

# 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 4:4

#### Modification of the Bilateral Agreement Between Canada and Brazil

The Textiles Surveillance Body has received a notification from Canada of a modification of its bilateral agreement with Brazil. Restraints on T-shirts and sweatshirts were agreed for the period 1 July 1985-31 December 1986.<sup>1</sup>

The TSB, pursuant to its procedures regarding bilateral agreements and modifications notified under Article 4<sup>2</sup>, has examined the relevant documentation and is forwarding the text of the notification to participating countries for their information.

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<sup>1</sup>The text of the bilateral agreement between the parties is contained in COM.TEX/SB/931

<sup>2</sup>See COM.TEX/SB/35, Annex B

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CANADA-BRAZIL TEXTILE CONSULTATIONS

AGREED RECORD OF DISCUSSIONS

Delegations representing the Government of Canada and the Government of the Federative Republic of Brazil met on July 18 and 19 in Brasilia to discuss the export of T-shirts and sweatshirts from Brazil to Canada in accordance with the provisions of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles (MFA).

During these discussions, it was agreed that pursuant to Article 4 of the MFA, Brazilian authorities will begin to restrain, effective July 1, 1985, exports of T-shirts and sweatshirts (as defined in the attached Appendix I) from Brazil to Canada through the issuance of "Export Licences", issued and endorsed by the proper Brazilian authority (CACEX). It was agreed that during the period July 1, 1985, to December 31, 1985, exports of T-shirts and sweatshirts, which shall be specified as item 2 for purpose of identification, will be restrained to the level of 855,000 units.

It was further agreed that exports from Brazil to Canada of T-shirts and sweatshirts shall be restrained for the calendar year 1986 to a level of 1,729,600 units.

The provision for carryover/borrow forward will be 10 per cent, of which borrow forward will not be more than 5 per cent. In addition, children's and infants' (C and I) garments (size 0-6x) will be charged against the restraint level on the basis of each C and I garment equalling 0.6 units. Finally, the item includes partially manufactured garments, i.e. garments which have been cut and sewn, or otherwise assembled, but which require further manufacture or processing.

This Agreed Record of Discussion and Appendix will be considered as Annex III to the Memorandum of Understanding between the Government of Canada and the Government of the Federative Republic of Brazil relating to the export from Brazil of acrylic yarns for import into Canada. This will extend the product coverage of the Agreement as defined in paragraph 5 and the provisions of the Agreement will therefore be read elsewhere as including T-shirts and sweatshirts.

The Canadian Delegation noted that its signature of this agreed record was on an ad referendum basis subject to the approval of the Canadian Government and to confirmation by means of a diplomatic note indicating acceptance.

Brasilia, 19 July 1985

For the Government of  
Canada

For the Government of the  
Federative Republic of Brazil

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

Item no.

2. T-shirts, wholly or mainly by weight of cotton, man-made fibres or wool, or blends thereof. T-shirts are knitted garments which have collarless front openings or no front opening covering the upper part of the body, of construction 19 cut or finer, i.e. 19 or more vertical stitches per inch.

Sweatshirts, wholly or mainly by weight of cotton, man-made fibres or wool, or blends thereof, being garments at least one side of which is brushed or fleeced, covering the upper part of the body. Sweaters are not included.

Letter from the Canadian Embassy to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the  
Federative Republic of Brazil

The Canadian Embassy presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Federative Republic of Brazil and wishes to refer to the agreed record of discussions signed by representatives of Canada and Brazil in Brasilia on July 19, 1985, concerning exports of T-shirts and sweatshirts from Brazil to Canada. Pursuant to the final paragraph of the agreed record, Canadian authorities are pleased to advise the Government of the Federative Republic of Brazil that the Canadian Government, by this note, formally approves and accepts the above mentioned agreed record of discussions and the arrangements outlined therein.

The Canadian Embassy avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Federative Republic of Brazil the assurances of its highest consideration.

Brasilia, Brazil. September 23, 1985