

# GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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## ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

### Notification under Articles 7 and 8

The Textiles Surveillance Body had received a communication from the United States regarding a series of restrictions imposed by the United States on imports of certain textile goods emanating from the People's Republic of China, a non-participating country. This notification has been made bearing in mind the request by the Textiles Committee that agreements concluded with, or actions taken against, non-participants should be notified.

The TSB is circulating the text of this communication to participating countries for their information.

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Text of Federal Register Notice on Unilateral Textile  
Restraints Published Wednesday, June 6, 1979, in  
44 FR 32433

"Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements  
Import Restraint Levels for Certain Cotton and Man-made  
Fiber Apparel from the Peoples Republic of China.

"June 5, 1979.

"On January 4, 1979, there was published in the Federal  
Register (44 FR 1211) a notice dated January 3, 1979,  
announcing forthcoming discussions concerning cotton,  
wool and man-made fiber textile products exported to  
the United States from the Peoples Republic of China  
and soliciting public comment thereon.

"A series of discussions have taken place between the  
two Governments in 1979 concerning the appropriate  
levels of exports of certain of these products to the  
United States. No agreement has yet been reached on  
these levels.

"The Government of the United States has informed the  
Government of the Peoples Republic of China that for  
the twelve-month period beginning on May 31, 1979 and  
extending through May 30, 1980, imports of apparel in  
categories 331 (cotton gloves), 339 (women's, girls'  
and infants' cotton knit blouses), 340 (men's and boys'  
woven cotton shirts), 347/348 (men's and boys', women's,  
girls' and infants' cotton trousers), and 645/646 (men's  
and boys', women's, girls' and infants' man-made fiber  
sweaters) that have been exported on and after May 31,  
1979 will be limited to the following levels:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Twelve-month Level of Restraint</u>
331	2,946,006 dozen pairs
339	535,659 dozen
340	354,613 dozen
347/348	1,088,632 dozen
645/646	334,834 dozen

"This action is taken pursuant to Section 204 of the  
Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended.

"Further discussions with the Government of the Peoples  
Republic of China are anticipated. (This action)....  
is subject, therefore, to termination or revision as a  
result of those discussions...."