

**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 Sri Lanka

The Textiles Surveillance Body has received a notification from the United States of a further modification to its bilateral agreement with Sri Lanka, concluded under Article 4 of the MFA. Restraints were agreed on six categories.

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 a previous modification are contained in COM.TEX/SB/913 and 1107.

²See COM.TEX/SB/35, Annex B

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The United States and Sri Lanka exchanged diplomatic notes in Colombo to effect amendment to their bilateral textile agreement. Texts of the notes follow.

UNITED STATES NOTE

Colombo, 17 September 1985

The Honourable M. S. Amarasiri
Minister of Trade and Shipping
Colombo

Dear Mr. Minister

I have the honour to refer to the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles, with annexes, done at Geneva on 20 December 1973, and extended by the Protocol adopted on 22 December 1981. I also have the honour to refer to the agreement on textiles between the Government of the United States and the Government of Sri Lanka dated 10 May 1983 (hereafter referred to as the Agreement) and to consultations held in Washington, D.C. on 3-5 September 1985 between representatives of our two governments.

On behalf of my government I propose the following amendment to Annex B of the agreement.

CATEGORY	UNIT	1.5.1983- 31.5.1984 LIMIT	1.6.1984- 31.5.1985 LIMIT	1.6.1985 31.5.1986 LIMIT	1.6.1986- 31.5.1987 LIMIT	1.6.1987 31.5.1988 LIMIT
337	Dozen	-	16,712 ^{1/}	106,000	112,360	119,102
338	Dozen	-	-	194,499 ^{2/}	245,920	260,675
339	Dozen	59,496 ^{3/}	377,360	400,002	424,002	449,442
363	Nos.	-	-	4,586,301 ^{4/}	6,360,000	6,741,600
369 pt Shop towels	lbs.	-	133,532 ^{1/}	846,940	847,756	951,622
647	Dozen	-	-	297,616 ^{2/}	376,300	398,878

^{1/} Prorated limit: 30.4.1985-31.5.1985

^{2/} Prorated limit: 30.7.1985-31.5.1986

^{3/} Prorated limit: 30.4.1984-31.5.1984

^{4/} Prorated limit: 26.8.1985-31.5.1986

If the above is acceptable to your government, this note and your response on behalf of your government shall constitute an amendment to the Agreement between our two governments.

Accept, Sir, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

SRI LANKA NOTE

Colombo, 26 September 1985

Mr. Victor L. Tomseth
Charge d'Affaires, a.i.,
Embassy of the United States
Colombo

Dear Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 17 September 1985 which reads as follows:

UNITED STATES NOTE

I confirm that the above letter sets out correctly the understanding reached between our two governments.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.