

# GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

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Textiles Surveillance Body

## ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

### Notification under Articles 7 and 8

#### Bilateral Agreement between the United States and El Salvador

The Textiles Surveillance Body received a notification from the United States of a bilateral agreement concluded with El Salvador for the period 1 January 1987 to 31 December 1989. The parties agreed to a designated consultation level on Category 300/301 (cotton yarn).

The notification has been made in accordance with the request made by the Textiles Committee that agreements concluded with non-participating countries be notified.

The TSB is circulated the notification to participating countries for their information.

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\*English only/Anglais seulement/Inglés solamente

**UNITED STATES AND EL SALVADOR SIGN  
NEW BILATERAL TEXTILE AGREEMENT**

The United States and El Salvador exchanged notes dated March 2, 1987 and April 30, 1987 to establish a new bilateral textile agreement. The texts of the notes follows:

UNITED STATES NOTE

San Salvador, March 2, 1987

The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of El Salvador and has the honor to refer to the arrangement regarding international trade in textiles (hereinafter referred to as The Arrangement), done at Geneva on December 20, 1973, as extended by protocols dated December 14, 1977, December 22, 1981, and July 31, 1986. The Embassy also has the honor to refer to consultations held recently in Washington, D. C. between representatives of the Governments of El Salvador and the United States of America.

The Government of the United States of America proposes, pursuant to Article 4 of The Arrangement, the following agreement between our two governments;

The Government of the Republic of El Salvador agrees to restrain its exports to the United States of cotton yarn in Category 300/301 to an annual level of 8,500,000 pounds for the years 1987, 1988 and 1989. If the Government of El Salvador wishes to export products in Category 300/301 in excess of this designated consultation level (DCL), the Government of El Salvador shall request the higher levels.

The Government of the United States shall consider such requests sympathetically. The Government of the United States shall respond promptly and make every effort to resolve the issue within 30 working days of the receipt in Washington of the initial request. Until a mutually satisfactory change in the consultation level in question is established, shipments shall not exceed the existing DCL. If the Government of the United States is unable to comply fully with the request due to problems of market disruption, or the real risk thereof as described in Annex A of The Arrangement, in this category, the Government of the United States will so inform the Government of El Salvador. Either government may request consultations to discuss such requests for DCL increases.

If this proposal is acceptable to the Government of the Republic of El Salvador, this note and the note of confirmation of the Government of El Salvador shall constitute an agreement between our two governments.

The Embassy of the United States of America avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministry of Foreign Relations the assurances of its highest consideration.

EL SALVADOR NOTE

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of El Salvador presents its compliments to the Embassy of the United States of America and has the honor to refer to its note verbale No. 102 dated March 2, 1987, on the Arrangement regarding international trade in textiles, in regard to which it proposes, pursuant to Article 4 of the Arrangement, the following:

[The Spanish translation of the United State Embassy's note No. 102, dated March 2, 1987, agrees with the English text in all substantive respects. It should be noted that, in line 17 on page 1 of the note in English, the term "Category 300/301" has been rendered in Spanish as "categories 300/301."]

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs informs the Embassy that the Government of the Republic of El Salvador agrees to the above terms, which also appear in the Memorandum of Understanding that the two parties signed to that end at Washington, D.C. on January 23, 1987. Therefore, the above-mentioned note, together with this note, shall constitute an agreement between the two governments.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Honorable Embassy of the United States of America the assurances of its highest consideration.

San Salvador, 30 de abril de 1987.