

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

RESTRICTED

TARIFFS AND TRADE

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Textiles Surveillance Body

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4:4

Amendment of the bilateral agreement between the United States and Sri Lanka

The Textiles Surveillance Body received a notification from the United States of a further amendment of its bilateral agreement with Sri Lanka. A specific limit was agreed for cotton and man-made fibre coveralls (Category 359-C/659-C) for the period 1 June 1987 to 3 May 1988.¹

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.

¹The bilateral agreement and previous amendments are contained in COM.TEX/SB/913, 1107, 1132, 1187 and 1331.

²COM.TEX/SB/35, Annex B

* English only/Anglais seulement/Inglés solamente

UNITED STATES AND SRI LANKA AMEND
BILATERAL TEXTILE AGREEMENT

The United States and Sri Lanka exchanged notes on September 14 and 25, 1987 to amend their bilateral textile agreement. Text of the notes follow.

UNITED STATES NOTE

September 14, 1987

Sir:

I have the honor to refer to the arrangement regarding international trade in textiles, with annexes, done at Geneva on December 22, 1973, and extended by the protocols adopted on December 14, 1977, December 22, 1981 and July 31, 1986. I also refer to the agreement on textiles between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka dated May 10, 1983 (hereinafter referred to as the Agreement) and to consultations held in Colombo in August 1987 between representatives of our two Governments.

I have the honor to propose the following amendment to Annex B of the Agreement:

Specific Limits and Sub-Limits

	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Limit</u>
		6/01/87- 5/31/88
359-C/659-C (Coveralls and overalls)	lbs.	1,400,000

I also have the honor to propose that the following categories be added to paragraph 2(b) of the Agreement:

<u>Categories Merged</u>	<u>Designation in the Agreement</u>	<u>Sub-Categories</u>
359-C, 659-C	359-C/659-C	None

If the foregoing is acceptable to your Government, this note and your note of confirmation on behalf of the Government of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka shall constitute amendment to the Agreement.

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

Chargé d'Affaires ad interim

25 September, 1987.

SRI LANKA NOTE

Dear Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 14th September, 1987 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.

M.S.Amarasiri, M.P.
Minister/Trade & Shipping,
Democratic Socialist Republic of
Sri Lanka.