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ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN COTTON TEXTILES

Agreement Between the Federal Republic of Germany and Japan

Attached is the text of the Agreement concluded between the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany and the Government of Japan concerning trade in cotton textiles.

The text of this Agreement has been transmitted to the Director-General by the Permanent Delegation of the Federal Republic of Germany for notification to the Cotton Textiles Committee.

AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY
AND THE GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN CONCERNING TRADE IN COTTON TEXTILES

The Government of the Federal Republic of Germany and the Government of Japan,

Desiring to ensure the orderly development of trade in cotton textiles between the Federal Republic of Germany and Japan in accordance with the provisions of the Long-Term Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Cotton Textiles of 1 October 1962, which was extended until 30 September 1970 (hereinafter referred to as the "Geneva Arrangement") and in particular of Article 4 thereof, which provides for the conclusion of mutually acceptable arrangements,

Have agreed to co-operate and to apply the following provisions:

Article 1

This Agreement shall apply to cotton textiles originating in and dispatched from Japan and listed in the Annex to this Agreement.

Article 2

During the period of validity of this Agreement and by virtue of the provisions contained therein, the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany undertakes not to introduce new quantitative restrictions and to suspend the application of those in force and agrees not to invoke the provisions of Article 3 of the Geneva Arrangement as long as imports into the Federal Republic of Germany of cotton textiles originating in and dispatched from Japan do not exceed the quantities agreed upon.

The Government of Japan undertakes to take appropriate measures, especially when so requested by the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany, in order that the ceilings agreed upon are respected, and to co-operate with the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany in implementing the measures recognized as necessary for this purpose.

The provisions of the Geneva Arrangement shall remain in force between the two Governments.

Article 3

(a) Global ceiling

The total quantity agreed upon for the period of twelve months shall be 6,000 tons.

(b) Ceilings by groups of categories

The aforementioned total quantity shall be apportioned as follows between the two main groups of categories of products:

Group I	Cotton fabrics, grey or bleached, whether or not mercerized	2,000 tons
Group II	Other cotton fabrics, made-up articles and miscellaneous articles of cotton	4,000 tons

(c) Specific ceilings

Up to each of the ceilings by groups of categories established under the preceding paragraph, specific ceilings will be agreed upon in order to prevent excessive concentration of trade on certain products; these ceilings will be fixed on the basis of the list annexed to this Agreement.

If, in the course of one of the annual periods, the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany notes a rapid and substantial growth in deliveries of certain products which are not covered by specific ceilings, it may request that a specific ceiling be fixed. In such a case, a consultation shall be held forthwith to agree upon the level of a specific ceiling for the product in question.

Article 4

(a) No transfer may be made between the quantity fixed for Group I and the quantity fixed for Group II.

The specific ceilings must not be exceeded; within the framework of the ceilings by groups, the unused portions of the specific ceilings, may be used for the other categories of the group which are not covered by specific ceilings.

(b) Portions of one of the ceilings for the two groups of categories not used during one annual period may be carried over and added to the ceiling for the same group in the following annual period within the limits of 10 per cent of the ceiling in question.

The unused portions of the specific ceilings for the categories may be carried over and added to the same specific ceilings for the following year within the limits of 10 per cent of the said ceilings, if the specific ceilings have not been subject to a transfer or a carry-over of another kind.

(c) Within the limits of 5 per cent of each of the ceilings agreed upon, advance deliveries shall be authorized from the ceiling established for the following annual period, if the Government of Japan so requests in writing in due time; the Government of Japan, however, shall endeavour to ensure that exports of cotton textiles of all categories are spaced out as regularly as possible over each of the annual periods, taking seasonal factors in particular into account. Amounts imported in advance shall be deducted from the ceilings for the following annual period.

Article 5

The two Governments agree to exchange all information relating to exports of cotton textiles from Japan to the Federal Republic of Germany and to the corresponding imports into the Federal Republic of Germany. Each Government will, for the purposes of this Agreement, apply classification at its disposal and shall co-operate in facilitating comparison of information thus supplied.

Article 6

If the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany informs the Government of Japan that difficulties have arisen, in the application of this Agreement, regarding the maintenance of existing commercial relations between importers in the Federal Republic of Germany and their suppliers in Japan, the two Governments shall consult each other to determine all the measures necessary to ensure the maintenance of these commercial relations.

Article 7

The two Governments undertake to consult each other, at the request of either Government, on all problems arising from the implementation of this Agreement.

Furthermore, the two Governments agree to take part in consultations between representatives of the Government of Japan and representatives of the Governments of the Member States and of the Commission of the European Communities regarding the overall aspects of trade in cotton textiles.

Article 8

This Agreement shall also apply to Land Berlin, provided that the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany has not made a contrary declaration to the Government of Japan within three months from the date of signing of this Agreement.

Article 9

This Agreement shall enter into force on the date of signature thereof and shall be applicable for a period of twelve months as from 1 October 1969.

The provisions of paragraph 4 of the Protocol extending the Geneva Arrangement shall be applicable to this Agreement. In case of their application, the undertakings contained in this Agreement shall be set out in an appropriate form.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned representatives, duly authorized thereto, have signed this Agreement.

DONE at Tokyo, this 22nd day of October, 1969, in duplicate in the English language.

For the Government of the
Federal Republic of Germany:

For the Government of
Japan:

Annex

LIST

OF COTTON TEXTILE PRODUCTS REFERRED TO IN THE
AGREEMENT CONCLUDED BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF
THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY AND THE
GOVERNMENT OF JAPAN PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 4 OF
THE GENEVA ARRANGEMENT

Group of categories	Categories	Description of product
<u>GROUP I</u>		<u>COTTON FABRICS, GREY OR BLEACHED, MERCERIZED OR NOT</u>
	B	COTTON FABRICS, GREY
	B 1	Terry towelling and similar terry fabrics
	B 2	Woven fabrics other than gauze or terry towelling and similar terry fabrics, containing less than 85 per cent by weight of cotton
	B 3	Woven fabrics other than gauze or terry towelling and similar terry fabrics, containing at least 85 per cent by weight of cotton, plain weave, weighing more than 70 grs. but not more than 130 grs. per square metre, of a width more than 115 cms. but not more than 165 cms., consisting only of yarns numbered less than 55,000 m./kg. (English number 32)
	B 4	Woven fabrics other than gauze or terry towelling and similar terry fabrics, containing at least 85 per cent by weight of cotton, plain weave, weighing not more than 130 grs. per square-metre, other than those under B 3
	B 5	Woven fabrics other than gauze or terry towelling and similar terry fabrics, containing at least 85 per cent by weight of cotton, plain weave, weighing more than 130 grs. but not more than 200 grs. per square metre, of a width of at least 85 cms. but not more than 115 cms.
	B 6	Woven fabrics other than gauze or terry towelling and similar terry fabrics, containing at least 85 per cent by weight of cotton, plain weave, weighing per square metre more than 130 grs. but not more than 200 grs., of a width of more than 115 cms.
	B 7	Woven fabrics other than gauze or terry towelling and similar terry fabrics, containing at least 85 per cent by weight of cotton, of a width at least of 85 cms., other than plain weave
	B 8	Other woven fabrics

Group of categories	Categories	Description of product
	C	COTTON FABRICS OTHER THAN GREY
	C 1	Bleached, mercerized or not
<u>GROUP II</u>		<u>OTHER COTTON FABRICS, MADE-UP ARTICLES AND MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES OF COTTON</u>
	C 2	Gauze fabrics other than grey or bleached
	C 3	Terry towelling and similar terry fabrics, other than grey or bleached
	C 4	Woven pile fabrics and chenille fabrics (other than terry towelling or similar terry fabrics of cotton falling within heading No. 55.08 and fabrics falling within heading No. 58.05)
	C 5	Woven fabrics other than gauze or terry towelling and similar terry fabrics, dyed
	C 6	Woven fabrics other than gauze or terry towelling and similar terry fabrics, printed
	C 7	Woven fabrics other than gauze or terry towelling and similar terry fabrics, made of yarns of various colours
	D	HOUSEHOLD MADE-UP ARTICLES OF COTTON
	D 1	Bed linen
	D 2	Table linen
	D 3	Terry toilet linen and terry kitchen linen
	D 4	Other household articles
	E	COTTON CLOTHING
	E 1	Gloves, mittens and mitts, knitted or crocheted, not elastic or rubberized
	E 2	Undergarments, knitted or crocheted, not elastic or rubberized
	E 3	Outergarments, clothing accessories, and other articles, knitted or crocheted, not elastic or rubberized. Articles, other than piece-goods, knitted or crocheted, elastic or rubberized
	E 4	Woven trousers and breeches for men and boys
	E 5	Other woven outergarments for men and boys
	E 6	Woven outergarments for women, girls and infants

Group of categories	Categories	Description of product
	E 7	Woven shirts and bodices for men and boys
	E 8	Other woven undergarments for men and boys
	E 9	Woven undergarments for women, girls and infants
	E 10	Plain and fancy handkerchiefs
	E 11	Other articles of apparel and clothing accessories
	F	MISCELLANEOUS COTTON FABRICS AND MADE-UP ARTICLES
	F 1	Travelling rugs and blankets
	F 2	Floor-cloths, dish-cloths, dusters and the like
	F 3	Pneumatic mattresses
	F 4	Others