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ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Article 4 Notification

Amendment to the Bilateral Agreement
between the EEC and Romania

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 Romania, 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 the participating countries.

^{1/} For original agreement see COM.TEX/SB/454.

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

AGREED MINUTE

1. Delegations of the Socialist Republic of Romania and the European Economic Community met on 27 September 1979 at Brussels for consultations in connexion with the implementation of the bilateral EEC/Romania Agreement on Trade in Textile Products initialled on 16 December 1977.

2. As a result of these consultations, Romania agreed to limit its exports to the Benelux countries of women's, girls' and infants' knitted or crocheted petticoats and slips, of synthetic textile fibres, other than babies' garments (Category 69, Nimexe Code 60.04-54) from 1 January 1979 to 31 December 1982 to the following annual levels:

1979	266,000 pieces
1980	279,000 pieces
1981	293,000 pieces
1982	308,000 pieces

3. Exceptionally, a supplementary quantity of 150,000 pieces, for the year 1979 only, has been agreed.

4. By way of derogation from the flexibility provisions, Romania is authorized in 1979, to make advance use of the BNL quota for the year 1980 for this category up to, at most, 150,000 pieces.

5. During these consultations, mention was also made of the question of Romania's exports to Italy of products in Category 21 (parkas, anoraks, windcheaters and the like, woven, of wool, cotton, or synthetic or regenerated textile fibres, Nimexe Code 61.01-29; 31; 32 - 61.02-25; 26; 28).

The delegation of the Community noted that the Romanian authorities had requested the Romanian enterprise concerned to show moderation in its exports of products in this Category to Italy.

Brussels, 28 September 1979

Delegation of the Socialist Republic
of Romania

(signed) Iosif Patan
First Economic Secretary

Delegation of the European Economic
Community

(signed) Guillaume Hofmann
Head of Division

AGREED MINUTE

1. Delegations of the Socialist Republic of Romania and the European Economic Community met on 2 August 1979 at Brussels for consultations in connexion with the implementation of the bilateral EC/Romania Agreement on Trade in Textile Products initialled on 16 December 1977.

2. As a result of these consultations, Romania agreed to limit its exports to the Benelux countries of men's and boys' woven undergarments other than shirts (Category 18, Nimexe Code 61.03-51, 55, 59, 81, 85, 89) from 1 January 1979 to 31 December 1982, to the following annual levels:

1979	98 tons
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Exceptionally, a supplementary quantity of 25 tons, for 1979 only, was agreed.

1980	100 tons
1981	102 tons
1982	104 tons

Similarly, Romania agreed to limit its exports to the Benelux countries of knitted or crocheted pyjamas (Category 24, Nimexe Code 60.04-47, 73) for the period from 1 January 1979 to 31 December 1982 to the following annual levels:

1979	980,000 pieces
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Exceptionally, a supplementary quantity of 220,000 pieces, for 1979 only, was agreed.

1980	1,000,000 pieces
1981	1,020,000 pieces
1982	1,040,000 pieces

Lastly, Romania agreed to limit its exports to the Benelux countries of track suits (Category 73, Nimexe Code 60.05-16, 17, 19) for the period from 1 January 1979 to 31 December 1982 to the following annual levels:

1979	120,000 pieces
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Exceptionally, a supplementary quantity of 240,000 pieces, for 1979 only, was agreed:

1980	122,000 pieces
1981	124,000 pieces
1982	126,000 pieces

Owing to the considerable increase of the base levels for 1979, the two parties accepted, in the three cases mentioned above, the growth rates lower than those provided for in Protocol D of the Agreement. This shall, however, not be regarded as a precedent for future consultations between the Community and Romania.

3. It is the understanding of both parties that the provisions of the Agreement which concern exports of products subject to quantitative limits, in particular the licensing procedures set out in Protocol A of the Agreement, shall apply to exports of products in the above-mentioned three categories as from 1 August 1979.

From that date, the Romanian authorities will issue export licences and certificates of origin within the agreed limits for exports to the Benelux countries of the three products concerned.

Brussels, 3 August 1979

Delegation of the Socialist Republic
of Romania

Delegation of the European Economic
Community

(signed) Iosif Patan

(signed) Guillaume Hofmann

First Economic Secretary

Head of Division

AGREED MINUTE

At the consultations held under the EEC-Romania textile agreement on 26-28 April 1979, the Romanian delegation expressed the view that the agreed limitation concerning Category 58 (knotted carpets) did not cover handmade carpets.

The argumentation developed by the Romanian side in support of this position was not dictated by a desire to increase the existing export possibilities, deemed satisfactory, but was aimed at eliminating obstacles to free movement within the Community caused by the existence of the quota.

In a desire to meet some of the Romanian concerns, the Community proposed a compromise solution that satisfied Romania.

Under this compromise, the Community and Romania agreed on the following provisions concerning Category 58 of their textile agreement:

- Handmade carpets belonging to Category 58 (Nimexe Code 58.01-01, 11, 13, 17, 30, 80) which are shipped from Romania after 1 July 1979 and the export of which to the Community is accompanied by a certificate prepared in accordance with Protocol B of the textile agreement - a model of which is attached hereto - are not subject to the quantitative limitation applicable to Category 58;
- The quantitative limitation for this Category covers only industrially manufactured carpets, and the Community level is reduced to 30 per cent of the quotas initially fixed for the years 1979 to 1982.

CATEGORY 58

Years	1979	EEC	1,303 t. x 30 per cent	<u>370 tonnes</u>
	1980	EEC	1,382 t. x 30 per cent	<u>414 tonnes</u>
	1981	EEC	1,465 t. x 30 per cent	<u>440 tonnes</u>
	1982	EEC	1,553 t. x 30 per cent	<u>466 tonnes</u>

- Romania will ensure that the quantities of its exports of handmade and of industrially manufactured carpets, taken together, do not exceed the initially agreed quota levels.

Done at Brussels, 5 July 1979

For the Community
(signed) G. Hofmann
Head of Division

For Romania
(signed) I. Patan
First Economic Secretary

<p>1 Exporter name, full address, country (Exportateur nom adresse complete pays)</p>	<p>ORIGINAL 2 No</p>	
<p>3 Consignee name, full address, country (Destinataire nom adresse complete pays)</p>	<p>CERTIFICATE in regard to HANCLOOMS, TEXTILE HANDICRAFTS and TRADITIONAL TEXTILE PRODUCTS, OF THE COITAGE INDUSTRY, issued in conformity with and under the conditions regulating trade in textile products with the European Economic Community</p> <p>CERTIFICAT relatif aux TISSUS TISSES SUR METIERS A MAIN, aux PRODUITS TEXTILES FAITS A LA MAIN, et aux PRODUITS TEXTILES RELEVANT DU FOLKLORE TRADITIONNEL DE FABRICATION ARTISANALE, delivre en conformite avec et sous les conditions regissant les echanges de produits textiles avec la Communaute Economique Europeenne</p>	
<p>8 Place and date of shipment — Means of transport Lieu et date d'embarquement — Moyen de transport</p>	<p>4 Country of origin Pays d'origine</p>	<p>5 Country of destination Pays de destination</p>
	<p>7 Supplementary details Detais supplementaires</p>	
<p>8 Marks and numbers — Number and kind of packages — DESCRIPTION OF GOODS Marques et numéros — Nombre et nature des colis — DESIGNATION DES MARCHANDISES</p>	<p>9 Quantity Quantite</p>	<p>10 FOB Value (1) Valeur FOB (1)</p>
<p>11 CERTIFICATION BY THE COMPETENT AUTHORITY — VISA DE L'AUTORITE COMPETENTE</p> <p>(1) The undersigned, certify that the consignments described above include only the following textile products of the cottage industry of the country shown in box No 4:</p> <p>a) fabrics woven on looms operated solely by hand or foot (handwovens) (2)</p> <p>b) garments or other textile articles obtained manually from the fabrics described under a) and sewn solely by hand without the aid of any machine (handsewn) (2)</p> <p>c) traditional folklore handicraft textile products made by hand, as defined in the list agreed between the European Economic Community and the country shown in box No 4.</p> <p>Je soussigné certifie que l'envoi décrit ci-dessus contient exclusivement les produits textiles suivants relevant de la fabrication artisanale du pays figurant dans la case No 4:</p> <p>a) tissus tissés sur des métiers actionnés à la main ou au pied (handicrafts) (2)</p> <p>b) vêtements ou autres articles textiles obtenus manuellement à partir de tissus décrits sous a) et cousus uniquement à la main sans l'aide d'une machine (handicrafts) (2)</p> <p>c) produits textiles relevant du folklore traditionnel fabriqués à la main, comme définis dans la liste convenue entre la Communauté Economique Européenne et le pays concerné dans la case No 4.</p>		
<p>12 Competent authority (name, full address, country) Autorité compétente (nom, adresse complete, pays)</p>	<p>At — A _____</p> <p>Signature _____ Date — _____</p>	

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AGREED MINUTE

Under the provisions of the EEC-Romania textile agreement initialled on 16 December 1977, and in particular Article 14 thereof, consultations were held on 19 October 1978 at Brussels between a delegation of the European Economic Community and a delegation of the Socialist Republic of Romania.

The following conclusions were arrived at by common accord:

- (1) A quantitative limit was established for Italy for women's woven suits and costumes (Category 29).

This limit was fixed at 50,000 pieces for the year 1978, and a growth rate of 4 per cent, starting at that level, is laid down for the subsequent years (1979 to 1982)

*1978	50,000 pieces
1979	52,000 pieces
1980	54,080 pieces
1981	56,240 pieces
1982	58,500 pieces

* Exceptionally, and to make allowances for goods in transit and for export licences already issued, export possibilities for the year 1978 may include a supplementary quantity of up to 5,000 pieces.

- (2) A quantitative limit was established for France for woven table linen, toilet and kitchen linen (Category 39).

This limit was fixed at 90 tonnes for the year 1978, and 95 tonnes for the year 1979, and a growth rate of 5 per cent, starting at the latter level, is laid down for the subsequent years (1980 to 1982).

*1978	90 tonnes
1979	95 tonnes
1980	99 tonnes
1981	104 tonnes
1982	109 tonnes

* Exceptionally, for the year 1978, the Community guarantees the execution of all import authorizations issued up to the date of the present consultations, i.e. a total of 134.15 tons.

- (3) A quantitative limit was established for France for men's knitted or crocheted pyjamas (Category 24).

This limit was fixed at 110,000 pieces for the year 1978 and a growth rate of 5 per cent starting at that level, was provided for in the subsequent years (1979 to 1982).

*1978	110,000 pieces
1979	115,500 pieces
1980	121,275 pieces
1981	127,340 pieces
1982	133,700 pieces

* Exceptionally, for 1978, the Community guarantees the execution of all import authorizations issued up to the date of the present consultations, i.e. a total of 136,500 pieces.

- (4) Agreement in principle was reached with regard to the form of presentation of the Agreement initialled on 16 December 1977. The text of the Agreement may be subject to certain adjustments accepted by the two parties.

Under "miscellaneous", the Romanian delegation raised the following problems:

- (a) Flexibility: in accordance with the provisions of the Agreement, Romania would like to benefit from the possibilities of flexibility for certain categories of products; a Note Verbale will shortly be sent on the subject.
- (b) Double-checking observance of the provisions of Articles 6 and 7 of Protocol A. The Romanian side found that export licences issued for export to one member State had been set off against the quota established for another member State.

The delegation of the Community took note of these problems and undertook to examine them as quickly as possible.

Brussels, 19 October 1978

Delegation of the Socialist Republic
of Romania

(signed) Nicolae Dumitrescu

Director,
Ministry of Foreign Trade

Delegation of the European Economic
Community

(signed) Guillaume Hofmann

Acting Head of Division