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ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Article 4 Notification

Amendment to the Bilateral Agreement between the EEC and Malaysia

The Textiles Surveillance Body has received from the EEC a notification of an amendment to its existing initialled bilateral agreement, which had been concluded under Article 4 of the Arrangement, between the EEC and Malaysia 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 amendment to participating countries.

^{1/} For original agreement see COM.TEX/SB/420.

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

AGREED MINUTE

1. Representatives of the Federation of Malaysia and the European Economic Community met on 15 September 1978 in Brussels for consultations in accordance with Article 14 of the Agreement on trade in textiles between the Community and Malaysia initialled on 21 December 1977.

2. As a result of these consultations, Malaysia agreed to limit its exports to gloves (Category 11, Nimex positions 60.02-50; 60; 70; 80) to France to the following levels:

1978: 1,180,000 pairs
(exceptionally, a supplementary quantity of 70,000 pairs can be drawn in 1978 only, if requested by the supplying country)

1979: 1,300,000 pairs

1980: 1,300,000 pairs plus growth rate of 6 per cent = 1,378,000 pairs

1981: 1,378,000 pairs plus growth rate of 6 per cent = 1,461,000 pairs

1982: 1,461,000 pairs plus growth rate of 6 per cent = 1,548,000 pairs

3. It is the understanding of both parties that the provisions of the Agreement which concern exports of products subject to quantitative limits established in Annex II, in particular the licence procedures set out in Protocol A, shall also apply to exports of gloves from Malaysia to France.

4. It is the understanding of both parties that the flexibility provisions set out in Article 5 of the Agreement are applicable to the limit for exports of gloves from Malaysia to France. In 1978 the reference quantity for the purpose of applying the flexibility provisions is to be 1,180,000 pairs.

5. It is the understanding of both parties that the levels agreed for exports of gloves to France shall not be regarded as a precedent for any other quantitative limits which may be requested by the Community under the provisions of Article 6 of the Agreement.

Brussels, 15 September 1978