

**GENERAL AGREEMENT  
ON TARIFFS AND TRADE**

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**Textiles Surveillance Body**

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**ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES**

**Notification under Article 4:4**

**Amendment of the Bilateral Agreement  
between the United States and the Philippines**

The Textiles Surveillance Body received a notification from the United States of an amendment of its agreement with the Philippines for the period 1 January 1994 to 31 December 1995.<sup>1</sup>

The TSB, pursuant to its procedures regarding notifications received under Article 4,<sup>2</sup> has examined the relevant documentation and is forwarding the text of the notification to participating countries for their information.

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<sup>1</sup>The bilateral agreement, previous extensions and amendments are contained in COM.TEX/SB/1304, 1795 and 1929.

<sup>2</sup>See COM.TEX/SB/35, Annex B.

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8 August 1994

**UNITED STATES AND THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES  
AMEND BILATERAL TEXTILE AGREEMENT**

The United States and the Republic of the Philippines amended their bilateral textile agreement by exchange of notes dated 7 July and 29 July 1994. Text of the notes are attached.

**United States Department of State  
Washington, D.C. 20520**

7 July 1994

Dear Mr. Basilio,

I have the honour to refer to the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles done in Geneva on 20 December 1973, as extended (the Arrangement) and to the Agreement on Trade in Cotton, Wool, Man-Made Fibre Textiles and Textile Products and Silk-Blend and Other Vegetable Fibre Apparel between the Government of the Republic of the Philippines and the Government of the United States of America, extended and amended by exchange of notes in Washington on 10 March and 19 March 1994 (the Agreement).

I have the further honour to inform you that the provision concerning an addition to the specific limit for hand crocheted items in Category 345 (cotton sweaters) was inadvertently omitted from Annex B of the Agreement.

The Government of the United States now proposes to amend the Agreement between our two Governments to include a footnote to Annex B which reads:

"(1) An additional ten percent shall be available for hand crocheted items in Category 345."

If this proposal is acceptable to your Government, this letter and your letter of reply shall constitute an amendment to the textile agreement between our two Governments.

Sincerely,

(Signed)  
Ishmael G. Lara  
Acting Chief, Textile Division  
Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs

Minister Antonio I. Basilio  
Deputy Chief of Mission  
Embassy of the Philippines

**Embassy of the Philippines  
Washing, D.C.**

29 July 1994

Dear Mr. Lara,

I have the honour to refer to your letter of 7 July 1994, which reads as follows:

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Embassy of the Philippines"

The Government of the Republic of the Philippines confirms acceptance of the proposal to amend the agreement between the two Governments to include a footnote to Annex B which reads:

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Deputy Chief of Mission

Mr. Ishmael G. Lara  
Acting Chief, Textile Division  
Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs