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TARIFFS AND TRADE

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ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Article 4 Notification

Amendment to an Agreement between the United States and Pakistan

The Textiles Surveillance Body has received a notification from the United States regarding an amendment to its bilateral agreement with Pakistan, concerning trade in textiles.¹

The TSB, pursuant to its procedure regarding bilateral agreements notified under Article 4², has examined the relevant documentation and is circulating the text of the agreement for the information of the participating countries.

¹For details of the agreement see COM.TEX/SB/93.

²See COM.TEX/SB/35, Annex B.

Islamabad, 4 May 1977

Dear Mr. Chargé d'Affaires,

I have the honour to refer to Ambassador Byroade's Note of 1 April 1977, addressed to the Minister of Foreign Affairs proposing an amendment to paragraph 5 of the United States-Pakistan bilateral agreement of 6 May 1975, on trade in cotton textiles and textile products (hereinafter referred to as the Agreement).

I confirm that the United States proposal to amend paragraph 5 of the Agreement is acceptable to my Government and that Ambassador Byroade's Note and this Note constitute an amendment to the Agreement.

(signed) Agha Shahi

Mr. Peter D. Constable,
Chargé d'Affaires, a.i.
Embassy of the United States
of America in Pakistan,
Islamabad.

Islamabad, Pakistan 1 April 1977

Excellency:

I have the honour to refer to the bilateral agreement of 6 May 1975 on trade in cotton textiles and textile products between the United States and Pakistan (hereinafter referred to as the Agreement). I also refer to discussions between representatives of our two Governments held in Karachi in August 1976. As a result of these discussions, I wish to propose that paragraph 5 of the Agreement be amended by the addition of the following sentence:

"Further, for the third Agreement period, exports of bar mops (terry towels, 18 to 20 inches in length, 15 to 17 inches in width, valued at less than US\$0.45 each f.o.b.) will not be charged against the limit for towels, other than shop towels (parts of Category 31). Exports of bar mops will continue to be charged against the level for Group II and the aggregate level for the third Agreement period."

If the foregoing is acceptable to your Government, I have the honour to propose that this Note and your Note of confirmation on behalf of the Government of Pakistan shall constitute an amendment to the Agreement.

Please accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

(signed) Henry A. Byroade
Ambassador

His Excellency Aziz Ahmed,
Minister of Foreign Affairs,
Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
Islamabad,