

# GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

## TARIFFS AND TRADE

RESTRICTED

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### ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

#### Notification under Article 11

Report on the Status of Restrictive Measures  
as requested by the TSB in accordance with Article 11<sup>1</sup>

#### UNITED STATES

Attached is a report received from the United States on the status of restrictions maintained by it on imports of textile products covered by the Arrangement as extended by the 1986 Protocol. This report has been submitted in accordance with Article 11, paragraphs 11, 12 and 2 of the MFA.<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup>See COM.TEX/SB/1542

<sup>2</sup>The previous report is contained in COM.TEX/SB/1489/Add.19

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Letter from the Delegation of the United States

20 August 1990

The Honourable  
Ambassador Marcelo Raffaelli  
Chairman, Textiles Surveillance Body  
GATT  
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Dear Ambassador Raffaelli:

This responds to your letter requesting information, pursuant to Article 11 of the MFA, on restrictions maintained on trade in textiles by the Government of the United States.

As of 31 July 1990 the United States had negotiated restrictions on textile products with thirty-nine countries, and was maintaining unilateral restraints on products with Thailand, the United Arab Emirates and Fiji.

Enclosed is a table outlining the status of the various agreements as of 31 July 1990. In some cases, agreements have been initiated, but formal notes have not been exchanged.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Shepherd  
Minister Counsellor

Enclosure

30 July 1990

Table 1  
United States Bilateral Textiles Agreements

Country	Fibre Coverage	Type	Expiry Date
1. Argentina	W	Article 4 selective	31.3.1992
2. Bangladesh	C, MMF, N <sup>1</sup>	Article 4 selective	31.1.1993 <sup>2</sup>
3. Brazil*	C, W, MMF	Article 4 comprehensive <sup>3</sup>	31.3.1992
4. Burma	C, MMF, N	Selective	31.12.1990
5. China*	C, W, MMF, N	Article 4 comprehensive	31.12.1991
6. Costa Rica	(a) C, MMF (b) GAL	Article 4 selective <sup>2, 4</sup>	31.5.1992
7. Czechoslovakia	(a) W, MMF	Article 4 selective	31.5.1992
8. Dominican Republic	(a) C, MMF (b) GAL	Article 4 selective	31.5.1992
9. Egypt	(a) Cotton (b) C, W, MMF	Article 4 selective/ consultation	31.12.1991
10. El Salvador	C	Selective <sup>4</sup>	31.12.1992
11. Germany, East	W	Selective	31.12.1990
12. Guatemala	C	Article 4 selective <sup>4</sup>	31.12.1992
13. Haiti	(a) MMF (b) GAL	Selective <sup>4</sup>	31.12.1993
14. Hong Kong*	C, W, MMF, N	Article 4 comprehensive	31.12.1991

Country	Fibre Coverage	Type	Expiry Date
15. Hungary	C, W, MMF	Article 4 selective	31.12.1991
16. India*	C, W, MMF N (Apparel)	Article 4 comprehensive	31.12.1991
17. Indonesia*	C, W, MMF N	Article 4 comprehensive	30.6.1992
18. Jamaica	(a) C, W, MMF  (b) GAL	Article 4 comprehensive	31.12.1992
19. Japan	C, W, MMF	Article 4 comprehensive <sup>4</sup>	31.12.1991
20. Korea*	C, W, MMF, N	Article 4 comprehensive	31.12.1991
21. Macao*	C, W, MMF, N	Article 4 comprehensive	31.12.1991
22. Malaysia*	C, W, MMF, N	Article 4 comprehensive	31.12.1991
23. Mauritius	C, W, MMF, N	Selective	30.9.1990
24. Mexico	C, W, MMF	Article 4 selective	31.12.1991
25. Nepal	C	Selective	31.12.1993
26. Pakistan*	C, MMF, N (Apparel)	Article 4 selective	31.12.1991
27. Peru	C, W, MMF	Article 4 comprehensive	31.12.1991
28. Philippines*	C, W, MMF, N (apparel)	Article 4 comprehensive	31.12.1991

Country	Fibre Coverage	Type	Expiry Date
29. Poland*	C, W, MMF	Article 4 comprehensive	31.12.1992
30. Singapore*	C, W, MMF	Article 4 comprehensive	31.12.1990
31. Soviet Union	C	Article 4 selective	31.12.1992
32. Sri Lanka	C, W, MMF, N	Article 4 comprehensive	30.6.1992
33. Taiwan*	C, W, MMF, N	Comprehensive	31.12.1995
34. Trinidad & Tobago	(a) C, MMF (b) GAL	Selective	31.12.1990
35. Turkey	C, MMF	Article 4 <sub>4</sub> selective	30.6.1991
36. United Arab Emirates	C, MMF	Selective	31.12.1991
37. Uruguay	C, W	Article 4 <sub>2</sub> selective	30.6.1991
39. Yugoslavia	C, W, MMF	Article 4 selective	31.12.1992

\* Indicates Aggregate Limit or de facto equivalent.

<sup>1</sup>C=Cotton; W=Wool; MMF=Man-made fibre; N=New MFA fibres (i.e., vegetable fibres other than cotton and silk blends); GAL=Guaranteed Access Levels under CBI Special Access Programme.

<sup>2</sup>Some restraints expire on a different date; date given is the latest date a restraint expires.

<sup>3</sup>Article 4, Comprehensive: several of the bilateral agreements identified here as "Comprehensive" have only a few specific limits, but they do all have some type of consultation mechanism covering product categories of the fibres concerned.

<sup>4</sup>Formal exchange of notes not yet completed.