

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

TARIFFS AND TRADE

RESTRICTED

COM.TEX/SB/1810*

15 December 1992

Special Distribution

Textiles Surveillance Body

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4

Bilateral agreement between Finland and Pakistan

The Textiles Surveillance Body received a notification from Finland of a bilateral agreement regarding bedlinen concluded with Pakistan for the period 1 January 1992 to 31 December 1992, with the possibility of a twelve-month extension.¹

The TSB, pursuant to its² procedures regarding bilateral agreements notified under Article 4,² has examined the relevant documentation and is forwarding the text of the notification to participating countries for their information.

¹The previous bilateral agreement valid until 30 June 1991 is contained in COM.TEX/SB/1238.

²See COM.TEX/SB/35, Annex B.

*English only/Anglais seulement/Inglés solamente

AGREED MINUTES

Consultations were held between the Delegations of the Republic of Finland and the Islamic Republic of Pakistan in Geneva on 17-18 June 1991, and in Islamabad on 25-27 July 1991, as a result of which "Agreed Minutes" were initialled on 27 July 1991. As a follow-up thereof, further consultations were held in Geneva on 30 June-2 July, and 16-17 September 1992.

Having regard to the Arrangement regarding International Trade in Textiles as extended until 31 December 1992, and in particular to Article 4 of the Arrangement, the Delegations agreed on the following:

1. (A) For the period from 1 January 1992, to 31 December 1992, the Government of Pakistan will limit exports to Finland of the textile products specified in Annex I to these Minutes to the levels set out in that Annex.

(B) Should the Uruguay Round agreement for integration of the textile sector into the GATT not come into force in January 1993, the validity of these Minutes shall stand extended for a further period of one year commencing on 1 January 1993. However, such extension shall be brought into conformity with any successor to the current Protocol of Extension to the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles.

2. Finland will for the purpose of these arrangements admit imports of the textile products of Pakistani origin set out in Annex I to the levels set out in that Annex provided that such imports into Finland are covered by export licenses, as per specimen at Annex II, issued by the Export Promotion Bureau of Pakistan. The export licenses shall bear endorsement by competent Pakistani officials to the effect that the consignment concerned has been debited to the agreed level for exports to Finland for the relevant period. The date of shipment indicated on the shipping documents shall be considered to be the date of exportation.

3. If the Information available to the Finnish authorities through the import surveillance system shows that the quantitative limit for the products specified in Annex I has already been reached or that the unused balance of the limit is insufficient to cover the goods specified in the export license, the Finnish authorities may, subject to the provisions of paragraph 4 below of these Minutes, refuse to admit imports of such products for any quantity in excess of the quantitative limits set out in Annex I. In such a case the Finnish authorities shall immediately inform the Pakistani authorities of their decision.

4. In the case of extension of these arrangements pursuant to paragraph 1 (B) of these Minutes the carry over and carry forward taken together shall not exceed 11 per cent of which carry forward shall not represent more than 6 per cent.

5. Finland and Pakistan agree to consult together, at the request of either Party, on any matter arising from the implementation of these arrangements.
6. Pakistan will forward to Finland quarterly statistics on a cumulative basis of the textile products for which export licenses for export to Finland have been issued. Finland will forward to Pakistan quarterly statistics on a cumulative basis of imports of the said textile products.
7. Either Party may at any time terminate these arrangements provided that at least one hundred and twenty days notice is given, in which case these arrangements shall come to an end at the expiry of the said period of one hundred and twenty days.
8. The Annexes to these Agreed Minutes shall form an integral part thereof.
9. The arrangements agreed through these Minutes shall be applied provisionally from 1 January 1992.

Done in Geneva on 20 October 1992.

For the Delegation of
Finland

Erik Hagfors

For the Delegation of
Pakistan

Munir Ahmad

ANNEX 1

HS Number	Description	Unit of quantity	Initialled restraint level for 1 July 1991 to 30 June 1992	Restraint level for 1 January 1992 to 31 December 1992	Growth rate for 1 January 1993 to 31 December 1993, subject to Paragraph 1 (B) of the Agreed Minutes
63.02.21.00	Bedsheets,	Kgs	289,000	298,000 (x)	5 %
63.02.22.00	quiltcovers,				
63.02.31.00	pillowcases				
63.02.32.00	and similar				
	products,				
	made of				
	cotton or				
	man-made				
	fibres or				
	blends thereof				
	other than				
	knitted or				
	crocheted				

(x) of which customs cleared into Finland from
1 January 1992 to 31 August 1992: 178.229 Kgs.

ANNEX II

No. PAK/FINLAND/

Date:

EXPORT CERTIFICATE FOR FINLAND

1. Country of origin_____
2. Agreement period_____
3. Exporter's name and address_____

We certify that the above exporter is authorized to export the following goods which have been debited against Pakistan's country quota of Finland.

4. Designation_____
5. Order/LC No:_____
6. Description of goods_____
7. Net weight
and quantity (Pieces/Kilogram of metric tons)_____
8. Value (FOB)_____
9. Name of ship or flight No._____
10. Date of shipment_____
11. Importer's name and address_____

EXPORT PROMOTION BUREAU
GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN