

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

RESTRICTED

TARIFFS AND TRADE

COM.TEX/SB/1413*

7 October 1988

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Textiles Surveillance Body

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4:4

Amendment of the bilateral agreement between Austria and Hong Kong

The Textiles Surveillance Body received a notification from Austria of an amendment of its bilateral agreement with Hong Kong, consequent to the changes in definitions of certain products under the Harmonized System.¹

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

¹The bilateral agreement between the parties is contained in COM.TEX/SB/1274.

²See COM.TEX/SB/35, Annex B

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AGREED MINUTE

1. A delegation of the Hong Kong Government and a delegation of the Austrian Federal Government met in London on 17-18 December 1987 for consultations jointly in accordance with paragraph 17 of the Memorandum of Understanding regarding Hong Kong's exports of certain textile products to Austria (the "Restraint Memorandum") and with paragraph 14 of the Memorandum of Understanding regarding an export authorisation system on exports of certain textile products from Hong Kong to Austria (the "Authorisation Memorandum"), both of which Memoranda of Understanding were signed between the Federal Government of Austria on 2 January 1987 and the Government of Hong Kong on 28 February 1987.

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

Item No.	Description	Limits in pieces	
		1. 2. 88— 31. 1. 89	1. 2. 89— 31. 1. 90
(a)	(d)	(f)	(g)

3	Trousers, bib and brace overalls, breeches, shorts, and divided skirts, not knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly of cotton or of man-made fibres	1,745,042	1,779,943
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3. The amended restraint limits take into account that woven bib and brace overalls, being those garments illustrated in Attachment 1 to this agreed minute, will be covered under Item No. 3 in Annex I to the Restraint Memorandum with the adoption of the Harmonized System by Austria. They also have regard to the definition of suits that would be applicable under the Harmonized System.

4. The two parties also agreed to amend some of the product descriptions, in particular to substitute the term "babies' wear" for "infants' wear" in Restraint Items 2 and 4 and in Authorisation Items 3, 4, 5, 6, 8 and 9.

5. The two parties agreed that the above amendments fully met their undertaking, in the "Restraint Memorandum", in respect of the problems arising from changes in the product definitions concerned consequent on the introduction of the Harmonized System.

6. Both parties further agreed that as a result of the consultations referred to in paragraph 1 above, Annex I to the Restraint Memorandum and the Annex to the Authorisation Memorandum are to be replaced by Attachments 2 and 3 respectively to this Agreed Minute on 1 February 1988.

7. During the consultations, the need for transitional arrangements to ensure a smooth change-over to the Harmonized System was discussed. The Government of Austria agreed to permit the clearance in 1988 of goods shipped against valid licences issued by the Government of Hong Kong up to 31 January 1988 on the basis of the categorisation structure applicable immediately prior to the introduction of the Harmonized System.

Done in London, 18 December 1987

For the Government of Hong Kong:

Peter Wise

Counsellor

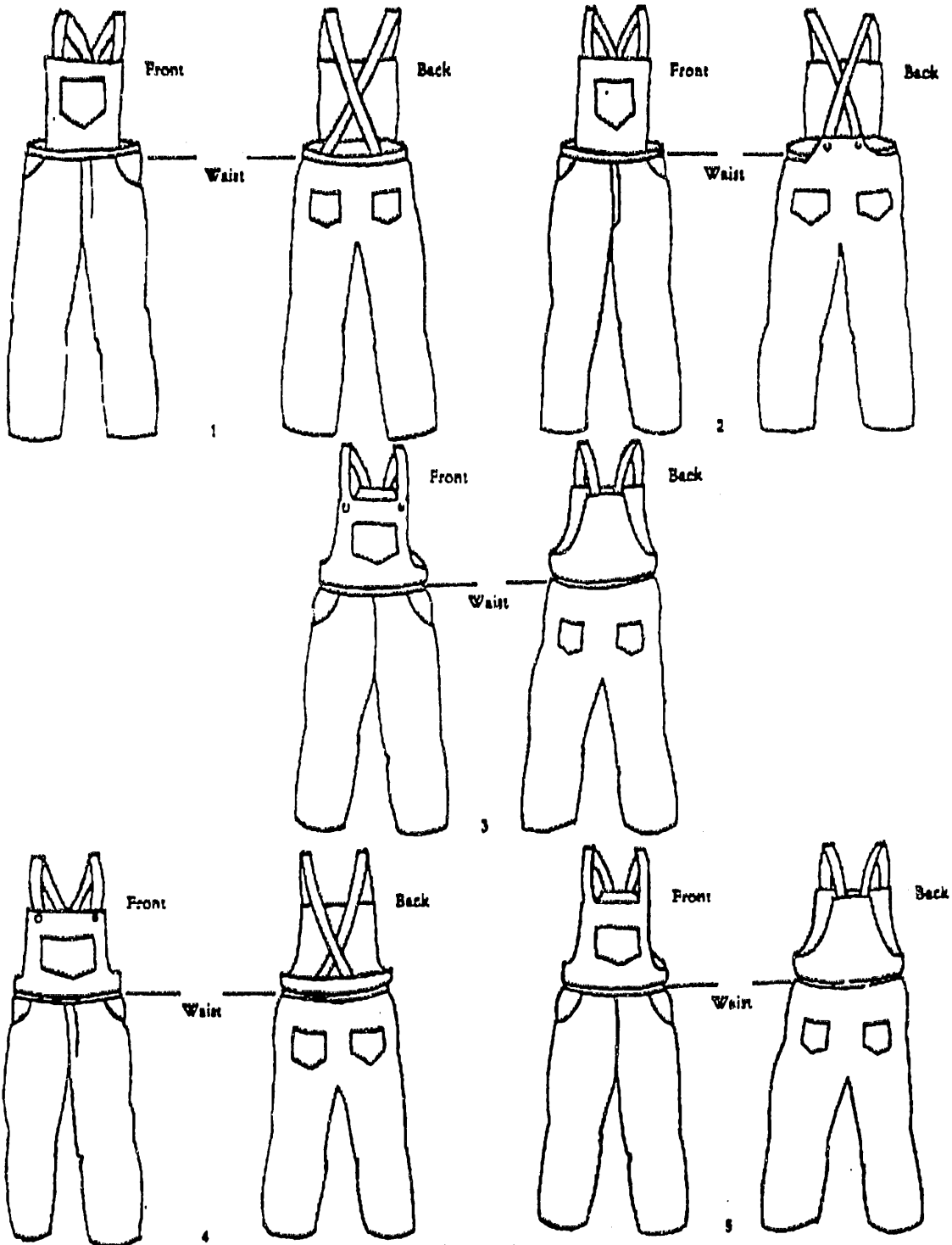
(Hong Kong Trade Affairs)

For the Government of Austria:

Helmut Kreblik

Counsellor

Attachment 1



Attachment 2

Annex I

Item No.	Austrian Statistical Classification No.	Hong Kong Statistical Classification No.	Description	Limits in pieces			Conversion factors for swing purposes (pieces per kilogram)						
				1.2.1987 - 31.1.1988	1.2.1988 - 31.1.1989	1.2.1989 - 31.1.1990							
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)						
1	6205 2010	6205 2010	Shirts, not knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly of cotton or of discontinuous synthetic fibres, men's, boys' and babies' wear	1,104,242	1,115,284	1,126,437	5.00						
	6205 2020	6205 2020											
	ex 6205 3010	ex 6205 3010											
	ex 6209 2070	ex 6209 2070											
	ex 6209 3020	ex 6209 3020											
	2	6206 3010						6206 3010	Blouses, not knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly of cotton or of man-made fibres, women's, girls' and babies' wear	1,038,746	1,049,133	1,059,624	5.00
		6206 3020						6206 3020					
		6206 4010						6206 4010					
		6216 4020						6216 4020					
		ex 6209 2020						ex 6209 2020					
ex 6209 3020		ex 6209 3020											
ex 6209 9002		ex 6209 9002											
3		6203 4210	6203 4210	Trousers, bib and brace overalls, breeches, shorts, and divided skirts, not knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly of cotton or of man-made fibres	1,696,120	1,745,042	1,779,943	1.76					
		6203 4220	6203 4220										
		6203 4230	6203 4230										
	6203 4240	6203 4240											
	6203 4310	6203 4310											
	6203 4320	6203 4320											
	6203 4330	6203 4330											
	6203 4340	6203 4340											
	6203 4910	6203 4910											
	6203 4920	6203 4920											
6203 4930	6203 4930												
6203 4940	6203 4940												
6204 5210	ex 6204 5210	6204 5210											
6204 5220	ex 6204 5220	6204 5220											
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6204 5320	ex 6204 5320	6204 5320											
6204 5910	ex 6204 5910	6204 5910											
6204 5920	ex 6204 5920	6204 5920											
6204 6210	6204 6210	6204 6210											
6204 6220	6204 6220	6204 6220											
6204 6230	6204 6230	6204 6230											
6204 6240	6204 6240	6204 6240											

Item No.	Australian Statistical Classification No.	Hong Kong Statistical Classification No.	Description	Lines in pieces			Conversion factors for swing purposes (pieces per kilogram)		
				1.2.1987 - 31.1.1988	1.2.1988 - 31.1.1989	1.2.1989 - 31.1.1990			
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)		
	6204.63	6204 6310 6204 6320 6204 6330 6204 6340 6204 6910 6204 6920 6204 6930 6204 6940 6209 2010 6209 2020 6209 3010 6209 3020 6209 9001 6209 9002	Dresses, knitted or crocheted, of synthetic fibres; dresses, not knitted or crocheted, of cotton or of man-made fibres; shirts, not knitted or crocheted, of coarse, women's, girls' and babies' wear	583,482	595,152	607,055	3.10		
	ex 6204.69								
	ex 6209.20								
	ex 6209.30								
	ex 6209.90								
4	6104.43	6104 4310 6104 4320							
	ex 6111.30	6111 3030							
	6204.42	6204 4210 6204 4220 6204 4310 6204 4320 6204 4410 6204 4420 6204 5210 6204 5220 6209 2010 6209 3010 6209 9001							
	ex 6204.52								
	ex 6209.20								
	ex 6209.30								
	ex 6209.90								

Attachment 3

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Item No.	Austrian Statistical Classification No.	Hong Kong Statistical Classification No.	Description
1	6203.31	6203 3110	Jackets, including anoraks and blazers, not knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly of cotton, of wool or of man-made fibres, men's and boys' wear
		6203 3120	
	6203.32	6203 3210	
		6203 3220	
	6203.33	6203 3310	
		6203 3320	
	6203.39	6203 3910	
		6203 3920	
	6201.91	ex 6201 9110	
		ex 6201 9120	
6201.92	ex 6201 9210	Gymnastic pants, ski-jackets, ski-vests, and swimwear, not knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly of cotton or of man-made fibres, men's and boys' wear	
	ex 6201 9220		
6201.93	ex 6201 9310		
	ex 6201 9320		
ex 6201.92	ex 6201 9210		
	ex 6201 9220		
ex 6201.93	ex 6201 9310		
	ex 6201 9320		
ex 6211.32	ex 6211 3270		
	ex 6211 3280		
ex 6211.33	ex 6211 3370	Dresses, not knitted or crocheted, of wool; skirts, not knitted or crocheted, of wool or of man-made fibres, women's, girls' and babies' wear	
	ex 6211 3380		
6211.11	6211 1110		
	6211 1120		
	6211 1130		
	6211 1140		
3	6204.41		6204 4110
			6204 4120
ex 6204.51	ex 6204 5110		
			ex 6204 5120
ex 6204.53	ex 6204 5310		
		ex 6204 5320	
ex 6204.59	ex 6204 5910		
		ex 6204 5920	
ex 6209.10	ex 6209 1010		
ex 6209.30	ex 6209 3010		
ex 6209.90	ex 6209 9001	Coats, including raincoats but excluding capes and gowns, not knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly of cotton or of man-made fibres, women's, girls' and babies' wear	
4	6202.12		ex 6202 1210
			ex 6202 1220
			6202 1230
			6202 1240
			6202 1250
			6202 1260
6202.13	ex 6202 1310		
			ex 6202 1320
			6202 1330
		6202 1340	
		6202 1350	
		6202 1360	
ex 6209.20	ex 6209 2010		
ex 6209.30	ex 6209 3010		
ex 6209.90	ex 6209 9001		

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5	6204.12	6204 1210	Costumes and trouser suits, including two or three-piece suits, not knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly of cotton or of man-made fibres, women's, girls' and babies' wear
	6204.13	6204 1220	
	ex 6204.19	6204 1310	
		6204 1320	
		6204 1910	
		6204 1920	
		6204 2200	
		6204 2300	
	ex 6204.29	6204 2910	
	ex 6209.20	ex 6209 2020	
ex 6209.30	ex 6209 3020	Jackets, not knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly of cotton, of wool or of man-made fibres, women's, girls' and babies' wear	
ex 6209.90	ex 6209 9002		
6	6204.31		6204 3110
			6204 3120
	6204.32		6204 3210
			6204 3220
	6204.33		6204 3310
			6204 3320
	6204.39		6204 3910
			6204 3920
	ex 6202.91	ex 6202 9110	
		ex 6202 9120	
ex 6202.92	ex 6202 9210		
	ex 6202 9220		
ex 6202.93	ex 6202 9310		
	ex 6202 9320		
	ex 6209 1020		
ex 6209.20	ex 6209 2020		
ex 6209.30	ex 6209 3020		
ex 6209.90	ex 6209 9002	Briefs, drawers, panties, undershorts, and the like, knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly of cotton	
7	6107.11		6107 1110
			6107 1120
	6108.21		6108 2110
		6108 2120	
	ex 6111.20	ex 6111 2050	Shirts, knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly of cotton, or of man-made fibres, men's and boys' wear
8	6105.10	6105 1010	
		6105 1020	
	6105.20	6105 2010	
		6105 2020	
		6105 2030	
		6105 2040	
	6106.10	6106 1000	
	6106.20	6106 2010	
		6106 2020	
	ex 6111.20	ex 6111 2040	
ex 6111.30	ex 6111 3040		
ex 6111.90	ex 6111 9004	Blouses, knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly of cotton or of man-made fibres, women's, girls' and babies' wear	

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9	6109.10	6109 1010 ex 6109 1020 ex 6109 1030 ex 6109 1040 ex 6109 1050	Singlets and undershirts, including underwear T-shirts, knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly of cotton, men's, boys', women's, girls' and babies' wear	
	ex 6111.20	ex 6111 2050		
10	6107.21	6107 2110 6107 2120	Pyjamas and other nightgowns, knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly of cotton or of man-made fibres, men's, boys', women's and girls' wear	
	6107.22	6107 2210 6107 2220 6107 2230 6107 2240		
	6108.31	6108 3110 6108 3120		
	6108.32	6108 3210 6108 3220 6108 3230 6108 3240		
11	ex 6101.10	ex 6101 1030 ex 6101 1040		Jackets, sweaters, cardigans, pullovers and jumpers, knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly of cotton, of wool or of man-made fibres
	ex 6101.20	ex 6101 2030 ex 6101 2040		
	ex 6101.30	ex 6101 3030 ex 6101 3040 ex 6101 3070 ex 6101 3080		
	ex 6102.10	ex 6102 1030 ex 6102 1040		
	ex 6102.20	ex 6102 2030 ex 6102 2040		
	ex 6102.30	ex 6102 3030 ex 6102 3040 ex 6102 3070 ex 6102 3080		
	6103.31	6103 3110 6103 3120		
	6103.32	6103 3210 6103 3220		
	6103.33	6103 3310 6103 3320		
	ex 6103.39	6103 3910 6103 3920		
	6104.31	6104 3110 6104 3120		
	6104.32	6104 3220 6104 3210		
	6104.33	6104 3310 6104 3320		
	ex 6104.39	6104 3910 6104 3920		

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11	6110.10	ex 6110 1010	
		ex 6110 1020	
		ex 6110 1030	
		ex 6110 1040	
	6110.20	ex 6110 2010	
		ex 6110 2020	
		ex 6110 2030	
		ex 6110 2040	
	6110.30	ex 6110 3010	
		ex 6110 3020	
		ex 6110 3030	
		ex 6110 3040	
		ex 6110 3050	
		ex 6110 3060	
		ex 6110 3070	
		ex 6110 3080	
	ex 6111.10	ex 6111 1010	
	ex 6111.20	ex 6111 2010	
	ex 6111.30	ex 6111 3010	
	ex 6111.90	ex 6111 9001	
12	6103.41	6103 4110	Trousers, bib and brace overalls, breeches and shorts, knitted or crocheted, wholly or mainly of cotton, of wool, or of man-made fibres
		6103 4120	
		6103 4130	
		6103 4140	
	6103.42	6103 4210	
		6103 4220	
		6103 4230	
		6103 4240	
	6103.43	6103 4310	
		6103 4320	
		6103 4330	
		6103 4340	
	ex 6103.49	6103 4910	
		6103 4920	
		6103 4930	
		6103 4940	
	6104.61	6104 6110	
		6104 6120	
		6104 6130	
		6104 6140	
	6104.62	6104 6210	
		6104 6220	
		6104 6230	
		6104 6240	
	6104.63	6104 6310	
		6104 6320	
		6104 6330	
		6104 6340	
	6104.69	6104 6910	
		6104 6920	
		6104 6930	
		6104 6940	
ex 6111.10	ex 6111 1040		
ex 6111.20	ex 6111 2040		
ex 6111.30	ex 6111 3040		
ex 6111.90	ex 6111 9004		

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13	6112.11 6112.12 ex 6112.19 ex 6111.20 ex 6111.30 ex 6111.90	ex 6112 0001 ex 6112 0002 ex 6112 0003 ex 6112 0004 ex 6112 0005 ex 6112 0006 ex 6112 0007 ex 6112 0008 ex 6112 0009 ex 6112 0010 ex 6112 0011 ex 6112 0012 ex 6111 2020 ex 6111 3020 ex 6111 9002	Track suits, knitted, wholly or mainly of cotton or of man-made fibres

Underwear T-shirts are single-coloured, not patterned nor printed T-shirts, Multi-coloured, patterned or printed T-shirts which are packed and shipped together with matching briefs as sets of underwear are considered as underwear T-shirts.