

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON  
TARIFFS AND TRADE

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Textiles Surveillance Body

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ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4

Amendment to the Bilateral Agreement between  
the United States and India

The Textiles Surveillance Body has received a notification from the United States of two further amendments to its bilateral agreement with India, concluded under Article 4 of the Arrangement.<sup>1/</sup>

The TSB, pursuant to its procedure regarding bilateral agreements notified under Article 4<sup>2/</sup>, has examined the relevant documentation and is circulating the text of the notification to participating countries for their information.

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<sup>1/</sup> For original agreement and prior amendments, see COM.TEX/SB/315, 340, 356, 394 and 439.

<sup>2/</sup> See COM.TEX/SB/35, Annex B.

UNITED STATES AND INDIA  
AMEND TEXTILE AGREEMENT

The United States and India amended their bilateral textile agreement by means of the following:

UNITED STATES NOTE

May 7, 1979

His Excellency  
N.A. Palkhivala  
Ambassador of India

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to the agreement between the United States of America and India relating to trade in cotton, wool, and man-made fiber textiles and textile products, with Annexes, effected by exchange of notes December 30, 1977, as amended (hereinafter referred to as the Agreement), and to the note of December 14, 1978 from the Embassy of India to the Department of State.

I have also the honor to propose, on behalf of my government, the following new consultation levels for the 1979 agreement year:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Level In Square Yards Equivalent</u>
342	1,500,000
359	2,000,000
627	3,000,000
666	2,500,000

If the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the Government of India, this note and Your Excellency's note of confirmation on behalf of the Government of India shall constitute an agreement amending the Agreement.

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

For the Secretary of State:

/S/ William Barraclough

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INDIAN NOTE

May 8, 1979

His Excellency  
Cyrus R. Vance  
Secretary of State

Excellency:

I have the honour to refer to the agreement between India and the United States of America relating to trade in cotton, wool, and man-made fiber textiles and textile products, with Annexes, effected by exchange of notes on December 30, 1977, as amended (hereinafter referred to as the Agreement), to the note of April 4, 1979 from the Embassy of India, and to Your Excellency's note of May 7, 1979.

On behalf of my Government, I have the honour to accept the proposals contained in Your Excellency's note of May 7, 1979.

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

For the Ambassador of India

/S/ R. K. Jerath

UNITED STATES AND INDIA  
AMEND TEXTILE AGREEMENT

The United States and India amended their bilateral textile agreement by means of the following:

UNITED STATES NOTE

June 20, 1979

His Excellency  
N.A. Palkhivala  
Ambassador of India

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to the agreement between the United States of America and India relating to trade in cotton, wool, and man-made fiber textiles and textile products, with annexes effected by exchange of notes December 30, 1977, as amended (hereinafter referred to as the Agreement). I have also the honor to refer to recent discussions between representatives of the Government of the United States of America and the Government of India concerning exports to the United States of cotton, wool, and man-made fiber textiles and textile products manufactured in India. As a result of these discussions, I wish to propose that the Agreement be further amended as follows:

1. The consultation levels for five categories for the 1979 Agreement Year shall be adjusted as follows:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Consultation Level</u> (In Square Yards Equivalent)
335	1,000,000
342	1,750,000
442	150,000
447	150,000
641	1,000,000

2. Exports of cotton, wool, and man-made fiber textiles and textile products in shipments valued at \$250.00 or less and merchandise for the personal use of the importer and not for resale shall not be charged to the limits of the Agreement.

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2. Exports of cotton, wool and man-made fiber textiles and textile products in shipments valued at \$250.00 or less and merchandise for the personal use of the importer and not for resale shall not be charged to the limits of the Agreement.

3. Merchandise imported under the existing TSUSA numbers 360.05, 360.10, 360.15, 360.76, 360.78, 361.42, 361.44, and 361.54 is not subject to the terms of the Agreement.

4. Upon exchange of letters, a new administrative arrangement for a visa and certification system will supersede the existing one effected by exchange of letters of February 19, 1976, as amended.

5. This amendment shall supersede any provisions of the Agreement which are inconsistent with the provisions of their amendment.

If the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the Government of India, this note and Your Excellency's note of confirmation on behalf of the Government of India shall constitute an amendment to the Agreement.

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

For the Secretary of State:

/S/ William Barraclough

INDIAN NOTE

June 20, 1979

Excellency:

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your note of June 20, 1979, which reads as follows:

" I have the honor to refer to the agreement between the United States of America and India relating to trade in cotton, wool, and man-made fiber textiles and textile products, with Annexes, effected by exchange of notes December 30, 1977, as amended (hereinafter referred to as the Agreement). I have also the honor to refer to recent discussions between representatives of the Government of the United States of America and the Government of India concerning exports to the United States of cotton, wool, and man-made fiber textiles and textile products manufactured in India. As a result of these discussions, I wish to propose that the Agreement be further amended as follows:

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447	150,000
641	1,000,000.

2. Exports of cotton, wool and man-made fiber textiles and textile products in shipments valued at \$250.00 or less and merchandise for the personal use of the importer and not for resale shall not be charged to the limits of the Agreement.

3. Merchandise imported under the existing TSUSA numbers 360.05, 360.10, 360.15, 360.76, 360.78, 361.42, 361.44, and 361.54 is not subject to the terms of the Agreement.

4. Upon exchange of letters, a new administrative arrangement for a visa and certification system will supersede the existing one effected by exchange of letters of February 19, 1976, as amended.

5. This amendment shall supersede any provisions of the Agreement which are inconsistent with the provisions of this amendment.

If the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the Government of India, this note and Your Excellency's note of confirmation on behalf of the Government of India shall constitute an amendment to the Agreement."

On behalf of my Government I confirm that the foregoing proposals correctly reflect the understandings reached between our two Governments, and that Your Excellency's note and this note shall constitute an amendment to the Agreement.

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

For the Ambassador of India



His Excellency

Cyrus R. Vance

Secretary of State

Washington D.C.