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ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Article 4 Notification

Amendment to the Bilateral Agreement
Between the EEC and the Philippines

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

^{1/}For original agreement, see COM.TEX/SB/452.

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

AGREED MINUTE

1. A delegation of the Republic of the Philippines and of the European Economic Community met on 29, 30 and 31 January 1979 in Brussels for consultations in connection with the implementation of the EC/Philippines Agreement on trade in textile products initialled on 31 December 1977.

2. As a result of these consultations, the Philippines agreed to limit their exports of trousers (Cat. 6, Nimex positions 61.01-62, 64, 66, 72, 74, 76 and 61.02-66, 68, 72) to the Benelux countries from 1 January 1979 to 31 December 1982 to the following levels :

1979	650.000 pieces
1980	676.000 pieces
1981	703.000 pieces
1982	731.000 pieces

Similarly, the Philippines agreed to limit their exports of men's shirts (Cat. 8, Nimex Position 61.03-11, 15, 19) to France and to the United Kingdom respectively to the following amounts :

	F	UK
1979	200.000 pieces	265.000 pieces
1980	208.000 pieces	276.000 pieces
1981	216.000 pieces	287.000 pieces
1982	225.000 pieces	298.000 pieces

These new limitations were agreed on the understanding that all shipments of the products concerned, that left the Philippines before 31 December 1978, namely 1.030.000 trousers to the Benelux, 419.000 shirts to France, 550.000 shirts to the United Kingdom, will not be counted against the agreed quotas.

Finally the Philippines agreed to limit the exports of parkas (Cat. 21, Nimexe Positions 61.01-29, 31, 32; 61.02-25, 26, 28) to France from 1 January 1979 to 31 December 1982 to the following levels :

1979	215.000 pieces
1980	228.000 pieces
1981	242.000 pieces
1982	256.000 pieces

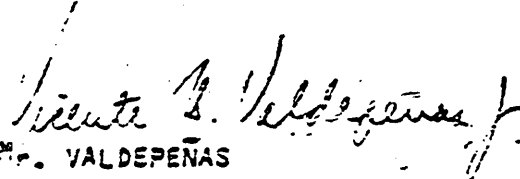
3. It is the understanding of both parties that the provisions of the Agreement which concern exports of products under quantitative limitations set out in the Agreement and in particular the licencing procedures set out in Protocol A shall apply to exports of the above mentioned products as from 10 February 1979. From that date, the competent Philippines authorities will issue export licences and certificates of origin within the above mentioned limits for all exports of trousers, shirts and parkas to the region of the Community concerned. Shipments leaving the Philippines from 1 January to 10 February 1979 will however be counted against the agreed levels for 1979.

4. It was agreed, that a verification of 1978 shipments of products under quantitative limitation as from 1 January 1978 will be operated. Should the apparent overshipment shown by the Community records be confirmed, quantities which exceed the flexibility provisions will be counted against the 1979 Philippines quota levels, or, conditionally to the Community's acceptance, might be considered as exceptional 1978 quota increases.

5. The Philippines delegation reiterated to the Community its request for reallocation of the 1979 Community levels and submitted a request for additional quantities for the 1979 quota levels. Details of the latter demand would be transmitted by a Note Verbale of the Philippines Mission to the European Economic Community.

6. In the absence of a Community legislation on the treatment of samples, it was stated that the provisions of the national legislation of each Member State of the European Economic Community will have to be applied.

Brussels, 31 January 1979


Mr. VALDEPENAS

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Chairman of the delegation of
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Agreed Minute

1. Representatives of the Republic of the Philippines and the European Economic Community met on 12 and 13 October 1978 and on 22 November 1978 in Brussels in connection with the implementation of the EC/Philippines bilateral Agreement on trade in textile products initialed on 31 December 1977.
2. As a result of these discussions, the Philippines agreed to limit their exports of trousers (Cat. 6, Minexc Positions 61.01-62, 64, 66, 72, 74, 76 and 61.02-65, 68, 72) to the United Kingdom from 1979 to 1982 to the following levels:

1979	250.000	pairs
1980	265.000	pairs
1981	282.000	pairs
1982	300.000	pairs

3. It is the understanding of both parties that the provisions of the Agreement which concern exports of products under quantitative limitations set out in the Agreement and in particular the licensing procedures set out in Protocol A shall apply to exports of trousers as from 1 January 1979. From that date, the competent Philippines authorities will issue export licences and certificates of origin within the above-mentioned limits for all exports of trousers to the United Kingdom.

Brussels, 29 November