GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4:4

Modification to the Bilateral Agreement between the EEC and Romania

The Textiles Surveillance Body has received from the Commission of the European Communities a notification of a further modification to the bilateral agreement concluded under MFA II between the EEC and Romania. In this modification a regional restraint was introduced on knitted trousers (category 28) imported into the United Kingdom in 1981 and 1982.

The ISB, pursuant to its procedures regarding notifications under Article 4, has examined the relevant documentation and is forwarding the text of the notification to participating countries for their information.

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¹The original bilateral agreement and previous modifications are contained in COM.TEX/SB/454, 485, 658, 673 and 696.

²See COM.TEX/SB/35, Annex B.

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Brussels, 8 November 1984

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Dear Ambassador,

In connection with the European Economic Community's Agreement on trade in textile products with Romania signed on 27 November 1980 and negotiated pursuant to Article 4 of the Arrangement as extended by the 1978 Protocol of Extension I have the honour to inform you of the following :

During the course of 1981 imports of knitted trousers (Category 28) from Romania into the Benelux countries exceeded 6,000 pieces, being the level at which the Community could ask for consultations with a view to establishing a regional limit under the provisions of Article 7 of the bilateral Agreement. The Community having deemed that there was real risk of market disruption in this case, the two sides consulted on 1 December 1981 in pursuance of Article 14 of the Agreement. As a result of these consultations, and in conformity with the provisions of the Agreement, Romania agreed to limit exports to the Benelux countries as follows :

Category	Unit	Member State	1981	1982
28	1,000p.	BNL	110	116

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This new limit contained in the agreed minute annexed to this letter, is herewith communicated under Article 4, Paragraph 4 of the Arrangement, as a modification to the Community's Agreement with Romania notified in 1979 and circulated under COM/TEX/SB 454 to the T.S.B.

Yours sincerely,

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MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

1. Delegations of the Socialist Republic of Romania and the European Economic Community met at Brussels on 28 July 1983 for consultations in connection with the implementation of the Bilateral Agreement between the EEC and Romania concerning trade in textiles, initialled on 23 July 1982.

2. At the consultations, Romania agreed to limit its exports to the United Kingdom, of trousers of knitted fabric (Category 28, NIMEXE Code 60.05-61; 62; 64) from 1 January 1983 to 31 December 1986 to the following annual levels:

1983	90,000	pieces
1984	94,000	pieces
1985	97,000	pieces
1986	102,000	pieces

¹Exceptionally, a supplementary quantity of 15,000 pieces, for the year 1983 only, has been agreed.

3. It is the understanding of both parties that provisions of the Agreement which concern exports of products subject to quantitative limits, in particular the licensing procedures set out in Protocol A of the Agreement, shall apply to exports of the above-mentioned products as from 1 August 1983. From that date, the Romanian authorities will issue export licences and certificates or origin within the agreed limits for exports to the United Kingdom of the products concerned.

Brussels, 28 July 1983

Delegation of the Socialist Republic of Romania

Delegation of the European Economic Community