

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4

Bilateral Agreement between Sweden and Korea

The Textiles Surveillance Body has received a notification from Sweden regarding a new Article 4 agreement^{1/}, concluded between Sweden and Korea covering certain textile products, for the period 1 March 1979 to 28 February 1981.

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 the participating countries.^{3/}

^{1/} For details of the previous agreement and the TSB's observations thereon, see document COM.TEX/SB/388, paragraph 3.

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

^{3/} See COM.TEX/SB/477, paragraphs 2 to 11, for observations of the TSB.

REPUBLIC OF KOREA

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs presents its compliments to the Embassy of Sweden and has the honour to refer to the negotiations held from 12 to 14 May 1979 between representatives of the Republic of Korea and Sweden concerning trade relations in textile products, and to inform the latter that the terms of the initialled Agreement of 14 May 1979, a copy of which is hereto attached, are acceptable to the Government of the Republic of Korea.

The Ministry has further the honour to propose that, if the terms of the above-mentioned Agreement are also acceptable to the Government of Sweden, this Note and the Embassy's Note in reply to that effect shall constitute an Agreement between the two Governments, to enter into force on the date of the Embassy's Note in reply.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Embassy of Sweden the assurances of its highest consideration.

Enclosures:

The Embassy of the
Kingdom of Sweden
Seoul

Seoul, July 4, 1979

Agreement between the Government of the
Republic of Korea and the Government of
Sweden concerning exports of certain
textile products from the Republic of
Korea to Sweden

Article 1

The following Agreement has been reached with reference to the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles, particularly articles 1:2 and 4, and the provisions of GATT document COM. TEX/W/47.

Article 2

This Agreement shall apply with effect from March 1, 1979 and shall be applicable until February 28, 1981.

Article 3

The Government of the Republic of Korea will limit exports to Sweden of the textile products listed in Annex I to this Agreement to the aggregate levels, group levels and sublevels set out in that Annex.

Article 4

- (a) This Agreement shall apply to exports from the Republic of Korea to Sweden of the textile products described in Annex I hereof of cotton, wool or man-made fibres, or blend thereof, in which any or all of those fibres in combination represent either the chief value of the fibres or 50 per cent or more by weight (or 17 per cent or more by weight of wool).
- (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of this Article this Agreement shall also apply to the products described in Annex I hereof, which are manufactured from impregnated fabrics as defined in Annex II of this Agreement.

Article 5

The Government of Sweden will admit imports of the textile products of Korean origin listed in Annex I, provided that such imports are covered by a "Recommendation" with consecutive numbering given therein, as per specimen in Annex III issued by the proper Korean authorities listed in Annex IV. Such a document shall bear an endorsement by

proper officials that the consignments concerned have been debited to the agreed levels for exports to Sweden for the relevant period. The date of shipment indicated on the shipping documents shall be considered to be the date of delivery (exportation).

Article 6

In addition to the flexibility incorporated in the groups and in the specific group limits in Annex I hereof the following provisions shall apply.

Carryover

- (a) If in the period 1 March 1978 to 28 February 1979 exports from the Republic of Korea to Sweden of the products covered by the Agreement of 28 February 1978 are less than the corresponding levels specified in Annex I thereto, as adjusted to redress the balance after earlier overshipments, the Government of the Republic of Korea may, after consultation with the Government of Sweden, during the period 1 March 1979 to 29 February 1980 approve the export of additional amounts equivalent to such shortfalls provided that such exports-

- (i) are in the same groups where the shortfalls occurred;
 - (ii) do not exceed 5 percent of the levels of these groups specified in the Agreement of 28 February 1978.

- (b) If in the period 1 March 1979 to 29 February 1980 exports from the Republic of Korea, to Sweden of the products covered by specific group limits in Annex I to this Agreement are less than the corresponding limits specified in column(e) of that Annex, the Government of the Republic of Korea may, after consultation with the Government of Sweden, for the period 1 March 1980 to 28 February 1981 approve the export of additional amounts equivalent to such shortfalls provided that such exports-
 - (i) are in the same specific groups/subgroups where the shortfalls occurred;
 - (ii) do not exceed 5 percent of the specific group/subgroup limits set out in column(e) of Annex I to this Agreement.

Carry Forward

- (c) If in the period 1 March 1978 to 28 February 1979 exports from the Republic of Korea to Sweden of the products covered by the Agreement of 28 February 1978 exceed the corresponding levels specified in Annex I thereto as a result of carry forward in accordance with Article 5 of that Agreement, the Government of the Republic of Korea shall inform the Government of Sweden of the carry forward quantities and debit these to the corresponding specific group limits for the period 1 March, 1979 to 29 February 1980 set out in column(e) of Annex I to this Agreement.
- (d) During the period 1 March 1979 to 29 February 1980 the Government of the Republic of Korea, after consultation with the Government of Sweden, may approve the export of amounts in excess of the specific group limits in column(e) of Annex I to this Agreement up to 2.5 per cent of those limits (carry forward). Where the specific group limits are increased by carry forward the Government of the Republic of Korea shall inform the Government of

Sweden of carry forward quantities and debit these to the corresponding specific group limits for the period 1 March 1980 to 28 February 1981 set out in column(f) of Annex I to this Agreement.

- (e) During the period 1 March 1980 to 28 February 1981 the Government of the Republic of Korea, after consultation with the Government of Sweden, may approve the export of amounts in excess of the specific group limits in column(f) of Annex I to this Agreement up to 2.5 per cent of those limits (carry forward). Where the specific group limits are increased by carry forward the Government of the Republic of Korea shall inform the Government of Sweden of the carry forward quantities and debit these to any corresponding specific group limits that may be agreed for a subsequent restraint period.

Article 7

If the information available to the Swedish authorities shows that the quantitative limit for the category of products specified in a "Recommendation" has already been reached, or the unused portion of that limit is insufficient

to cover the goods specified in the "Recommendation", the said authorities may refuse to admit any quantity in excess of the quantitative limit. In this event the Swedish authorities shall inform the Korean authorities.

Article 8

Both parties regard it as essential that exports to Sweden of the textile products listed in Annex I are evenly spaced throughout the periods of agreement taking into account normal seasonal factors and that due consideration is given to traditional patterns of trade.

Article 9

- (a) The Government of the Republic of Korea will forward to the Government of Sweden monthly statistics on a cumulative basis of the aggregate quantities as well as of the quantities of specific groups/subgroups listed in Annex I, which have been duly authorized for export to Sweden and debited to the agreed levels in that Annex.

- (b) The Government of Sweden will forward to the Government of the Republic of Korea quarterly statistics on a cumulative basis of imports from the Republic of Korea of the products listed in Annex I to the extent available.

Article 10

The Government of the Republic of Korea and the Government of Sweden agree to consult each other, at the request of either, when any unforeseen problem arises from the implementation of this Agreement. The Government of the Republic of Korea and the Government of Sweden furthermore agree to enter into consultations on the extension, modification or elimination of the limitations before the end of the period of agreement.

Article 11

This Agreement is concluded for a period of two years. Either Government may however terminate this Agreement with effect from 1 March, 1980. Such termination shall be notified not later than 3 months before the expiry of the first year. There shall be mutual consultations before such notification.

Article 12

The Annexes to this Agreement shall be considered as integral parts of the Agreement.

ANNEX I

Exports of certain Textiles from the Republic of Korea to Sweden

Group No.	Ex Swedish Statistical Number	Description	Unit	Limit for period 1 March 1979 to 29 Feb. 1980 (e)	Limit for period 1 March 1980 to 28 Feb. 1981 (f)	Conversion factor Units per kilo (g)
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)
Aggregate		In respect of the following Eq. Kilos products subject to specific Group limits		2,818,179	2,820,997	
I	60.03.003-109 902-909	Stockings, under stockings, socks, ankle socks, sockettes and the like, knitted or crocheted, other than ladies' stockings of continuous synthetic fibres	pair	4,000,000	4,004,000	24.0
II	60.04.10- 61.03.10-	Shirts	piece	624,685	625,310	4.5
III	60.04.21-25- 61.03.20- 61.04.10-	Night garments	piece	150,000	150,150	3.5
IV	60.04.70-, 80-, 90-	Underwear, knitted or crocheted, other than shirts, nightwear and tight (including underwear T-shirts)	piece	467,000	467,467	15.0
V	60.05.30-	Sweaters, pullovers, slipovers, jumpers and cardigans etc, knitted or crocheted (including outerwear T-Shirts)	piece	4,861,364	4,866,225	4.5

Group No.	Ex Swedish Statistical Number	Description	Unit	Limit for period 1 March 1979 to 29 Feb. 1980 (e)	Limit for period 1 March 1980 to 28 Feb. 1981 (f)	Conversion factor Units per Kilo
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)
VI	60.05.803-4,809 812,89- 61.01.003,008, 10-,45- 61.02.003,11-,15-, 99	Overcoats and jackets	piece	652,800	653,453	1
VII	60.05.803-4,809,812,89- 61.01.003,008,30-,41- 61.02.008,90-	Suits,men's and boys' wear; lounge coats and blazers	piece	81,200	81,281	1.4
VIII	60.05.802,806 61.01.003,008,50- 61.02.008,60-,99	Trousers, other than shorts	piece	613,060	613,693	2.0
IX	60.05.60- 61.02.008,20-, 30;40-,99-	Costumes, dresses and skirts	piece	253,750	254,004	2.0
X	60.05.803-4, 809,82- 61.02.008,50-,99-	Blouses	piece	412,080	412,492	6.0
XIII	62.02.11-,19- 792-3	Bed linen	Kilo	101,000	101,101	1.0
XIV	62.02.31-,39-,792-3	Towels and similar articles	Kilo	119,000	119,119	1.0

Group No.	Ex Swedish Statistical Number	Description	Unit	Limit for period 1		Conversion factor
				March 1979 to 29 Feb. 1980	March 1980 to 28 Feb. 1981	
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)
Miscellaneous Group (XI, XII)	60.04, 60-60.05.10-20-, 803-4, 809, 89-	Panty hoses and tights, knitted or crocheted, Outer garments, knitted or crocheted, other than sweaters, pullovers etc (group VI), overcoats and jackets (ex group VI), suits, lounge coats and blazers (ex group VII), trousers other than shorts (ex group VIII), costumes, dresses and skirts (ex group IX) and blouses (ex group X)	Kilo	276,050	276,326	1.0
	61.01, 003, 008, 70-, 90-	Outer garments, not knitted or crocheted, men's and boys' wear other than overcoats and jackets (ex group VI), suits, lounge coats and blazers (ex group VII) and trousers other than shorts (ex group VIII)				
	61.02, 008, 80, 90-, 99-	Outer garments, not knitted or crocheted, women's, girls' and infants' wear, other than overcoats and jackets (ex group VI), lounge coats (ex group VII), trousers other than shorts (ex group VIII), costumes, dresses and skirts (ex group IX) and blouses (ex group X)				
	62.01.001-990	Travelling rugs and blankets				

Group No.	Ex Swedish Statistical Number	Description	Unit	Limit for period 1 March 1979 to 29 Feb. 1980 (e)	Limit for period 1 March 1980 to 28 Feb. 1981 (f)	Conversion factor Units per Kilo
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)
Sublevels in the miscellaneous group	60.05.10-, 803-4, 809, 896 61.01, 003, 008, 90- 61.02, 008, 90-, 99-	Track suits	piece	95,000	95,095	1.7
	60.05.20-, 803-4, 809, 896 61.01, 003, 008, 90- 61.02, 008, 90-, 99-	Bathing suits and trunks	piece	109,000	109,109	15.0
	61.05, 803-4, 809, 89- 61.01, 003, 008, 90- 61.02, 008, 90-, 99-	Protective and work clothing (for industrial or occupational use, whether or not also suitable for domestic or leisure time use), rain suits and coveralls, including sets of such garments. (Individually packed and shipped bib overalls and work trousers are to be classified in Group VIII above)	Kilo	65,000	65,065	1.0

ANNEX II

Definition of "Impregnated Fabrics"
for the purposes of Article 4

1. Fabrics of cotton, wool or man-made fibres or any blend containing one or more of those fibres in which either wool represents 17 per cent or more by weight or any or all of those fibres in combination represent 50 per cent or more by weight of the unfinished fabric shall be defined as "impregnated fabrics" where those fabrics have been impregnated, coated, covered or laminated with preparations of cellulose derivatives or of other artificial plastic materials whatever the nature of the plastic material (compact, foam, sponge or expanded).

2. The definition does not cover-
 - (a) Fabrics which, after impregnation, coating, covering or laminating, cannot, without fracturing, be bent manually around a cylinder of a diameter of 7 mm at a temperature between 15° C and 30° C.

 - (b) Fabrics either completely embedded in artificial plastic material or coated or covered on both sides with such material.

ANNEX III

Korean Plastic Goods Exporters' Association

10-1, 2-KA, HOEHYUN-DONG, CHUNG-KU,
SEOUL, KOREA.

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation No.: _____ Date: _____

We hereby recommend that the following goods, which will be charged against the agreed restraint levels(1979. 3. 1.~1980. 2. 28), be exported from Korea to Sweden.

Exporter : _____

Importer : _____

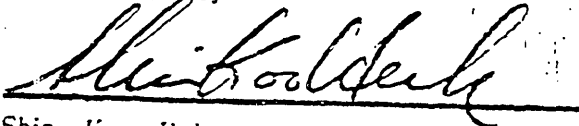
BTN NO.: _____

Description of goods: _____

Quantity : _____

Amount : US\$ / FOB, C&F, CIF.

Recommended by



Shin Koo Huh
Chairman
KOREAN PLASTIC GOODS EXPORTER'S ASSOCIATION

KOREAN GARMENTS EXPORTERS ASSOCIATION

10-1, 2KA, HOEHYUN-DONG, CHUNG-KU,
SEOUL, KOREA.

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation No. : _____ Date : _____

We hereby recommend that the following goods, which will be charged against the agreed restraint levels (1979.3.1 ~ 1980.2.28), be exported from Korea to Sweden.

Exporter : _____

SAMPLE

Importer : _____

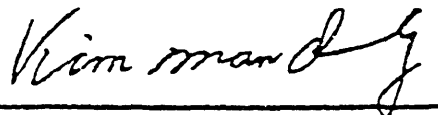
BTN NO. : _____

Description of goods : _____

Quantity : _____

Amount : US\$ _____ /FOB, C&F, CIF.

Recommended by:



MAN JUNG KIM
CHAIRMAN
KOREAN GARMENTS EXPORTERS ASSOCIATION

KOREA YARN AND TEXTILE EXPORT ASSOCIATION

10-1, 2-KA, HOEHYUN-DONG, CHUNG-KU,
SEOUL, KOREA.

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation No. : _____ Date : _____

We hereby recommend that the following goods, which will be charged against the agreed restraint levels (1979. 3. 1. ~ 1980. 2. 28.), be exported from Korea to Sweden.

Exporter : _____

Importer : _____

BTN NO. : _____

Description of goods : _____

Quantity : _____

Amount : US\$ _____ /FOB.C&F.CIF.

Recommended by

KOREA YARN AND TEXTILE EXPORT ASSOCIATION
PRESIDENT

Sas Chang Song

KOREAN KNITTED GOODS EXPORTERS ASSOCIATION

10 1, 2-KA, HOEHYUN-DONG, CHUNG-KU,
SEOUL, KOREA

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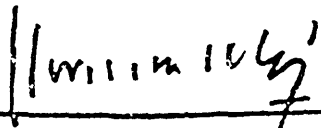
BTN NO.: _____

Description of goods: _____

Quantity : _____

Amount : _____ FOB, C&F, CIF

Recommended by



WOO-CHOONG KIM
CHAIRMAN
KOREAN KNITTED GOODS EXPORTERS ASSOCIATION

KOREAN SWEATER EXPORTERS ASSOCIATION

10-1, 2-KA, HOEHYUN-DONG, CHUNG-KU,
SEOUL, KOREA.

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation No. : _____ Date : _____

We hereby recommend that the following goods, which will be charged against the
agreed restraint levels (~~1978.3.1-1979.2.28~~), be exported from Korea to Sweden.
1979.2.29 (1979.3.1-1980.2.28)

Exporter : _____

Importer : _____

BTN NO. : _____

Description of goods : _____

Quantity : _____

Amount : US \$ _____ /FOB.C&F.CIF.

Recommended by

~~Signature~~
KOREAN SWEATER EXPORTERS ASSOCIATION
SEATTLE

KOREA COTTON TEXTILES EXPORT ASSOCIATION

10-1, 2-KA, HOEHYUN-DONG, CHUNG-KU,
SEOUL, KOREA.

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation No. : _____ Date : _____

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Importer : _____

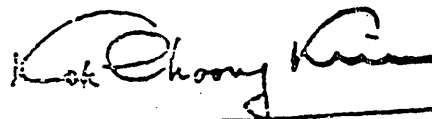
BTN NO.: _____

Description of goods : _____

Quantity : _____

Amount : US\$ _____ /FOB.C&F.CIF.

Recommended by



KAK CHOONG. KIM
CHAIRMAN
KOREA COTTON TEXTILES EXPORT ASSOCIATION

ANNEX IV

List of proper authorities issuing recommendations in Korea

1. KOREAN PLASTIC GOODS EXPORTERS' ASSOCIATION
2. KOREAN GARMENTS EXPORTERS ASSOCIATION
3. KOREA YARN AND TEXTILE EXPORT ASSOCIATION
4. KOREAN KNITTED GOODS EXPORTERS ASSOCIATION
5. KOREAN SWEATER EXPORTERS ASSOCIATION
6. KOREA COTTON TEXTILES EXPORT ASSOCIATION

SVERIGES AMBASSAD

SEOUL

The Embassy of Sweden presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and, with reference to the Ministry's Note, dated July 4, 1979, has the honour to inform that the terms of the initialled Agreement of 14 May, 1979, a copy of which is hereto attached, are acceptable to the Government of Sweden.

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Seoul, July 10, 1979

Ministry of Foreign Affairs
SEOUL

Enclosure

Bestyrkes i tjänsten:

