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LONG-TERM ARRANGEMENT REGARDING TRADE
IN COTTON TEXTILES

Bilateral Arrangement between the United States and Jamaica¹

Attached is the text and annex of a bilateral arrangement concluded between the Governments of the United States and Jamaica, covering trade in cotton textiles.

The text and annex of this arrangement are included in the United States Department of State press release No. 503 dated 2 October 1963, transmitted to the secretariat by the United States in accordance with Article 4 of the Long-Term Arrangement.

¹Not party to the Long-Term Arrangement.

ARRANGEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF JAMAICA AND
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA CONCERNING
TRADE IN COTTON TEXTILES BETWEEN JAMAICA AND THE UNITED STATES

1. The Government of Jamaica shall limit its exports in all categories of cotton textiles to the United States for the twelve-month period beginning 1 October 1963, to an aggregate limit of 18.5 million square yards equivalent.
2. Within this aggregate limit, the following specific ceilings shall apply:

(a) Category 46	384,000 dozen
(b) Category 48	8,000 dozen
(c) Category 50	48,000 dozen
(d) Category 51	110,000 dozen
(e) Category 52	80,000 dozen
(f) Category 61	381,000 dozen
3. The square yard equivalent of any shortfalls occurring in exports in the categories with specific ceilings may be used in any category not having a specific ceiling. Annual exports in categories not having a specific ceiling shall not exceed 350,000 square yards equivalent except by mutual agreement of the two Governments.
4. With the exception of seasonal items, the Government of Jamaica shall space its annual exports within each category to the United States on a cumulative, quarterly percentage basis of 30-55-80-100.
5. In the event concentration in exports from Jamaica to the United States in any fabric or fabrics within certain categories causes or threatens to cause market disruption in the United States, the Government of the United States may call for consultations with the Government of Jamaica in order to reach a mutually satisfactory solution to the problem. The Government of Jamaica shall agree to enter into such consultations and during the course of the consultations, the Government of Jamaica shall limit its exports of the items in question at an annual level of 105 per cent of its exports during the twelve-month period immediately preceding the month in which consultations are requested.
6. Each Government agrees to supply promptly any available statistical data requested by the other Government. In the implementation of this agreement the system of categories annexed to the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Cotton Textiles done at Geneva on 21 July 1961, shall apply. In categories where units other than square yards are used, the conversion into square yard equivalents shall be made on the basis of the factors listed in the annex attached to this agreement.

7. During the life of this agreement the United States Government shall not invoke the procedures of Articles 6(c) and 3 of the Long-Term Arrangement Regarding Trade in Cotton Textiles done at Geneva on 9 February 1962, to limit imports of cotton textiles from Jamaica into the United States.

8. The limitations on exports established in paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of this agreement shall be increased by 5 per cent for the twelve-month period beginning 1 October 1964 and by 5 per cent for each subsequent twelve-month period during the life of this agreement; provided that the increase applicable to categories 46 and 61 shall be 3 per cent for the twelve-month period beginning 1 October 1964 and 5 per cent for each subsequent twelve-month period.

9. The life of this agreement shall continue until and including 30 September 1967; provided that either Government may propose revisions in the terms of the agreement no later than ninety days prior to the beginning of a new twelve-month period; and provided further that either Government may terminate this agreement, effective at the beginning of a new twelve-month period, by written notice to the other Government given at least ninety days prior to the beginning of such new twelve-month period.

10. In order that the effective dates of the restraints presently in effect may be modified to coincide with annual periods applicable in this agreement, the following modifications shall be made in the restraint levels:

- (a) Category 46: from 360,000 to 330,000 dozen
- (b) Category 48: from 8,000 to 4,670 dozen
- (c) Category 50: from 48,000 to 44,000 dozen
- (d) Category 51: from 110,000 to 64,170 dozen
- (e) Category 61: from 360,000 to 330,000 dozen

These modified levels shall be effective for the periods beginning with the applicable dates of restraint until and including 30 September 1963. Exports during these periods in excess of the modified levels shall be counted against the appropriate ceilings for the twelve-month period beginning 1 October 1963.

ANNEX

Conversion Factors

<u>Category number</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Conversion factor</u> (Square yards)
1	lb.	4.6
2	lb.	4.6
3	lb.	4.6
4	lb.	4.6
28	no.	1.084
29	no.	1.084
30	no.	.348
31	no.	.348
32	doz.	1.66
33	lb.	3.17
34	no.	6.2
35	no.	6.2
36	no.	6.9
37	lb.	4.6
38	lb.	4.6
39	doz.	3.527
40	doz.	4.6
41	doz.	7.234
42	doz.	7.234
43	doz.	7.234
44	doz.	36.8
45	doz.	22.186
46	doz.	24.457
47	doz.	22.186
48	doz.	50.0
49	doz.	32.5
50	doz.	17.797
51	doz.	17.797
52	doz.	14.53
53	doz.	45.3
54	doz.	25.0
55	doz.	51.0
56	doz.	9.2
57	doz.	11.25
58	doz.	5.0
59	doz.	16.0
60	doz.	51.96
61	doz.	4.75
62	lb.	4.6
63	lb.	4.6
64	lb.	4.6