GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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COM.TEX/SB/980*

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Textiles Surveillance Body

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4:4

Modification of the Bilateral Agreement between Canada and Thailand

The Textiles Surveillance Body has received a notification from Canada concerning a further modification of its bilateral agreement, concluded under Article 4 of the MFA, with Thailand, under which restraints were agreed on exports of hosiery from Thailand.

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.

¹The original agreement and previous modification are contained in COM.TEX/SB/819 and 932.

²See COM.TEX/SB/35, Annex B.

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Record of Agreement

Delegations representing the Government of Canada and the Government of the Kingdom of Thailand met on March 14 and 15, 1984 in Bangkok to discuss the export of hosiery from Thailand to Canada in accordance with the provisions of Article 4 of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles.

Subsequent to these discussions, it was agreed that Thai authorities will begin to restrain, effective May 1, 1984, exports of hosiery from Thailand to Canada through the issuance of "Export Certificates" endorsed and issued by the proper Thai authority. It was also agreed that during the period May 1 to December 31, 1984, exports of hosiery shall be restrained to the level of 1,500,000 pairs.

It was further agreed that exports from Thailand to Canada of hosiery as described in the attached Appendix I, shall be restrained for the period 1985 to 1986 and shall be specified as Item 8 of Group II as shown in Annex I of the Memorandum of Understanding Between the Government of Canada and the Government of the Kingdom of Thailand Relating to the Export from Thailand of Certain Textiles and Textile Products for Import into Canada. It was further agreed that the 1985 restraint level governing the export of this product will be 2,080,000 pairs plus 6 percent and that the restraint level for 1986 will be accorded a further growth rate of 6 percent. The provision for swing will be 7 percent and the provision for carryover/carryforward will be 11 percent, of which carryforward will not be more than 6 percent. The conversion factor will be 0.05 square meters per pair.

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Appendix I

Hosiery, is knitted footwear for adults, children and infants. Excluded are men's and boys' woollen hosiery (over 50% of wool by weight) and ladies seamless or full fashioned full length hosiery and knee highs produced on machines of 400 needless or above and made from yarn of 30 denier or finer, and panty-hose.