

**GENERAL AGREEMENT ON
TARIFFS AND TRADE**

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Textiles Surveillance Body

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4:4

Modification of the Bilateral Agreement
between the United States and Hong Kong

The Textiles Surveillance Body has received a notification from the United States of a modification to their bilateral agreement with Hong Kong, concluded under Article 4 of the MFA. Pursuant to the consultation provisions of the agreement, the United States elected to convert certain limits established for the 1984 agreement year, into specific limits for the 1985-1987 agreement years.¹

The TSB, pursuant to its procedures regarding bilateral agreements notified under Article 4², has examined the relevant documentation and is forwarding the text of the notification to participating countries for their information.

¹The original agreement and previous modifications are contained in COM.TEX/SB/818, 888, 910, 945, 946, 968 and 1026

²See COM.TEX/SB/35, Annex B

* English only/Anglais seulement/Inglés solamente

21 December 1984

Mr. Peter Lo
 Counsellor for Hong Kong
 Commercial Affairs
 British Embassy
 3100 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.
 Washington, D.C. 20008

Dear Mr. Lo,

I refer to several consultations held between our governments under paragraph 7 of the bilateral textile agreement during the 1984 agreement year. In accordance with paragraph 7(E)(iv) of the Agreement, the Government of the United States has decided to convert categories listed below into specific limit categories. Limits for the 1985 agreement year are as follows:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Units</u>	<u>Agreed or Established 1984 Limit</u>	<u>1985 SL</u>
337	Playsuits	doz.	640,000	652,800
359-V	Vests	lbs.	1,980,000	2,019,600
359-C	Coveralls	lbs.	950,000	969,000
369-T*	Shop towels	lbs.	1,203,438	1,227,507
605-T	Thread	lbs.	471,956	481,395
649	Brassières	doz.	553,896	564,974
652	Underwear	doz.	3,513,103	3,583,365
659-S	Knit swimwear	lbs.	403,251	411,316

Sincerely,

Paul P. Pilkauskas
 Chief, Textiles Division
 Bureau of Economic and
 Business Affairs

*There is an error in this category. Category 369 (1) should be 1,167,659 lbs., and correspondingly, the correct 1985 specific limit for this part category is 1,191,012 lbs. This error was noted by Hong Kong in a letter of 3 January, and confirmed by the United States in a letter of 11 January.

27 December 1984

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659-C	Coveralls	lbs.	1,050,000	1,071,000
359-I	Infant sets	lbs.	5,682,576	5,796,228

Sincerely,

Ann L. Hollick
Director, Office of
International Trade