

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON
TARIFFS AND TRADE

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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 the Philippines

The Textiles Surveillance Body has received from the United States a notification of an amendment to its bilateral agreement with the Philippines, concluded under Article 4 of the MFA¹.

The TSB, pursuant to its procedures regarding notifications under Article 4², has examined the relevant documentation and is forwarding the text of the notification to participating countries for their information.

¹The original bilateral agreement is contained in COM.TEX/SB/904.

²See COM.TEX/SB/35, Annex B.

April 27, 1983

Honorable Roberto Ongpin
Minister
MINISTRY OF TRADE & INDUSTRY
385 Buendia Avenue Extension
Makati, Metro Manila

Dear Bobby

I am writing with regard to paragraphs 3 and 4 of the Agreement between the United States and the Republic of the Philippines Relating to Trade in Cotton, Wool and Man-Made Fiber Textiles and Textile Products, effected by exchange of notes November 24, 1982 ("The Agreement") and to discussions between representatives of our two governments concerning exports from the Republic of the Philippines to the United States of products classified in textile category 631.

Letter 1

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

1. Annex A of the Agreement be amended to delete category 631 (man-made fiber gloves) and to add the following categories under the heading of man-made fiber:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Conversion Factor</u>	<u>Unit of Measure</u>
631 (excluding TSUSA Nos. 704.8520, 704.8550, and 704.9000)	Gloves	3.5	DPR.
631 PT (TSUSA Nos. 704.8520, 704.8550 and 704.9000)	Gloves	3.5	DPR.

2. Annex B of the Agreement be amended to delete the sub-limit for TSUSA Nos. 704.8520, 704.8550 and 704.9000.
3. Annex C of the Agreement be amended to add a new consultation level as follows:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Level</u>
631 PT (TSUSA Nos. 704.8520, 704.8550 and 704.9000)	700,000 SYE

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,



Michael H. Armacost
Ambassador

17 May 1983


The Honorable Michael H. Armacost
Ambassador
Embassy of the United States of America
Manila, Philippines

Dear Ambassador Armacost:

On behalf of my government, I am accepting your proposal of 27 April 1983 with regard to the Agreement between the Republic of the Philippines and the United States of America Relating to Trade in Cotton, Wool and Man-Made Fiber Textiles and Textile Products ("The Agreement") effected by exchange of notes on 24 November 1982, to wit: Letter 1

It is understood that your letter of 27 April 1983 regarding the above proposal and this letter of acceptance shall constitute an amendment to the Agreement.

Very truly yours,


ROBERTO Y. ONGPIN
Chairman