to the agreement between the United States of America and Haiti relating to trade in cotton, wool and man-made fiber textiles with annexes, effected by exchange of notes on March 22 and 23, 1976, as amended, and to the extension of the Agreement effected by exchange of notes of December 23 and 29, 1978, I have the honor to inform you that the Government of Haiti would like to inform the Government of the United States of America that we have reached the consultation level for category 659 (other apparels) of the agreement. The Haitian Government would like to avoid the severe hardship which could occur to Haitian manufacturers if the Government of the United States of America would restrain Haitian exports of textile products covered by category 659 of the agreement.

Therefore, the Government asks that consultation level for category 659 be raised to 440,000 pound over the life of the agreement period due to expire on March 31, 1979.

I avail myself of the opportunity to renew, Mr. First Secretary the assurances of my distinguished consideration.

/S/ Emmanuel Bros
Secretary of State