

# GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

## TARIFFS AND TRADE

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Textiles Surveillance Body

### ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

#### Notification under Articles 7 and 8

#### Extension of the bilateral agreement between Canada and South Africa

The Textiles Surveillance Body received a notification from Canada of the extension of its bilateral agreement with South Africa for the period 1 January 1992 to 31 December 1992.<sup>1</sup>

This notification was made pursuant to a request by the Textiles Committee that restrictions applied to non-participants be notified. The TSB is forwarding the text of the notification to participating countries for their information.

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<sup>1</sup>The bilateral agreement is contained in COM.TEX/SB/1571.

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**REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA**

**142/1/5**

The Department of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of South Africa presents its compliments to the Canadian Embassy and has the honour to refer to the Embassy's Note No. 101 of 12 September 1991 and this Departments Note Verbale 142/1/5 dated 3 July 1991 concerning the Uruguay Round of GATT Negotiations and the Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of Canada and the Government of the Republic of South Africa relating to the export from South Africa of certain textiles and textile products for import into Canada.

The Department wishes to advise the Embassy that the South African authorities agree to the proposal by the Canadian authorities that the current Memorandum of Understanding between Canada and the Republic of South Africa relating to textiles and textile products be extended for one year with the understanding that all terms and conditions, including growth rates and flexibility provisions, will apply to such an extension.

The Department of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of South Africa avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Canadian Embassy the assurance of its highest consideration.

Pretoria, 13 November 1991

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**CANADIAN EMBASSY**

**Note No. 101**

The Canadian Embassy presents its compliments to the Department of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of South Africa and has the honour to refer to the former's Note No. 016 of 12 March 1991 proposing that the Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of Canada and the Government of the Republic of South Africa relating to the export from South Africa of certain textiles and textile products for import into Canada (MOU) be extended to 31 December 1992.

Given the decision of the GATT Textiles Committee to extend the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles (MFA) until 31 December 1992, the expiry of the current MOU at the end of this year is causing considerable uncertainty in the textile and clothing industries in both Canada and South Africa. In order to minimize any uncertainty in trade in textiles and clothing between South Africa and Canada and given the need to maintain protection for the domestic textile industry in Canada, Canadian authorities wish to re-iterate their proposal that the MOU governing our bilateral textile trade be extended for a period of one year, until 31 December 1992. This extension would apply to all terms and conditions contained in the current MOU including growth rates and flexibility provisions. The extension will be without prejudice to any changes which may be negotiated in the Uruguay Round governing textile trade beyond 1991. Canadian authorities would appreciate an early response to this proposal.

The Canadian Embassy avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Department of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of South Africa the assurances of its highest consideration.

Pretoria, 12 September 1991