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ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4:4

Amendment to the Bilateral Agreement between the United States and Mexico

The Textiles Surveillance Body has received a notification from the United States of a further amendment to its Article 4 bilateral agreement with Mexico, concerning the inclusion of Categories 353, 354, 653 and 654 in the agreement $\frac{1}{2}$

The TSB, pursuant to its procedures regarding bilateral agreements notified under Article 42^{\prime} , has examined the relevant documentation and is forwarding the text of the notification to participating countries for their information. 3^{\prime}

 $[\]frac{1}{2}$ The original agreement and previous modifications are to be found in COM.TEX/SB/441, 618 and 643. The extension of the agreement is contained in COM.TEX/SB/749.

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

 $[\]frac{3}{}$ The TSB's observations on this notification are contained in COM.TEX/SB/801, paragraphs 22 and 23.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Washington, D.C. 20520

JUL 26 1982

His Excellency Bernado Sepulveda Ambassador of Mexico 2829 - 16th Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20009

Excellency:

I refer to paragraph 19 of the Agreement between Mexico and the United States regarding Trade in Cotton, Wool and Man-made Fiber Textiles and Textile Products, with Annexes, effected by exchange of notes dated February 26, 1979, as amended, ("The Agreement"), and extended by exchange of notes dated December 23 and 24, 1981. I also wish to refer to discussions betwen representatives of the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the United Mexican States in Mexico City concerning exports from Mexico to the U.S. of products classified in textile categories 353, 354, 653, and 654.

On behalf of my Government, I wish to propose that Annex A of the Agreement be amended to include the following cotton and man-made fiber apparel categories:

Category	Description	Conversion Facto r	Unit of Measure
353	Down and Feather- filled coats, jackets and vests, W, G and I	41.3	DZ.
354	Down and Feather- filled coats, jackets and vests, M and B	41.3	DZ.
653	Down and Feather- filled coats, jackets and vests, W, G and I	41.3	DZ.
654	Down and Feather- filled coats, jackets and vests, M and B	41.3	DZ.

If this proposal is acceptable to your Government, this letter and your letter of confirmation: on behalf of your Government shall constitute an amendment to the Agreement.

Sincerely,

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Teresita C. Schaffer, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary Trade and Commercial Affairs Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs COM.TEX/SB/796 Page 4

Washington, D.C., August 19, 1982

Mr. Denis Lamb Deputy Assistant Secretary Trade and Commercial Affairs Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs Department of State Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mr. Lamb:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your communication of July 26, 1982, referring to paragraph 19 of the Agreement between Mexico and the United States regarding Trade in Cotton, Wool, and Man-made Fiber Textiles of February 26, 1979, as amended, ("the Agreement"), and extended by exchange of notes dated December 23 and 24, 1981.

By this means I wish to express the acceptance of my Government to the proposal to amend Annex A of the Agreement to include new products classified in categories 353, 354, 653, and 654, i.e., apparel containing goose feathers. This proposal is consistent with the arrangements reached in previous discussions between representatives of both Governments.

Accordingly, your communication and this reply shall constitute an amendment to the Agreement.

Sincerely, [s] B. Sepulveda Bernardo Sepulveda Ambassador