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ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Article 4 Notification

Agreement between Norway and Portugal on behalf of Macao

The Textiles Surveillance Body has received from Norway a notification of a bilateral agreement under Article 4 of the Arrangement between Norway and Portugal on behalf of Macao concerning trade in textiles.

The TSB, pursuant to its procedure regarding bilateral agreements notified under Article 4¹, has examined the relevant documentation and is circulating the text of this agreement to participating countries for their information.

¹See COM.TEX/SB/35, Annex B.

Oslo, 25 July 1975

Dear Mr. Schøyen,

Referring to the consultations held in Oslo on 24 and 25 July 1975, concerning the export of textiles from the Portuguese Overseas Province of Macao to Norway, I have the honour to inform you as follows of the understanding of the Portuguese Government:

1. This agreement has been reached under Article 4 of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles, bearing in mind particularly the provisions of Article 1 of the said arrangement.

2. The Portuguese Government agrees to restrain exports from Macao to Norway of textiles to the following levels:

Textiles and clothing totalling f.o.b. NKr 2,175,000 of which

BTN

pos. 60.04	-- Knitted underwear	NKr 375,000
pos. 60.05	-- Knitted outerwear	" 950,000
pos. 61.01-61.03	-- Ready-made garments not knitted	" 550,000

Exports may exceed the limits for any category by not more than 7 per cent, provided that corresponding reductions are applied in other categories.

3. This Arrangement will apply to exports from Macao from 1 July 1975 to 31 December 1976.

4. The Norwegian authorities shall within the framework prescribed in Article 2 automatically issue import licences for textile goods from Macao covered by Certificate of Origin issued by the Repartição Provincial dos Serviços de Economia de Macao, stating that the goods are of Macao origin and that the goods are approved and debited against the restraint levels for exports to Norway.

5. Either party may request consultations aiming at satisfactory solutions to unforeseen problems arising during the period of validity of this agreement.

6. The Portuguese Government will provide the Norwegian Government with monthly statistics of the export permits issued for exports to Norway of each of the above items.

7. The Norwegian Government will provide the Portuguese Government with monthly statistics on imports from Macao of each of the above items.

8. If a prolongation of this agreement is found necessary, it will provide for an increase of the restraint levels, corresponding to a reasonable share of the increase in the Norwegian consumption. It is likewise understood that a prolongation will be made the subject of prior consultations. If such a prolongation is found necessary, any shortfalls during the period covered by this agreement may be carried forward provided that such exports do not exceed 5 per cent of the limit specified in this agreement, calculated on an annual basis.

Annexed to this letter you will find a copy of the document mentioned in paragraph 4 of this letter.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

(signed) . . . Ramiro Fonseca de Almeida
Chairman of the Portuguese Delegation

Mr. Per G. Schéyen,
Chairman of the Norwegian Delegation

IMPORTS OF TEXTILES FROM MACAO

BTN	1973		1.1.74-30.6.75	
	quantity	'000 NKr	quantity	'000 NKr
6004 Knitted undergarments	--	--	--	--
6005 Knitted outerwear	4.458 kgs.	261	12.965 kgs.	827
6101 Outergarments, not knitted, men's and boys' wear	120 pcs.	4	33.898 pcs.	845
6102 Outergarments, not knitted, women's and girls' wear	712 pcs.	16	5.019 pcs.	137
6103 Undergarments, not knitted, men's and boys' wear	11.316 pcs.	156	17.154 pcs.	296
Textiles, total		437		2.105