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LONG-TERM ARRANGEMENT REGARDING TRADE IN

COTTON TEXTILES

Agreement between Canada and Hong Kong

Attached are three notes regarding an agreement between Canada and Hong Kong pursuant to Article 3 of the Long-Term Arrangement.¹

The first two notes - laying down the agreement of the Government of Hong Kong to restrain exports of certain cotton textile items to Canada during the year ending 30 September 1963 - have been transmitted to the secretariat by the delegation of the United Kingdom.

The third note transmitted by the delegation of Canada includes, in addition to the above-mentioned agreement, the restraint levels to be applied by Hong Kong on exports to Canada for the year ending 30 September 1964.

¹ A communication referring to the request made by the Government of Canada to Hong Kong was circulated in document COT/6 (page 13).

NOTE No.1

1. With reference to the Note dated 22nd July, 1963, from the Canadian Government giving further information concerning the threat of disruption to Canadian producers of cotton woven shirts and nightwear as a result of increasing imports into Canada from Hong Kong, the Hong Kong Government wishes to state that it is appreciative of the additional information provided.

2. This Note is a formal notification that the Hong Kong Government accedes to the request of the Canadian Government that restraint should be exercised in exports from Hong Kong of the cotton textiles which fall within the following Hong Kong export classifications:-

- 841 301 Dress shirts, other than knitted, wholly or mainly of cotton
- 841 040 Shirts (not dress shirts) other than knitted, wholly or mainly of cotton
- 841 050 Nightwear, other than knitted, wholly or mainly of cotton, men's wear, n.e.s.
- 841 052 Nightwear, other than knitted, wholly or mainly of cotton, women's wear, n.e.s.
- 841 054 Nightwear, other than knitted, wholly or mainly of cotton, children's wear, n.e.s.

3. The Hong Kong Government undertakes to exercise restraint in these items at the revised restraint levels set out below and which the Canadian Government has now confirmed as acceptable:-

Woven Shirts	130,000 dozen
Nightwear	85,000 dozen

and to apply these restraints to the year ending 30th September, 1963.

August, 1963

NOTE No. 2

1. With reference to the Note of 13th August, 1963, to the Canadian Government in which the Hong Kong Government acceded to the request of the Canadian Government that restraint should be exercised in exports from Hong Kong of certain cotton textiles in the form of shirts and nightwear, the Hong Kong Government wishes to make formal notification of its acceptance of the Canadian Government's request for restraint in the export of certain other categories of cotton textiles.

2. The Hong Kong Government undertakes to exercise restraint in exports from Hong Kong of the cotton textiles which fall within the following Hong Kong export classifications:-

- 841 163 Slacks, shorts, jeans, trousers, overalls and pinafores, other than knitted, wholly or mainly of cotton, men's wear;
- 841 165 Slacks, shorts, jeans, trousers, overalls and pinafores, other than knitted, wholly or mainly of cotton, women's wear;
- 841 167 Slacks, shorts, jeans, trousers, overalls and pinafores, other than knitted, wholly or mainly of cotton, children's wear.

3. The restraint will be exercised in these items at the revised restraint levels set out below; which the Canadian Government has confirmed as acceptable:

Cotton Trousers and Shorts	(000 dozen)
Men's	70
Women's	60
Children's	125
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Cotton Knitted Shirts	130
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and to apply these restraints to the year ending 30th September, 1963.

NOTE No. 3

Canada and Hong Kong have agreed pursuant to Article 3 of the Long-Term Arrangement regarding International Trade in Cotton Textiles on the following restraint levels to be applied by Hong Kong on exports to Canada during the year ending 30 September 1964. Restraint levels for the year ending 30 September 1963 are also shown.

Description	Hong Kong export classification number	<u>Maximum restraint level</u> <u>in year</u>	
		Ended 30 September 1963	Ending 30 September 1964
		(000 dozens)	
Slacks, shorts, jeans and trousers, other than knitted			
Men's wear	841 163	70	70
Women's wear	841 165	60	56.5
Children's wear	841 167	125	131.5
		255	258
Shirts, knit or made of knitted fabrics	841 020	130	134
Dress shirts other than knitted	841 301)	130	134
Shirts (not dress shirts), other than knitted	841-040)		
Nightwear, other than knitted			
Men's wear N.E.S.	841 050)	85	88
Women's wear, N.E.S.	841 052)		
Children's wear, N.E.S.	841 054)		