GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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Textiles Surveillance Body

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4

Export Surveillance and Consultation Agreement between Austria and the Philippines

The Textiles Surveillance Body has received a notification from Austria of an export surveillance and consultation agreement concluded with the Philippines. This agreement relates to products which had previously been subject to restraint.

The notification had been made under Article 7. After its review, the TSB decided that Article 4 was applicable to this notification, and is forwarding it to the Textiles Committee under this Article.

¹ See COM.TEX/SB/792, 892 and 939

²For the TSB's observations on this notification, see COM.TEX/SB/1050

^{*}English only/Anglais seulement/Inglés solamente

Vienna, 14 December 1984

Excellency,

Referring to the Memorandum of Agreement between the Philippines and Austria relating to the export from the Philippines of certain categories of garments into Austria dated 17 November 1983 and to the letter of the Ministry of Trade and Industry of the Philippines dated 17 October 1984 I have the honour to inform you that in view of the circumstances given Austria accepts the Philippine proposal to place exports of woven blouses of man-made fibres or of cotton under an export surveillance system.

Consequently, in respect of exports of woven slacks, shorts, jeans and trousers of cotton, men's and boy's wear, CCCN No. ex 61.01; woven shirts of man-made fibres or of cotton, CCCN No. ex 61.03 and starting with 1 January 1985 woven blouses of man-made fibres or of cotton, CCCN No. ex 61.02 the competent Austrian authority will upon presentation of a Special Export Licence, a specimen of which is attached as Annex, issued by the competent Philippine authority and indicating Austria as the country of final destination, automatically issue import licence and will provide the Philippines with information concerning such import licence on a quarterly basis.

Should exports of the above garments from the Philippines to Austria develop in a manner which causes real risks of market disruption, Austria may request consultations with the Philippines with a view to reaching an agreement on mutually acceptable terms. The request for such consultations shall be accompanied by a statement containing relevant data of the market conditions which, in the view of Austria, make necessary the request for consultations. Both parties agree to consult within thirty days from the date on which the request for consultations has been received, and to exert their best efforts to complete such consultations within fifteen days of their commencement. If no agreement is reached, the Philippines will limit exports of the above garments during the year in question to a level not lower than that achieved during the twelve-month period preceding the month in which the consultations were requested.

Special Export Licences as set out above shall cease to be valid four months after the date of issue for purposes of presentation to the competent Austrian authority.

If this proposal is acceptable to the Philippines this note and your note of confirmation shall constitute an agreement between Austria and the Philippines.

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Enclosure: Annex

(Slamp - Cachel)