GENERAL AGREEMENT ON
TARIFFS AND TRADE

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ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Article 4 Notifications

Agreement between Canada and Poland

The Textiles Surveillance Body (TSB) has received from Canada a notification of an agreement between Canada and Poland concerning trade in textiles. This agreement has been notified by Canada under Article 4, paragraph 4, of the Arrangement.

The TSB, pursuant to its procedure regarding bilateral agreements notified under Article 4[1], has examined the relevant documentation. The TSB is circulating the text of this agreement to participating countries in the Arrangement for their information.

[1] See COM.TEX/SB/35, Annex B.

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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

1. This Memorandum of Understanding sets out the arrangement which has been agreed between the appropriate authorities of the Governments of Poland and Canada regarding the restraint to be applied by Poland to exports of filament rayon fabrics, other than pile, printed, dobby, jacquard or yarn dyed fabrics in accordance with Article 4 of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles.

2. It is agreed that for the twelve-month period beginning 1 January 1976 the restraint level for exports from Poland to Canada will be 3,450,000 square yards or 2,300,000 running yards.

3. It was agreed, further, that the restraint may be exceeded by carrying forward the short fall which occurred in the previous year and/or by borrowing forward from the succeeding year, up to a maximum of 10 per cent of which borrow-forward should not represent more than 5 per cent. In the event advantage is taken of the borrow-forward provision the quantity involved should be deducted from the restraint to apply for the period from which the borrowing takes place, that is, if a restraint is required for the period.

4. The appropriate Polish state trading corporation will affix to all customs invoices covering exports to Canada of filament rayon fabrics, other than pile, printed, dobby, jacquard or yarn-dyed fabrics, a certification to the effect that the shipments are authorized for export to Canada within the agreed restraint levels. Canadian authorities may refuse entry to shipments of these products manufactured in Poland which are not accompanied by the appropriate certification.

5. Polish and Canadian authorities agree to enter into consultations promptly to review the arrangements regarding filament rayon fabrics, as denoted herein, in the light of any recommendations by the Textile and Clothing Board and the Canadian Government's decisions arising therefrom on these products.

6. Polish and Canadian authorities will provide each other on request with any available statistical data relevant to this arrangement.

7. Polish and Canadian authorities will enter into consultations on request about any matter arising from or related to this arrangement.

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the Polish People's Republic in Canada,
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Ottawa, Ontario.
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