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ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4:4

Amendments to the Bilateral Agreement^{1/} between the United States and Thailand^{1/}

The Textiles Sureviellance Body has received from the United States notifications of four amendments to its bilateral agreement with Thailand, relating to:

- (a) an increase in the consultation level for Category 345 for the 1982 agreement year;
- (b) the creation of a new merged fabric category and the consequent modification of a specific limit and establishment of a new consultation level for 1982;
- (c) the six-month extension of the agreement;
- (d) the further modification of the consultation level for Category 320.

The TSB, pursuant to its procedures regarding bilateral agreements notified under Article 4^{2/}, has examined the relevant documentation and is forwarding the text of the notification to participating countries for their information.^{3/}

^{1/} The original agreement and previous amendments are found in COM.TEX/SB/411, 412, 473, 496, 568, 667 and 751.

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

^{3/} The observations by the TSB on these amendments are contained in COM.TEX/SB/810, paragraphs 11 to 15.

Amendment (a)

United States Letter

Bangkok, September 22, 1982

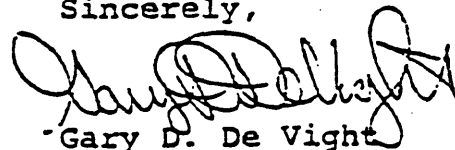
Mrs. Oranuj Osatananda
Deputy Director-General
Department of Foreign Trade
Department of Commerce
Sanamchai Road
Bangkok 10200

Dear Mrs. Oranuj:

I refer to paragraph 4 of the agreement between the United States and Thailand relating to trade in cotton, wool, and man-made fiber textiles and textile products, with annexes, effected by exchange of notes dated October 4, 1978, as amended, and to your letter of September 3, 1982 in which you request on behalf of the Royal Thai Government that the consultation level for Category 345 be increased to 0.9 million square yards for the 1982 agreement year.

I am pleased to inform you that my government agrees to this request and that your letter and this reply thereto constitute an amendment to the agreement.

Sincerely,


Gary D. De Vight
First Secretary

Thailand Letter

Bangkok, September 3, 1982

Mr. Gary D. De Vight
First Secretary
Embassy of the United States of America
Bangkok

Dear Mr. De Vight

I am writing with reference to paragraph 4 of the agreement between the United States and Thailand relating to trade in cotton, wool and man - made fiber textiles and textile products, with annexes, effected by exchange of notes on October 4, 1978, as amended (" the Agreement "). I would like to submit the request of my government seeking an increase of the consultation levels for category 345 to a level of 0.9 million square yards for the 1982 agreement year.

Hoping to here from you soon and thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "O. Osatananda", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

(Mrs. Oramj Osatananda)
Deputy Director-General

Amendment (b)

UNITED STATES LETTER

August 25, 1982
Bangkok, Thailand

Mrs. Oranuj Ostananda
Deputy Director-General
Department of Foreign Trade
Ministry of Commerce
Sanamchai Road
Bangkok 2

Dear Mrs. Oranuj:

I am writing with reference to paragraph 4 of the agreement between the United States and Thailand relating to trade in cotton, wool and man-made fiber textiles and textile products, with annexes, effected by exchange of notes on October 4, 1978, as amended ("The Agreement") and to discussions between representatives of our two governments concerning exports from Thailand to the United States of products classified in textile Category 320 (other cotton fabrics, N.K.).

On behalf of my government, I would like to propose that:

1. For purposes of the agreement, Category 315 and the items covered under TSUSA No. 326.0092 in Category 320 shall be merged and treated as a single category;
2. Annex B of the agreement shall be amended to establish a specific limit for this category as follows:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Period</u>	<u>Level</u>
315 plus TSUSA No. 326.0092	1/1/82 - 12/31/82	15,760,000 SYD

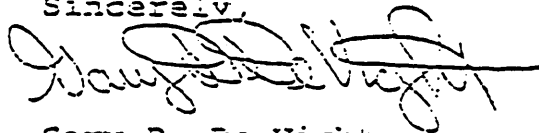
3. The specific limit provided for Category 315 plus TSUSA No. 326.0092 may be exceeded by not more than 6 percent (swing), provided that the amount of the increase is compensated for by an equivalent square yard equivalent decrease in the apparel limit;
4. Carryforward and carryover shall not be applicable to Category 315 plus TSUSA No. 326.0092;

5. Annex C of the agreement shall be amended to delete Categories 315 and 320 and to create the following new category:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Designated Consultation Level</u>
320 (excluding TSUSA No. 326.0092)	1,500,000 SYD

If the above 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,



Gary D. De Vight
First Secretary

THAILAND LETTER

August 27 , 1982

Mr. Gary D. De Vight
First Secretary
Embassy of the United States of America
Bangkok

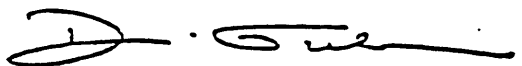
Dear Mr. Gary D. De Vight.

We have the honour to refer to your letter of 26 August, 1982 regarding the discussions between representatives of our two governments concerning exports from Thailand to the United States of products classified in textile Category 320. We have the pleasure to confirm our acceptance of your proposals as contained in the above mentioned letter as under.

(United States text)

We have the honour to accept the above proposals and that this letter, together with your letter of 26 August, 1982, shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments.

Sincerely yours,



(Danzi Tulalamba)
Director-General

Amendment (c)

COPY OF THE UNITED STATES LETTER, DATED SEPTEMBER 2,
1982, TO THE ROYAL THAI GOVERNMENT

"I REFER TO PARAGRAPHS 1 AND 16 OF THE
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THAILAND RELATING
TO TRADE IN COTTON, WOOL AND MAN-MADE FIBER TEXTILES AND
TEXTILE PRODUCTS, EFFECTED BY EXCHANGE OF NOTES
OCTOBER 4, 1978, AS AMENDED ("THE AGREEMENT").

-- "ON BEHALF OF MY GOVERNMENT, I WOULD LIKE TO PROPOSE THE
FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS:

-- "THE TERM OF THE AGREEMENT SHALL BE EXTENDED BY SIX
MONTHS SO THAT IT ENDS JUNE 30, 1983;

-- "THE FIFTH AGREEMENT PERIOD SHALL BE JANUARY 1, 1982
THROUGH JUNE 30, 1983;

-- "THE LIMIT FOR APPAREL FOR THE FIFTH AGREEMENT PERIOD
SHALL BE 106,639,809 SQUARE YARDS EQUIVALENT;

-- "DURING THE FIFTH AGREEMENT PERIOD, THE FOLLOWING
SPECIFIC LIMITS SHALL APPLY:

CATEGORY	LEVEL
315 PLUS TSUSA NO. 326.0092	23,640,000 SYD
331	632,366 DPR.
334/335	82,821 DOZ.
338/339	897,049 DOZ.
340	158,211 DOZ.
341	167,037 DOZ.
347/348	282,594 DOZ.
445/446	22,102 DOZ.
634/635	578,377 DOZ.
638	188,044 DOZ.
639	1,970,492 DOZ.
641	249,775 DOZ.
645/646	113,866 DOZ.
647/648	644,920 DOZ.

-- "EXCEPT AS SPECIFIED BELOW, CONSULTATION LEVELS FOR THE
FIFTH AGREEMENT PERIOD SHALL BE 1,500,000 SQUARE YARDS
EQUIVALENT FOR COTTON AND MAN-MADE FIBER NON-APPAREL CATE-
GORIES, 1,050,000 SQUARE YARDS EQUIVALENT FOR COTTON AND
MAN-MADE FIBER APPAREL CATEGORIES, AND 150,000 SQUARE YARDS
EQUIVALENT FOR ALL WOOL CATEGORIES:

CATEGORY	CONSULTATION LEVEL
313	15,000,000 SYE
314	10,500,000 SYE
317	8,400,000 SYE
319	7,500,000 SYE
320 (EXCLUDING TSUSA NO. 326.0092)	2,250,000 SYE
604	731,708 LBS.
613	14,250,000 SYE
336	33,113 DOZ.
640	62,501 DOZ.
659	434,616 LBS.

-- "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."

COPY OF ROYAL THAI GOVERNMENT'S LETTER, DATED
SEPTEMBER 14, 1982, TO THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

WE HAVE THE HONOUR TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE RECEIPT OF YOUR LETTER
DATED 2ND SEPTEMBER 1982, WHICH READ AS FOLLOWS:

(United States letter)

WE HAVE FURTHER THE HONOUR TO CONFIRM OUR ACCEPTANCE OF THE
FOREGOING AMENDMENTS AND TO AGREE THAT YOUR LETTER OF
SEPTEMBER 2, 1982 AND THIS LETTER SHALL CONSTITUTE AN ADMIN-
ISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENT BETWEEN OUR TWO GOVERNMENTS.

(Amendment (d))

COPY OF LETTER DATED SEPTEMBER 30, 1982, FROM THE
DIRECTOR-GENERAL, DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN TRADE,
BANGKOK, TO THE UNITED STATES

We refer to paragraph 4 of the Agreement of
October 4, 1978 ("The Agreement"), between the
United States of America and Thailand relating to
trade in cotton, wool and man-made fiber textiles
and textile products, with annexes, as amended
and to the exchange of notes dated August 27, 1982,
as amended, ("The Agreement").

We would like to request for an increase of
the consultation levels for category 320 (N.E.S.)
to a level of 8 million square yards for the fifth
agreement period (January 1, 1982 - June 30, 1983).

Your kind consideration would be appreciated.

COPY OF UNITED STATES RESPONSE TO DIRECTOR-GENERAL,
DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN TRADE, BANGKOK

I refer to paragraph four of the agreement between the United States and Thailand relating to trade in cotton, wool and man-made fiber textiles and textile products, with annexes, effected by exchange of notes dated October 4, 1978, as amended, and to your letter of September 30 in which you request on behalf of the Royal Thai Government that the consultation level for category 320 (excluding TSUSA number 326.0092) be increased to 8 million square yards for the fifth agreement period (January 1, 1982 - June 30, 1983).

I am pleased to inform you that my government agrees to this request and that your letter and this reply thereto constitute an amendment to the agreement.