

# GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

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COM.TEX/SB/1278\*

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## TARIFFS AND TRADE

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Textiles Surveillance Body

### ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

#### Notification under Article 4:4

#### Modification of the Bilateral Agreement between the EEC and Thailand

The Textiles Surveillance Body received a notification from the EEC of a modification of its bilateral agreement with Thailand. The parties agreed to a restraint on Category 1 (cotton yarn) for the period 1 January 1987 to 31 December 1991.<sup>1</sup>

The TSB, pursuant to its procedures regarding notifications made 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 is contained in COM.TEX/SB/1277.

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

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AGREED MINUTE

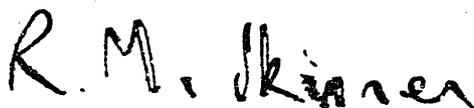
1. A delegation of the European Economic Community and a delegation of the Kingdom of Thailand met on 20 and 23 February 1987 in Bangkok for consultations pursuant to the pertinent Articles of the bilateral Agreement on trade in textiles.
2. As a result of these consultations, Thailand agreed to limit its exports of products falling under category 1 to the Community's region of Italy as follows:

	tonnes
1987	5,000
1988	5,150
1989	5,305
1990	5,464
1991	5,628

3. It is likewise agreed that the provisions of the Agreement which concern exports of products subject to quantitative limits established in Annex II of the Agreement shall apply to the exports referred to above from 1 January 1987.
4. In the course of the consultations Thailand has been informed of the serious concern regarding the development of exports of the same category 1 to the Community's regions of Benelux and the United Kingdom.

Thailand has agreed to enter into consultations in accordance with Articles 8 and 16 of the Agreement should such consultations be necessary.

Bangkok, 23 February 1987



For the European Economic Community



For the Kingdom of Thailand

Bangkok, February 23, 1987

Dear Mr. Skinner,

In the course of the consultations of 20 - 23 February 1987 concerning the limitation of Thailand's exports to the Community's region of Italy of products falling under category 1, Thailand indicated that because of contracts already concluded it would face difficulties with the agreed quantitative limit for Italy of 5,000 tonnes.

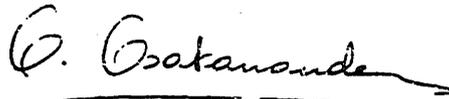
The delegation of the Kingdom of Thailand and the delegation of the European Economic Community agreed that a special supplementary quantity of 400 tonnes would be made available to Thailand in 1987.

Thailand indicated that in the event of quantitative difficulties arising in the remaining years of the agreement; i.e. 1988 - 1991, Thailand would request the Community authorities to consider means of resolving such difficulties.

The EEC delegation replied that reasonable and serious consideration would be given to such a request with due account being taken of the situation of the Italian industry.

I would be grateful if you would confirm that the foregoing is an accurate account of the situation.

Yours sincerely,



(Mrs. Oranuj Osatananda)

Leader of Thai Delegation

Bangkok, February 23, 1987

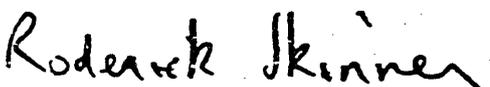
Dear Mrs. Oranuj,

I hereby confirm that your letter dated 23 February 1987 concerning Thailand's exports to Italy of products falling under category 1 and more particularly concerning the supplementary quota of 400 tonnes agreed for 1987 represents an accurate account of the situation.

The Commission delegation took note of the concern expressed by Thailand regarding possible quantitative difficulties in the years 1988-1991.

A reply to requests concerning such difficulties will be made by the Community authorities with the least possible delay and in accordance with the provisions of the Agreement.

Yours sincerely,

  
(Mr. Roderick Skinner)

Leader of the Commission Delegation