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Textiles Surveillance Body

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4

Amendment of the bilateral agreement between Canada and Poland

The Textiles Surveillance Body received a notification from Canada of an amendment of its bilateral agreement with Poland. The restraint level for tailored collar shirts was raised substantially, effective 1 January 1989 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.

¹The bilateral agreement is contained in COM.TEX/SB/1411.

²See COM.TEX/SB/35, Annex B

* English only/Anglais seulement/Inglés solamente

September 12, 1988

Mr. M. Kalinowski
Trade Commissioner
Trade Commissioner's Office of the
Polish People's Republic in Canada
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Dear Mr. Kalinowski:

I refer to the Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of Canada and the Government of Poland relating to the export from Poland of certain textiles and textile products for import into Canada (MOU), and to the proposal contained in your letter of August 16, 1988, for an increase in the restraint level for Category 2 (tailored-collar shirts) to 100,000 units.

I have the honour to inform you that the Government of Canada accepts the above-mentioned proposal. The Polish authorities will therefore restrain, effective January 1, 1989, exports from Poland of tailored-collar shirts to Canada at a level of 100,000 units for the period January 1, 1989, through December 31, 1989. The restraints for 1989 will be accorded annual growth of 3% in 1990 and 1991. The provision for swing (MOU paragraph 15) shall be 5%, carry-over/carry-forward (MOU paragraphs 16-19) 10%/5% and combined flexibility (MOU paragraph 20) 12%. Swing, in accordance with MOU paragraph 15, will be based on the appropriate conversion factor of 1.8 square metres per unit.

I would further propose that, if this arrangement is acceptable to the Polish authorities, this letter and the letter of reply from the Government of Poland confirming its acceptance of the proposal constitute an amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding to this effect.

Yours sincerely,

C.A. Valle
Director
Import Controls Division I
(Textiles & Clothing)
Special Trade Relations Bureau

October 3, 1988.

Mr. C.A. Valle - Director
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Dear Mr. Valle,

I refer to your letter of September 12, 1988 containing the Canadian Government's acceptance of our proposal for increasing up to 100,000 units the restraint level of tailored collar shirts in Category 2 of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of Canada and the Government of Poland relating to the export from Poland of certain textiles and textile products for import into Canada /MOU/.

I wish to confirm, on behalf of the Government of Poland the above mentioned arrangement containing the following statements proposed in your letter :

The Polish authorities will restrain, effective January 1, 1989, exports from Poland of tailored-collar shirts to Canada at a level of 100,000 units for the period January 1, 1989, through December 31, 1989. The restraints for 1989 will be accorded annual growth of 3% in 1990 and 1991. The provision for swing /MOU paragraph 15/ shall be 5%, carry-over/carry-forward /MOU paragraphs 16-19/ 10%/5% and combined flexibility /MOU paragraph 20/ 12%. Swing, in accordance with MOU paragraph 15 will be based on the appropriate conversion factor of 1.8 square metres per unit.

I also accept your proposal to concern both our letters as an amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding between Canada and Poland.

Thanking you for your kind cooperation I remain,

Sincerely yours

Barian Kalinowski

Trade Commissioner