

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

RESTRICTED

TARIFFS AND TRADE

COM.TEX/SB/1378*
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Textiles Surveillance Body

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4:4

Modification of the bilateral agreement between Finland and Hong Kong

The Textiles Surveillance Body received a notification from Finland of a modification to its agreement with Hong Kong. Product coverage and consequent restraint levels were adapted to the Harmonized System, which entered into force in Finland on 1 January 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 is contained in COM.TEX/SB/1246.

²See COM.TEX/SB/35, Annex B

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Agreed Minute

A delegation of the Hong Kong Government and a delegation of the Finnish Government met in London on 23-24 November 1987 for consultations in accordance with paragraph 18 of the Memorandum of Understanding signed between the Government of Hong Kong and the Government of Finland on 10 September 1986 in Helsinki and on 6 October 1986 in Hong Kong regarding the exports of certain textile products from Hong Kong to Finland.

2. Having regard to the changes in the definitions of certain products that would be applicable under the Harmonised System to be introduced with effect from 1 January 1988, the two parties agreed to amend the restraint limits established in Annex I of the said Memorandum of Understanding as amended as follows -

<u>Category</u>	<u>Brief Description</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Restraint Limits</u>
1	Knitted briefs, men's, boys', women's and girls'	pcs	1988	3,397,641
			1989	3,466,363
			1990	3,536,478
			1991	3,608,014
1b	of which men's and boys'	pcs	1988	897,923
			1989	922,616
			1990	947,988
			1991	974,058

2	Woven shirts and	pcs	1988	919,472
	blouses, men's,		1989	937,913
	boys', women's		1990	956,723
	and girls'		1991	975,913
2b	of which women's	pcs	1988	547,393
	and girls'		1989	562,447
			1990	577,914
			1991	593,307
4	Woven trousers of	pcs	1988	1,157,411
	cotton, men's,		1989	1,182,375
	boys', women's		1990	1,207,906
	and girls'		1991	1,234,016

3. The amended restraint limits take into account that boys' and girls' wear of sizes above 86 cm and up to and including 110 cm, currently classified as infants' wear, will, with the adoption of the Harmonised System by Finland on 1 January 1988, be included in the relevant categories.

4. The two parties agreed that the above amendments fully met their undertaking, in the said Memorandum of Understanding, in respect of the problem arising from the changed definition of infants' wear consequent on the introduction of the Harmonised System.

5. Both parties also agreed that as a result of the consultations referred to in paragraph 1 above, Annexes 1 and 2 of the said Memorandum of Understanding between the Governments of Hong Kong and Finland are to be replaced by Attachments 1 and 2 to this Agreed Minute on 1 January 1988.

6. During the consultations, the need for transitional arrangements to ensure a smooth changeover to the Harmonised System was discussed. The Government of Finland agreed to permit the clearance in 1988 of goods shipped against valid licences issued by the Government of Hong Kong up to 31 December 1987 on the basis of the categorisation structure applicable in 1987.

7. This Agreed Minute constitutes an Agreement between the Government of Hong Kong and the Government of Finland entering into force on 1 January 1988.

Done in London, 24 November 1987

For the Government of
Hong Kong

For the Government of
Finland

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Alec Aalto
Ambassador

ANNEX I

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)
Category	Description	Finnish Statistical Classification Number *	Hong Kong Statistical Classification Number *	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	Conversion Factor (sq yd equivalent per dozen)
1	Briefs, drawers, panties, under- shorts, and the like, knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly by weight of cotton or of man- made fibres, men's, boys', women's and girls' wear	61.07.11.00 61.07.12.00 61.08.21.00 61.08.22.00	61.07.11.10 61.07.11.20 61.07.12.10 61.07.12.20 61.07.12.30 61.07.12.40 61.08.21.10 61.08.21.20 61.08.22.10 61.08.22.20 61.08.22.30 61.08.22.40	3180285	3397641	3466363	3536478	3608014	9
	<u>of which</u>	61.07.11.00 61.07.12.00	61.07.11.10 61.07.11.20 61.07.12.10 61.07.12.20 61.07.12.30 61.07.12.40	723891	897923	922616	947988	974058	9
	Briefs, drawers undershorts, and the like, knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly by weight of cotton or of man- made fibres, men's and boys' wear								

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(a) Category	(b) Description	(c) Finnish Statistical Classification Number *	(d) Hong Kong Statistical Classification Number *	(e) 1987	(f) 1988	(g) 1989	(h) 1990	(i) 1991	(j) Conversion Factor (sq yd equivalent per dozen)	
				<u>Restraint Limit Periods</u> <u>1 January - 31 December</u> (pieces)						
2	Shirts and blouses, not knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly by weight of cotton or of man-made fibres, men's, boys', women's and girls' wear	62.05.20.00 62.05.30.00 62.06.30.00 62.06.40.00	62.05.20.10 62.05.20.20 62.05.30.10 62.05.30.20 62.05.30.30 62.05.30.40 62.06.30.10 62.06.30.20 62.06.40.10 62.06.40.20	691394	919472	937913	956723	975913	23	
	<u>of which</u>									
	Blouses, not knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly by weight of cotton or of man-made fibres, women's and girls' wear	62.06.30.00 62.06.40.00	62.06.30.10 62.06.30.20 62.06.40.10 62.06.40.20	522743	547393	562447	577914	593807	23	
	Brassieres, wholly or mainly by weight of cotton or of man-made fibres	62.12.10.00	62.12.10.10 62.12.10.20 62.12.10.30	324513	331003	337623	344376	351263	4.8	

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4	Trousers, not knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly by weight of cotton, men's, boys', women's and girls'	62.03.42.11 62.03.42.19 62.04.62.11 62.04.62.19	ex 62.03.42.10 ex 62.03.42.20 ex 62.04.62.10 ex 62.04.62.20	1030000	1157411	1182375	1207906	1234016	18

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(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
<u>Category</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Finnish Statistical Number *</u>	<u>Hong Kong Statistical Number *</u>
E1	Jumpers, sweaters, cardigans, pullovers, blouses and shirts (including T-shirts, singlets and undershirts), knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly by weight of cotton	61.05.10.00 61.06.10.00 61.09.10.10 61.09.10.90 61.10.20.00 61.11.20.00 ex	61.05.10.10 61.05.10.20 61.06.10.00 61.09.10.10 61.09.10.20 61.09.10.30 61.09.10.40 61.09.10.50 61.10.20.10 61.10.20.20 61.10.20.30 61.10.20.40 61.11.20.10 61.11.20.40 61.11.20.50

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E2	Jumpers, sweaters, cardigans, pullovers, blouses and shirts (including T-shirts, singlets and undershirts), knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly by weight of man-made fibres	61.05.20.00 61.06.20.00 61.09.90.21 61.09.90.29 61.10.30.00 ex 61.11.30.00	61.05.20.10 61.05.20.20 61.05.20.30 61.05.20.40 61.06.20.10 61.06.20.20 61.09.90.02 61.09.90.03 61.09.90.09 61.09.90.10 61.09.90.11 61.09.90.12 61.09.90.13 61.09.90.14 61.09.90.15 61.09.90.16 61.10.30.10 61.10.30.20 61.10.30.30 61.10.30.40 61.10.30.50 61.10.30.60 61.10.30.70 61.10.30.80 ex 61.11.30.10 ex 61.11.30.40 ex 61.11.30.50 ex 61.11.90.01 ex 61.11.90.04 ex 61.11.90.05

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