

**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

**Extension of the Bilateral Agreement
between Canada and the Dominican Republic**

The Textiles Surveillance Body received a notification from Canada of an extension of its bilateral agreement with the Dominican Republic, valid from 1 January 1995 until such time as both parties join the World Trade Organization.¹

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 for their information.

¹The bilateral agreement, previous extensions and modifications are contained in COM.TEX/SB/1608, 1731, 1861 and 1946.

²See COM.TEX/SB/35, Annex B.

*Original language only.

TRANSLATION

The Secretariat for External Relations presents its compliments to the Canadian Embassy and has the honour to acknowledge with thanks receipt of the Embassy's Note No. 072/94 of its 25 November 1994 proposing the extension of the current terms of the Memorandum of Agreement between the Government of Canada and the Government of the Dominican Republic relating to the export from the Dominican Republic of certain textile products for import into Canada.

The Secretariat for External Relations informs the Canadian Embassy that the proposal formulated in the above mentioned Note has been accepted so that the Memorandum of Agreement between both Countries is extended until both Governments will have acceded to the World Trade Organization (WTO) and the Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (ATC) and all provision of the Agreement will be maintained. This extension constituted an interim measure that will provide stability in the trade until the Conclusion of the Uruguay Round of Multilateral Trade Negotiations will enter into effect.

The Secretariat for External Relations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Canadian Embassy the assurances of its highest consideration.

Santo Domingo, D.N.
28 November 1994

TO THE HONOURABLE
CANADIAN EMBASSY
SANTO DOMINGO, D.N.

Canadian Embassy

Note No. 072/94

The Embassy of Canada presents its compliments to the Secretariat for External Relations and has the honour to refer to this Embassy's Note 30/94 of 7 September 1994 and Note 019602 of 10 October 1994 of the Secretariat for External Relations. As mentioned, the Canadian Government wishes to propose the extension for the Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of the Dominican Republic and the Government of Canada relating to the export from the Dominican Republic of certain textile products for import into Canada, until the two Governments, that of Canada and that of the Dominican Republic, will have acceded to the World Trade Organization (WTO) and the Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (ATC), and that all the provisions of the Memorandum of Understanding, including the annual increase, be maintained.

This extension constitutes an interim measure that will provide stability in the trade until the conclusions of the Uruguay Round of multilateral negotiations enter into force.

The Canadian authorities propose that this acceptance by the Dominican authorities through a note verbal should constitute an agreement between Canada and the Dominican Republic. To this end, the Canadian authorities would be grateful to receive a reply by 30 November 1994.

The Embassy of Canada takes this opportunity to renew to the Secretariat for External Relations the assurances of its highest consideration.

Canadian Embassy

Santo Domingo, 25 November 1994