GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

TARIFFS AND TRADE

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Textiles Surveillance Body

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 4:4

Extension of the bilateral agreement between the EEC and Argentina

The Textiles Surveillance Body received a notification from the EEC of an extension of their bilateral agreement initialled with Argentina for the twelve-month period 1 January to 31 December 1992.[1]

The TSB, pursuant to its procedures regarding notifications made under Article 4,[2] has examined the relevant documentation and is forwarding the text of the notification to participating countries for their information.

[1]The bilateral agreement and a previous modification are contained in COM.TEX/SB/1268 and 1650.

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

*English only/Anglais seulement/Inglés solamente

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in the Form of Exchange of Letters Amending the Agreement between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Argentina on Trade in Textile Products

Letter Number One

Sir,

1. I have the honour to refer to the consultations held on 24 September 1991 between our respective delegations for the purpose of amending the Agreement on trade in textile products between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Argentina, initialled on 30 September 1986 and applied since 1 January 1987.

2. As a result of these consultations, both parties agreed to amend Article 18, paragraph 1 of the above Agreement so as to extend the period of application of all the provisions of the Agreement for one more year, i.e. until 31 December 1992. Consequently, the parties also agreed to amend Annex II of the Agreement as regards the quantitative limits for exports from the Republic of Argentina to the Community of the textile products referred thereto for the year 1992. The modified Annex II is appended to this letter (Appendix 1).

3. The parties also agreed that as regards Article 14, paragraph 3, of the Agreement, the percentage of inter-regional transfers for the year 1992 shall be determined at a later stage.

4. Both parties agreed that this extension of the Agreement shall enter into force on 1 January 1992 and shall remain in force until 31 December 1992. The parties agreed that this Agreement shall be applied provisionally from 1 January 1992.

5. I should be obliged if you would kindly confirm the acceptance of your Government to the foregoing.

6. Please accept, Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration.

For the Council
of the European Communities

APPENDIX 1

ANNEX II

(The full product descriptions of the categories listed in this annex are to be found in Annex 1 of the Agreement)

COMMUNITY QUANTITATIVE LIMITS

CATEGORY	UNIT	1992
1	T	4,122
2	T	6,137
	T	5,585
46	T	17,933

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Letter Number Two

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 24 September 1991, which reads as follows:

"Letter Number One"

I have the honour to confirm that my Government is in agreement with the contents of your letter.

Please accept, Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration.

For the Government of
the Republic of Argentina

EXCHANGE OF NOTES

The Directorate General for External Relations of the Commission of the European Communities presents its compliments to the Mission of the Republic of Argentina with the European Communities and has the honour to refer to the Agreement in textile products negotiated between the Republic of Argentina and the Community, initialled on 30 September 1986 and applied since 1 January 1987, as extended by the exchange of letters initialled on 24 September 1991.

The Directorate General wishes to inform the Mission that whilst awaiting the completion of the necessary procedures for the conclusion and the coming into force of the extended Agreement, the Community is prepared to allow the provisions of the Agreement to apply de facto from 1 January 1992. This is on the understanding that either party may at any time terminate this de facto application of the extended Agreement provided that 60 days' notice is given.

The Directorate General for External Relations would be grateful if the Mission would confirm its agreement to the foregoing.

The Directorate General for External Relations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Mission of the Republic of Argentina to the European Communities the assurance of its highest consideration.

EXCHANGE OF NOTES

The Mission of the Republic of Argentina to the European Communities presents its compliments to the Mission of the Directorate General for External Relations of the Commission of the European Communities and has the honour to refer to the Directorate General's Note of ... regarding the Agreement in textile products negotiated between the Republic of Argentina and the Community, initialled on 30 September 1986 and applied since 1 January 1987, as extended by the exchange of letters initialled on 24 September 1991.

The Mission wishes to confirm to the Directorate General that whilst awaiting the completion of the necessary procedures for the conclusion and the coming into force of the extended Agreement, the Government of the Republic of Argentina is prepared to allow the provisions of the extended Agreement to apply de facto from 1 January 1992. This is on the understanding that either party may at any time terminate this de facto application of the extended Agreement provided that 60 days' notice is given.

The Mission of the Republic of Argentina to the European Communities avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Directorate General for External Relations the assurance of his highest consideration.

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AGREED MINUTE

In the context of the Agreement on trade in textile products between the European Economic Community and the Republic of Argentina, initialled on 30 September 1986 and applied since 1 January 1987, the parties agreed that, with reference to Article 14, paragraph 3, of the extended Agreement, the percentage for 1992 will be at least equal to that in 1991 and not less than the percentage that will be determined for other comparable suppliers.

Delegation of the
Republic of Argentina

Delegation of the
European Economic Community