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ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4

Extension and Amendment of the Bilateral Agreement between the United States and Hungary

The Textiles Surveillance Body received a notification from the United States of a further extension and an amendment of its bilateral agreement with Hungary for the four-year period 1 January 1988 to 31 December 1991.¹

The TSB, pursuant to its procedures regarding notifications made under Article 4,² has examined the relevant documentation and is forwarding the text of the notification to participating countries for their information.³

¹The bilateral agreement, modifications and a previous extension are contained in COM.TEX/SB/864, 972, 1063, 1194 and 1301.

²COM.TEX/SB/35, Annex B

³For the TSB's observation on this notification see COM.TEX/SB/1325.

* English only/Anglais seulement/Inglés solamente

UNITED STATES AND HUNGARY AMEND
BILATERAL TEXTILE AGREEMENT

The United States and Hungary exchanged notes in Budapest on July 20, 1987 and July 29, 1987, to amend their Bilateral Textile Agreement. Text of the notes follow:

UNITED STATES NOTE

Budapest, July 20, 1987

The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Trade of the People's Republic of Hungary and has the honor to refer to the Bilateral Agreement in Trade in Wool and Man-made Fiber Textiles and Textile Products between the Government of the Hungarian People's Republic and the Government of the United States of America, with Annexes, done at Budapest February 15 and 25, 1983, as amended (the Agreement). The Embassy also refers to discussions between representatives of the Governments of the United States and Hungary during July 1987.

The Embassy of the United States has the honor to propose, on behalf of the Government of the United States of America, that the Agreement be amended and extended for the period of four years, from January 1, 1988 to December 31, 1991.

The Agreement shall be amended to allow inter-category flexibility (swing) for category 433. Annexes A and B of the Agreement shall be amended to reflect amendment and extension of the Agreement, and are attached as an integral part of this note. Carryforward will be available for the 1987 agreement year; it will not be available for the 1991 agreement year. Carryover will be available for the 1987 through 1991 agreement years.

The Government of the United States of America confirms that under paragraph 11 of the Agreement, if the Government of Hungary considers that, as a result of a limitation specified in this agreement, Hungary is being placed in an inequitable position vis-a-vis a third country, the Government of Hungary may request consultations with the Government of the United States of America with a view to taking appropriate remedial action such as reasonable modification of the Agreement. All other provisions of the Agreement remain unchanged.

If this proposal is acceptable to the Government of the Hungarian People's Republic, then this note and the note of confirmation of the Government of the Hungarian People's Republic shall constitute an amendment to the Agreement.

The Embassy of the United States of America takes this opportunity to present to the Ministry of Foreign Trade of the People's Republic of Hungary the assurances of its highest consideration.

Enclosure: Annexes A, B

ANNEX A

Category	Description	Conversion Factor	Unit of Measure
433	Suit-type coats M and B	36.0	dozen
434	Other wool coats, M and B	54.0	dozen
435	Coats W, G, and I	54.0	dozen
443	Suits, M and B	54.0	dozen
444	Suits, W, G, and I	54.0	dozen
445/446	Wool Sweaters	14.88	dozen
448	Trousers, W, G, and I	18.0	dozen
645/646	Man-made fiber sweaters	36.8	dozen

ANNEX B

Category	Unit	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991
433	dozen	7,649	7,725	7,802	7,880	7,959
434	dozen	8,750 ^x	7,500	7,575	7,651	7,726
435	dozen	10,045	10,145	10,246	10,348	10,451
443	dozen	7,276	7,349	7,422	7,496	7,571
444	dozen	5,169	5,221	5,273	5,326	5,379
445/446 ^{xx}	dozen	40,804	41,212	41,624	42,040	42,461
448	dozen	19,576	19,772	19,970	20,170	20,372
645/646	dozen	85,000	90,100	95,506	101,236	107,310

x Level is from 1/11/86 to 12/31/87

xx Not more than 75 percent of the specific limits noted for category 445/446 above may be utilized in either part the merged category in any agreement period."

HUNGARY NOTE

The Ministry of Foreign Trade of the Hungarian People's Republic presents its compliments to the Embassy of the United States of America in Budapest and has the honor to refer to the Embassy's note No. 345 which reads as follows:

UNITED STATES NOTE

The Ministry of Foreign Trade has the honor to confirm on behalf of the Government of the Hungarian People's Republic that the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the Government of the Hungarian People's Republic and that the note of the Embassy of the United States of America and this reply thereto shall constitute an agreement between the Government of the Hungarian People's Republic and the Government of the United States of America.

The Ministry of Foreign Trade of the Hungarian People's Republic takes this opportunity to present to the Embassy of the United States of America the assurances of its highest consideration.

Budapest, July 29, 1987