GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

TARIFFS AND TRADE

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COM.TEX/SB/1298*

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Textiles Surveillance Body

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Articles 7 and 8

Amendment of the Bilateral Agreement between the United States and the Dominican Republic

The Textiles Surveillance Body received a notification from the United States of an amendment of its bilateral agreement with the Dominican Republic. The parties agreed to the removal of restraints on Categories 340 and 644.

The notification was made in accordance with the request by the Textiles Committee that agreements concluded with non-participating countries be notified, and the TSB is forwarding it to participating countries for their information.

The bilateral agreement and a previous modification are contained in COM.TEX/SB/970 and 1027. Another agreement between the parties is contained in COM.TEX/SB/1297; reference to this agreement has been made in the Note by the Dominican Republic.

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UNITED STATES AND DOMINICAN REPUBLIC AMEND BILATERAL TEXTILE AGREEMENT

The United States and The Dominican Republic amended their bilateral textile agreement on December 18, 1980. Text of the notes follow.

UNITED STATES NOTE

Santo Domingo December 18, 1986

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to the arrangement regarding international trade in textiles, with annexes, done at Geneva on December 20, 1973 and extended by protocol on December 22, 1981 and July 31, 1986 (the arrangement) and to the agreement between the Dominican Republic and the United States of America relating to trade in cotton, wool and man-made fiber textiles and textile products effected by exchange of notes in Santo Domingo on December 30, 1983 (the agreement). I also have the honor to refer to consultations between mepresentatives of our Governments in Washington, D.C. from June 30 to July 1, 1986.

I have the honor to propose, on behalf of my Government, that the agreement be amended as follows:

Annex A shall be amended to delete categories 340 and 644, and the specific limits in Annex B which apply to these categories shall also be deleted.

-- All other provisions of the agreement are unchanged.

This note supercedes our Note No. 186 and, as a result of it. Categories 340 and 644 are covered by the stipulations in our Note No. 191.

Accept, Excellency, the zenewed assurances of my highest consideration.

Embassy of the United States of America,

Santo Domingo, December 18, 1986.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC NOTE

(Informal Translation)

Santo Domingo December 18, 1986

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to your note dated December 18, 1986, which says the following:

"I have the honor to refer to the Arrangement regarding International Trade in Textiles, with annexes, done at Geneva on December 20, 1973 and extended by protocol on December 22, 1981 and July 31, 1986 [the Arrangement] and to the Agreement between the Dominican Republic and the United States of America relating to trade in Cotton, Wool and Man-Made Fiber Textiles and Textile Products effected by exchange of notes in Santo Domingo on December 30, 1983 [the Agreement]. I also have the honor to refer to consultations between representatives of our Governments in Washington, D.C. from June 30 to July 1, 1986.

I have the honor to propose, on behalf of my Government, that the Agreement be amended as follows:

--Annex A shall be amended to delete Categories 340 and 644, and the Specific Limits in Annex B which apply to these Categories shall also be deleted.

-- All other provisions of the Agreement are unchanged.

This note supercedes our Note No. 186, and as a result of it, Categories 340 and 644 are covered by the stipulations in our Note No. 191.

I am pleased to inform you the the Government of the Dominican Republic is in agreement. It the terms of the above cited Amendment to the Agreement, and consequently, Categories 340 and 644 will remain as stipulated in our Note of response No. 11845 dated 18 December 1986.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to you the assurances of my highest and distinguished consideration.

(s) Donald J. Reid Cabral Secretary of State For Foreign Relations