GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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Textiles Surveillance Body

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 3:4

Bilateral Agreement between Austria and Egypt

The Textiles Surveillance Body has received a notification from Austria of a new bilateral agreement with Egypt, concluded under Article 3 of the MFA, valid for the period 1 January 1985 to 31 December 1986.

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

¹ See COM.TEX/SB/35, Annex A

²For the TSB's observations on this notification, see COM.TEX/SB/1072

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Sir,

I have the honour to refer to the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles (hereinafter referred to as the Arrangement) done in Geneva on 20 December 1973 and to the Protocol extending the Arrangement in Geneva on 22 December 1981.

I also refer to the consultations which took place in Vienna from 24 to 28 September 1984 between representatives of Austria and a delegation of the Arab Republic of Egypt. As a result of these consultations the following agreement concerning exports of cotton yarn from the Arab Republic of Egypt to Austria has been reached.

1. Export levels in metric tons for twelve-month periods beginning on 1 January 1985:

1 January 1985 to 1 January 1986 to 31 December 1985 31 December 1986

Cotton yarn as indicated in CCCN. No. 55.05

2.300

2.369

- 2. Starting from 1 January 1985 exports of cotton yarn originating in the Arab Republic of Egypt for home consumption in Austria will be accompanied by export licences (a specimen of which is attached as Annex I) issued by the competent authority of the Arab Republic of Egypt within the agreed export limit and endorsed to the effect that the shipments have been debited against the agreed export limits. Upon presentation of such export licences the competent Austrian authority will issue the corresponding import licences without undue delay.
- 3. Exports of cotton yarns to Austria from the Arab Republic of Egypt for non-local consumption will not be included in the above-mentioned quota and will not be subject to quantitative restrictions. Such exports will be accompanied by an export form bearing the word "re-export" in Box No. 9 of the specimen of the export licence attached herewith as Annex I.
- 4. The Arab Republic of Egypt will provide Austria with statistics of cotton yarn export licences issued within and debited against the limits set out in paragraph 1 on a two-month basis. For statistical reason data concerning exports according to paragraph 3 will also be provided.
- 5. Austria will provide the Arab Republic of Egypt with two-month statistics of import licences issued on the basis of export licences of the Arab Republic of Egypt.

- 6. Shipments before 1 January 1985 will be admitted by Austria outside the agreed export limit provided that such exports are covered by shipment and payment documents showing that the shipment has been effected before 1 January 1985 and that customs clearance in Austria has been effected at the latest on 28 February 1985.
- 7. Upon notification to the competent Austrian authority that imports of cotton yarn imported from the Arab Republic of Egypt have been re-shipped to countries outside Austria, the competent Austrian authority shall notify the competent authority of the Arab Republic of Egypt of the fact of such re-shipment and the quantities involved shall correspondingly be credited to the agreed export limit.
- 8. If, as a result of the statistics provided by Austria under paragraph 5 of the Agreement, it has been determined that quantities covered by an export licence have not been applied for in an import licence, such quantities may be reissued in another export licence within the current quota year.
- 9. Austria and the Arab Republic of Egypt agree to consult at the request of either party on any matter arising from the implementation of this Agreement. Any consultations held under this paragraph shall be approached by both parties in a spirit of co-operation and with the object of reconciling any differences between them.
- 10. Export licences as set out in paragraph 2 above shall cease to be valid four months after the date of issue for purpose of presentation to the competent Austrian authority.

I should be grateful if you would kindly confirm that this letter sets out correctly the understanding reached between the delegations of the two countries.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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