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Textiles Surveillance Body

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4

Extension of the Bilateral Agreement between Canada and the Slovak Republic

The Textiles Surveillance Body received a notification from Canada of an extension of its agreement with the Slovak Republic, valid from 1 January 1994 to 31 December 1995.

The TSB, pursuant to its procedures regarding notifications received under Article 4,2 has examined the relevant documentation and is forwarding the text of the notification to MFA participants

¹The original agreement is contained in COM.TEX/SB/1848.

²See COM.TEX/SB/35, Annex B.

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Mr. Jozef Horsky Commercial Counsellor Embassy of the Slovak Republic 50 Rideau Terrace Ottawa, Ontario K1M 2A1

Dear Mr. Horsky,

This is to confirm the Canadian authorities proposal regarding the extension to 31 December 1995 of the arrangement relating to the export from the Slovak Republic of textiles and clothing for import into Canada (the MOU).

The Canadian authorities propose further, that the attached documents entitled "Annex I - Restraint Levels Slovak Republic Group I", "Annex I - Restraint Levels Slovak Republic Group II", "Annex II - Preamble Slovak Republic", "Annex II - Clothing Categories Slovak Republic Group II", and "Annex II - Textile Categories Slovak Republic Group II" replace the Annexes I and II presently appended to the MOU, effective 1 January 1994.

The Canadian authorities propose that this letter, along with your reply, including initialled Annexes constitute an agreement extending the MOU based on the Harmonized System to 31 December 1995.

Yours sincerely,

Roger Belanger
Deputy Director
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Export and Import Permits Bureau

SLOVAK REPUBLIC

GROUP I

| (A) Agreement Item No. | (B) Product Coverage | | (C) 1994 | (D) Growth | (E) Swing | (F) Carry-over/ | (G) Combined | (H) Conversion |
|------------------------|----------------------|--|-----------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|
| | Сапедоту | Short Description | Restraint Level (NMB) | | | Carry forward | Flexibility (E) & (F) | Factor (m²/unit) |
| 3a (Note 1) | 3.1 3.3 | Suits, MB: Jackets & blazers, MB | 71,212 | 4% | 7% | 10% (5%) | 15% | 3.6 |
| 5 | 5.0 | Trousers, overalls & shorts | 208,998 | 6% | 7% | 10% (5%) | 15% | 1,4 |

Note 1: HS codes for C are excluded for categories 3.1 and 3.3

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GROUP II

| (A) Agreement Item No. | (B) Product Coverage | | (C) 1994 | (D) Growth | (E) Swing | (F) Carry-over/ | (G) Combined | (H) |
|------------------------------|----------------------|---|-----------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|
| | Category | Short Description | Restraint Level (KGM) | | | Carry forward | Flexibility (E) & (F) | Factor (m²/unit) |
| 31a | 31.1 | Combed woo! | 86,635 | 3% | 7% | 10% (5%) | 15% | 3.8 |
| 42a | 42.1 | Toslet & kitchen linen, cotton terry, woven | 5,805 | 6% | 7% | 10% (5%) | 15% | 2.8 |

Note: No swing between products in Group I and products in Group II.

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GROUP I

| (A) Agreement Item No. | (B) Product Coverage | | (C) 1995 | (D) Growth | (E) Swing | (F) Carry-over/ | (G) Combined | (H) Conversion |
|------------------------------|----------------------|--|-----------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|
| | Category | Short Description | Restraint Level (NMB) | | | Carry forward | Flexibility (E) & (F) | Factor (m²/unit) |
| 3a (Note 1) | 3.1 3.3 | Suits, MB: Jackets & blazers, MB | 74,060 | 4% | 7% | 10% (5%) | 15% | 3.6 |
| 5 | 5.0 | Trousers, overalls & shorts | 221,538 | 6% | 7% | 10% (5%) | 15% | 1.4 |

Note 1: HS codes for C are excluded for categories 3.1 & 3.3

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GROUP II

| (A) Agreement Item No. | (B) Product Coverage | | (C) 1995 | (D) Growth | (E) Swing | (F) Carry-over/ | (G) Combined | (H) Conversion |
|------------------------|-------------------------|---|-----------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| | Category | Short Description | Restraint Level (KGM) | | | Carry forward | Flexibility (E) & (F) | Factor (m²/unit) |
| 31a | 31.1 | Combed wool fabric | 89,255 | 3% | 7% | 10% (5%) | 15% | 3.8 |
| 42a | 52.1 | Toilet & kitchen linen, cotton terry, woven | 6,153 | 6% | 7% | 10% (5%) | 15% | 2.8 |

Note: No swing between products in Group I and products in Group II.

ANNEX II

PREAMBLE

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- 1. Unless otherwise indicated, gender means garments for men (M), boys (B) (sizes 8 to 18), women (W), girls (G) (sizes 7 to 16), children (C) (sizes 2 to 6X) and babies, of a body height not exceeding 86 cm (sizes 0 to 24 months).
- 2. Unless otherwise indicated, swing is permitted from adult garments to children's and babies' garments at a 3 to 5 ratio.
- 3. A partially manufactured textile article shall be taken to include an article unfinished or incomplete (including cut or shaped fabric for making such articles), provided that, as presented, the incomplete or unfinished article has the essential character of the complete or finished article. It shall also be taken to include the article presented unassembled or disassembled.
- 4. Garments of indeterminate gender, including unisex garments, are to be counted as of female gender.
- 5. Unless otherwise indicated, products covered by restraints under this arrangement in Group I and in Group II are those which predominate by weight of wool, cotton, or man-made fibres.

ANNEX II - CLOTHING CATEGORIES

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GROUP I

| Short Description | Category | Sub Category | Long Description | Units |
|-----------------------------|----------|-----------------|---|-------|
| - Fine suits, MBC | | 3.1 | - Suits - MBC, k/c & woven. | NMB |
| - Jackets & blazers, MBC | | 3.3 | - Jackets and biazers - MBC, k/c & woven. | |
| Trousers, overalls & shorts | 5 | | - Trousers, bib and brace overalls, breeches, shorts - MBWGC, k/c & woven; - coveralls - MBWGC, k/c & woven: | имв |
| - Trousers, MB | | 5.1 | - Trousers and breeches - MB, k/c & woven. | |
| - Trousers, WG | | 5.2 | - Trousers and breeches - WG, k/c & woven. | |
| - Trousers, C | | 5.3 | - Trousers and breeches - C, k/c & woven. | |
| - Overalls & coveralis | | 5.4 | Bib and brace overalls - MBWGC, k/c & woven; coveralls - MBWGC, k/c & woven. | |
| - Shorts | | 5.5 | - Shorts - MBWGC, k/c & woven. | |

ANNEX II - TEXTILE CATEGORIES

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GROUP II

| Short Description | Category | Sub Category | Long Description | Units |
|--|----------|-----------------|---|-------|
| - Combed wool fabric | | 31.1 | Woven fabrics of combed wool or fine animal hair, other woven fabrics, mixed mainly or solely with combed wool or fine animal hair, gauze of combed wool: and similar fabrics, impregnated, coated, covered or laminated. | KGM |
| - Toilet & kitchen linen, cotton terry, woven | | 42.1 | - Toilet linen and kitchen linen, woven, of terry towelling, of cotton. | KGM |

EMBASSY OF THE SLOVAK REPUBLIC AMBASSADE DE LA REPUBLIQUE SLOVAQUE

Note No. 8/94

The Embassy of the Slovak Republic presents its compliments to the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade and has the honour to acknowledge the reception of Department's letter EPT 0025 of 7 January 1994, regarding the extension of the arrangement relating to the export from the Slovak Republic of textiles and clothing for import into Canada (the MOU) valid till 31 December 1995.

The Slovak authorities agree that this note along with your letter and the attached initialled Annexes constitute an agreement extending the MOU based on the Harmonized System to 31 December 1995.

The Embassy has the honour to submit to the Department of Foreign Affairs the list of names and specimen of the signatures and stamp of the officials authorized to sign Slovak export licences issued by the Ministry of Economy of the Slovak Republic for the export of textiles and clothing to Canada.

In accordance with the MOU the Embassy presents to the Department of Foreign Affairs the restraint utilization data for the 1993 restraint periods based on licences issued by 31 December 1993.

The Slovak Embassy avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Department of Foreign Affairs the assurance of its highest consideration.

Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade Ottawa

10 February 1994

Enclosure