

**GENERAL AGREEMENT  
ON TARIFFS AND TRADE**

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**Textiles Surveillance Body**

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**ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES**

**Notification transmitted under Articles 7 and 8**

**Extension of the agreement between  
Canada and the Dominican Republic**

The Textiles Surveillance Body received a notification under Article 4 from Canada of a further extension of its agreement with the Dominican Republic for the period 1 January 1993 to 31 December 1994.<sup>1</sup>

The TSB decided to transmit the notification to participating countries under Articles 7 and 8, as the Dominican Republic had not as yet accepted the 1993 Protocol maintaining in force the Arrangement.<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup>The bilateral agreement, previous extensions and modification are contained in COM.TEX/SB/1608, 1731 and 1861.

<sup>2</sup>For an observation on this notification, see COM.TEX/SB/1954.

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**MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE EXPORTATION OF CERTAIN  
TEXTILES OF THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC WITH DESTINATION CANADA.  
(ANNEX TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA AND  
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC.)**

In the city of Santo Domingo, Capital of the Dominican Republic, during the 26th and 27th day of the month of May of the year 1993, a round of negotiations was carried out between the representatives of the Governments of the Dominican Republic and Canada, pertaining to the negotiation of an Agreement on Bilateral Trade of Textiles in virtue of the call for consultation made by the Canadian Government, by means of Note No. 010/93 of 17 March 1993, delivered by the Canadian Embassy to the Secretariat of State of Foreign Affairs, in accordance to the provisions of Article 3 of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles (MFA).

The Agreement will be effective until 31 December 1994 without prejudice to any changes which may arise as a result of a successful conclusion of the Uruguay Round.

The Dominican Republic delegation was presided by Mr. Miguel Antonio Rodriguez Cabrer, Deputy Secretary of State of Foreign Affairs for Economic Issues.

The Canadian delegation was presided by Mr. Roger Belanger, Deputy Director of the Import Controls 1 Division of External Affairs and International Trade Canada.

The list of the members of both delegations has been included as Annex V.

The negotiations took place in a friendly environment which has always characterized the good relations existing between both countries and with the purpose of reaching an Agreement which is mutually satisfactory and which is in accordance to the Agreement related to the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles (MFA).

Both delegations discussed the levels of exportation of suits (men and boys), underwear and t-shirts and agreed in accordance to the provisions contained in annexes I, II, III and IV.

The terms of the present Memorandum of Agreement will be confirmed by means of the exchange of Diplomatic Notes which will take place between both subscribing Governments.

(Signed)  
MIGUEL ANTONIO RODRIGURZ CABRER  
For the Government of the Dominican Republic

(Signed)  
ROGER BELANGER  
For the Government of Canada

ANNEX I - RESTRAINT LEVELSDOMINICAN REPUBLICGROUP I

(A) Agreement Item No.	(B) Product Coverage		(C) 1993 Restraint Level (unit)	(D) Growth	(E) Swing	(F) Carryover Carry Forward	(G) Combined Flexibility (E) & (F)	(H) Conversion Factor (m2 unit)
	Category	Short Description						
3a	3.1 3.3	Suits, MB; Jackets & blazers, MB	145,331	n/a	7%	11 % (6%)	15%	4.4
8a	8.2	T-shirts	1,402,242	n/a	7%	10 % (5%)	12%	1.7
9	9.0	Underwear	2,509,249	n/a	7%	10 % (5%)	12%	0.8

GROUP I

(A) Agreement Item No.	(B) Product Coverage		(C) 1994 Restraint Level (unit)	(D) Growth	(E) Swing	(F) Carryover Carry Forward	(G) Combined Flexibility (E) & (F)	(H) Conversion Factor (m2 unit)
	Category	Short Description						
3a	3.1 3.3	Suits, MB; Jackets & blazers, MB	154,051	6%	7%	11 % (6%)	15%	4.4
8a	8.2	T-shirts	1,600,000	6%	7%	10 % (5%)	12%	1.7
9	9.0	Underwear	2,800,000	6%	7%	10 % (5%)	12%	0.8

**ANNEX II - CLOTHING CATEGORIES****DOMINICAN REPUBLIC****GROUP I**

<b>Short Description</b>	<b>Category</b>	<b>Sub-Category</b>	<b>Long Description</b>
<b>Male casual and Fine Wear</b>	<b>3</b>		Suits, ensembles, jackets, blazers MB, k/c & woven
		3.1	- Suits MB, k/c & woven
		3.3	- Jackets, blazers MB k/c & Woven
<b>T-shirts</b>		8.2	T-shirts (other than of the underwear type) - MBWGC, k/c
<b>Underwear</b>	<b>9.0</b>		Underpants, briefs, panties, slips, petticoats and similar articles, MBWGC, k/c & woven; T-shirts (of the underwear type), MBWGC, k/c; Singlets and other vests (of the underwear type), MBWGC, k/c and woven:
- Underwear, MB	9.1		- Men's and boys'
- Underwear, WG	9.2		- Women's and girls'
- Underwear, C	9.3		- Children's

**Annex III - Swing Provisions**

Subject to the specific limitations set out in Annex I and following notification to the Government of Canada, any restraint level may be exceeded by the percentage shown in column (E) provided that an equivalent amount, through application of the conversion factors shown in column (H), is deducted from any other restraint level in the same group. When any restraint level is exceeded by the application of swing, the Government of the Dominican Republic will so indicate in subsequent monthly statistical reports.

**Annex IV - Provisions effective from 1 June 1993 until 31 December 1994**

During these discussions, it was agreed that the Dominican Republic authorities will restrain, effective 1 June 1993, exports of T-shirts and underwear originating from the Dominican Republic to Canada at an annual restraint level for 1993 of respectively 1,402,242 and 2,509,249. It was agreed that during the period 1 June 1993 to 31 December 1993, exports of T-shirts and underwear will be restrained at the level of respectively 817,975 and 1,463,729 units. For 1994, the respective restraint levels will be 1.6 and 2.8 million units as indicated in Annex I. T-shirts which shall be specified as "Agreement item number 8a" and underwear which shall be specified as "Agreement item number 9" for the purpose of identification (see Annex I), are defined in the attached Annex II which replaces the previous Annex II.

**Provisions regarding Textile Visa**

The Dominican Republic authorities requested, and it was agreed to by the Canadian delegation, that starting 1 June 1993, shipments of T-shirts and underwear from the Dominican Republic would be issued Canadian import permits only if accompanied by export licenses (textile visa) issued by the Dominican Republic.

**TEXT OF CANADIAN NOTE NO. 023/93**  
**OF 8 JUNE 1993**

The Canadian Embassy presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Dominican Republic and has the honour to refer to the Memorandum of Agreement signed by representatives of Canada and of the Dominican Republic in Santo Domingo on 27 May 1993 concerning the restraint on exports of T-shirts and underwear from the Dominican Republic to Canada and the extension until 31 December 1994 of the bilateral arrangement relating to the export from the Dominican Republic of certain textiles and textile products for import into Canada.

The Canadian authorities wish to confirm their acceptance of the Memorandum of Agreement.

TEXT OF DOMINICAN REPUBLIC NOTE NO. 13565  
OF 15 JUNE 1993

The Secretariat of State of Foreign Relations salutes very attentively the Canadian Embassy on occasion to advise receipt of its Note No. 023/93 of date of 8 June 1993 referring to the restriction of our exports of T-shirts and underwear to Canada. In such sense, this Secretariat of State, in name of the Dominican Government, can confirm to the Embassy of Canada that stipulated in the Memorandum of Understanding which was signed between both governments at the end of the past textile negotiations. The Secretariat of State of Foreign Relations takes the present opportunity to renew to the Canadian Embassy the assurances of its highest consideration.