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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 an amendment to the existing bilateral agreement 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 this amendment to the participating countries.^{3/}

^{1/} For original agreement and previous amendments, see COM.TEX/SB/452 and 483. See also COM.TEX/SB/580.

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

^{3/} The comments of the TSB on this amendment are contained in COM.TEX/SB/585.

AGREED MINUTES

1. Delegations of the Republic of the Philippines and of the European Economic Community met from 5 to 10 October and from 6 to 16 November 1979 in Brussels for consultations in accordance with Articles 6 and 12 of the Agreement on Trade in Textile products between the Philippines and the Community initialled on 31 December 1977.
2. As a result of these consultations, the Philippines agreed to limit its exports of trousers (Category 6, Nimex Position 61.01-62;64;66;72;74;76 and 61.02-66;68;72), shirts (Category 8, Nimex Position 61.03-11;15;19) and Parkas (Category 21, Nimex Position 61.01-29;31;32 and 61.02-25;26;28) to the Community from 1 January 1980 to 31 December 1982 to the following annual levels:

Unit: 1 000 pieces

	Category 6	Category 8	Category 21
1980	2 800	2 800	2 350
1981	2 912	2 912	2 468
1982	3 029	3 029	2 591

From 1 November to 31 December 1979, the Philippines will limit its exports of the categories concerned to the following levels:

Unit: 1 000 pieces

1979	Category 6	Category 8	Category 21
1 Nov. -	400	400	400
31 Dec.			

The Community levels for 1979 do not include those Member States for which limitation levels have previously been accepted.

3. The regional allocation of the agreed Community levies will be established by the Community in accordance with existing Community rules.

A provisional allocation between the regions of the Community has been indicated during the consultations. The final allocation will be the subject of a formal communication by the Community.

4. It is the understanding of both parties that the provisions of the Agreement which concern exports of products under quantitative limitations set out in Annex II to the Agreement and in particular the licensing procedures set out in Protocol A, shall apply to exports of the above-mentioned products from the Philippines to the Community as from 1 November 1979.
5. Upon the request of the Community, the Philippines agreed to suspend as from 20 November 1979, all further shipments to the United Kingdom and Ireland during the year 1979 of babies' knitted outer-garments (Category 71, Nimex Positions 60.05-06;07;08;09) and of babies' woven garments (Category 80, Nimex Positions 61.02-01;03; 61.02-03 and 61.04-09). It is understood that a solution for the years 1980 to 1982 will have to be found before the end of the year 1979.
6. In the course of the consultations, the problem of transshipments has been discussed by the two delegations. Possible solutions have been considered. It is the understanding of both parties that, in the course of further contacts on this matter, effective procedures to ensure the respect of the bilateral Agreement will be established.

Brussels, 16 November 1979