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Proposal for a

**COUNCIL DECISION**

**on the signing, on behalf of the European Community, of the Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters amending the Agreement between the European Community and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam on trade in textile and clothing products and other market opening measures, and authorising its provisional application**

(presented by the Commission)

## **EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM**

On 10 December 2002 the Council approved directives authorising the Commission to open negotiations with the Socialist Republic of Vietnam on the amendment of the bilateral Agreement on trade in textile and clothing products initialled on 15 December 1992, as last amended on 31 March 2000.

On 15 February 2003 representatives of the Commission and of the Vietnamese government initialled the enclosed Agreement between the European Community and the Government of Vietnam in the form of an Exchange of Letters.

The Agreement, which has a duration of three years until 2005, provides for the following:

- The EU will increase its textile and clothing quotas it applies to Vietnam by 50 % for the most sensitive categories (categories 4 to 8, 78 and 83); by 60 % for categories 18, 20, 26, 28, 35, 41, 68, 73, 76, 10, 97 and 161; by 70 % for categories 15 and 29; and by 75 % for category 31. For 2004 and 2005, the growth rates have been raised slightly to 6 % for all categories (as compared with 3 % for most of the quotas under the current agreement).
- Vietnam commits to reduce its customs duties for EU imports of textile and clothing products, progressively, to 20% for clothing, 12% for fabrics, 7% for yarns and 5 % for fibres in 2005.
- Vietnam and the EU commit not to apply any non-tariff barriers in the textile and clothing sector, and for wines and spirits and ceramic tiles.
- A higher degree of transparency in the management of the so-called industry reserve will be assured.
- Vietnam will introduce a number of liberalisation measures in other sectors:
  - From 1.1.2004 it will allow EU operators to undertake through joint ventures a list of sea cargo transport agency activities currently not permitted to non-Vietnamese firms.
  - It will without delay issue an additional insurance brokerage licence to an EU firm.
  - It will introduce from 1.1.2004 a tariff quota for the import of motorbikes and scooters of EU origin.
  - It will reduce import tariffs on wines and spirits of EU origin to 80 % on 1.1.2004 and 70 % on 1.1.2005.
  - It will take concrete and immediate steps to fulfil its commitments undertaken earlier regarding: the elimination of minimum import prices for wines and spirits and ceramic tiles; the elimination of additional duties for ceramic tiles imports; an expansion of the list of pharmaceutical products allowed for imports; and a non-discrimination provision for EU businesses and enterprises.

The Agreement contains precise implementation provisions that subject the increase of EU textile quotas to prior fulfilment by Vietnam of its obligations under the Agreement, and for the withdrawal of concessions in case Vietnam does not comply with its obligations.

Although the Agreement contains obligations for both the EU and Vietnam, it is intended to be economically more favourable to Vietnam than it is to EU in recognition of Vietnam's developing country status. In elaborating its quota increase concessions, the Commission has also taken into consideration the faltering consumption in the textile and clothing sector in the EU.

Consequently, it is proposed that the Council authorises the formal conclusion of this Agreement. Pending the completion of the relevant procedures, the Commission proposes to the Council to decide to apply provisionally this Agreement as from 15 April 2003, subject to reciprocity.

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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community, and in particular Article 133 thereof, in conjunction with the first subparagraph of Article 300 (2) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the Commission<sup>1</sup>,

Whereas:

- (1) The Commission has negotiated on behalf of the Community a bilateral Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters on trade in textile products with Vietnam;
- (2) The Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters was initialled on 15 February 2003;
- (3) The Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters should be signed on behalf of the Community;
- (4) In order to allow its benefits to accrue to both Parties immediately following the relevant notifications, it is appropriate to apply this Agreement on a provisional basis as from 15 April 2003 pending completion of the relevant procedures for its formal conclusion, subject to reciprocity.

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

*Article 1*

Subject to its possible conclusion at a later date the President of the Council is hereby authorised to designate the person empowered to sign, on behalf of the European Community, the Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters on trade in textile products with Vietnam.

The text of the Agreement is annexed to this Decision.

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## *Article 2*

Subject to reciprocity, the Agreement shall be applied on a provisional basis from 15 April 2003 pending the completion of the procedures for its formal conclusion.

## *Article 3*

1. The increases of quotas to the levels indicated in annex 2 of the Agreement will be carried out each year upon implementation by Vietnam of its commitments under paragraphs 3,4,8 and 10.
2. In case Vietnam fails to fulfil its obligations under paragraphs 3,4,8,9 and 10 of the Agreement in 2003, the quotas for 2003 will be reduced to the levels indicated in annex 2, column 3. Should any failure to fulfil its obligations take place in years 2004 or 2005, these levels will be increased by a growth rate of 3% per annum. In such cases, any quantities already shipped in excess of the re-established quota levels will be deducted from the quotas of the following years.
3. The decision to implement paragraph 2 shall be taken in accordance with the procedures referred to in Article 17 of Council Regulation (EEC) No 3030/93 on common rules for imports of certain textile products from third countries<sup>2</sup>

Done at Brussels,

*For the Council*  
*The President*

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<sup>2</sup> OJ No L 275, 8.11.1993, as last amended by Council regulation (EC) 138/2003 (OJ N° L 23, 28.01.2003, p.1)

**ANNEX**

**AGREEMENT**

**IN THE FORM OF AN EXCHANGE OF LETTERS ON TRADE IN TEXTILE AND  
CLOTHING PRODUCTS AND OTHER MARKET OPENING MEASURES  
AMENDING THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY AND  
THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM, AS LAST AMENDED BY THE  
AGREEMENT IN THE FORM OF AN EXCHANGE OF LETTERS INITIALLED ON  
31 MARCH 2000**

## **1. LETTER FROM THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION**

Sir,

1. I have the honour to refer to the negotiations held from 12 to 15 February 2003 between our respective delegations with a view to amending the Agreement between the European Community and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam on trade in textile and clothing products initialled on 15 December 1992 and applied from 1 January 1993, as last amended by the Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters initialled on 31 March 2000 (hereinafter referred to as “the Agreement”).

2. As a result of those negotiations, it was agreed to amend the Agreement as follows:

2.1. Article 3 of the Agreement shall be replaced by the following:

‘Article 3

1. The European Community agrees to raise its quantitative limits of products listed in Annex 2 to the amounts set out therein for each Agreement year. This increase will be carried out each year upon implementation by Vietnam of its commitments under paragraphs 3,4,8 and 10. The quantitative limits for 2003 will be raised to the levels indicated in column 4. For the years 2004 and 2005 the quantitative limits as indicated in columns 5 and 6 will apply.

In the allocation of quantities for export to the Community, Vietnam undertakes to ensure that companies fully or partially owned by Community investors and Vietnamese companies are treated equally.

2. Exports of textile products set out in Annex 2 shall be subject to a double-checking system as specified in Protocol A.

3. In administering the quantitative limits referred to in paragraph 1, Vietnam shall ensure that the Community textile industry benefits from utilisation of such limits.

In particular, Vietnam undertakes to reserve, as a priority, 30% of the quantitative limits for firms in that industry for a period of four months beginning on 1 January of each year. For this purpose, contracts made with such firms during the period in question and submitted to the Vietnamese authorities during the same period shall be taken into consideration.

4. To facilitate the implementation of these provisions, the Community shall provide the competent Vietnamese authorities, before 31 October of each year, with a list of interested manufacturers and processors and of the quantity of products requested for each firm. To this end, the firms concerned must make direct contact with the relevant Vietnamese bodies during the period specified in paragraph 3, in order to verify what quantities are available under the reserve referred to in paragraph 3.

In case the amount granted under the industry reserve does not reach 30 % of the quantitative limits, the unused amount of the industry reserve can be reverted to the yearly overall quota levels from 1 May each year.

5. Subject to the provisions of this Agreement, and without prejudice to the quantitative system applicable to products subject to the operations referred to in Article 4, the Community undertakes to suspend the application of quantitative restrictions currently in force in respect of products covered by this Agreement.
6. Exports of products referred to in Annex IV to the Agreement which are not subject to quantitative limits shall be subject to the double-checking system referred to in paragraph 2.
7. Should Vietnam become a Member of the World Trade Organisation before 1/1/2005, the Agreement and its Annexes, as well as this Exchange of Letters and its Appendices, will be applied in accordance with the Agreements and rules of the World Trade Organization and Vietnam's Protocol of Accession to the WTO. Any quotas maintained prior to the date of accession of Vietnam to the World Trade Organization will be notified to the Textiles Monitoring Body set up by the Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (ATC) in accordance with Article 2 of that Agreement, together with appropriate administrative arrangements, to be agreed prior to Vietnam's WTO accession, and phased out in accordance with the ATC and Vietnam's protocol of accession. Should Vietnam become member of the World Trade Organisation after 1/1/2005 but before the expiry date of this Agreement, the Agreements and rules of WTO shall be applied from the date of Vietnam's accession to the WTO.
8. Vietnam shall not apply tariffs on the import of textiles and clothing products of EU origin at rates higher than those indicated in Annex 3.
9. The Parties agree to refrain from applying any non-tariff measures inconsistent with WTO rules that could hinder trade in textile and clothing as indicated in a non-exhaustive list of these measures in Annex 4.
10. In addition to its commitments under paragraphs 3,4,8 and 9 above, Vietnam undertakes to take the measures indicated in Annex 5.
11. Under the terms to be agreed between Vietnam and Turkey and on the basis of an increase by Turkey of the quotas it applies vis-à-vis Vietnam, Vietnam agrees to extend the treatment provided to textile and clothing products originating in the European Communities to textile and clothing products originating from Turkey.
12. The Parties agree that the European Community retains, for a maximum period not extending beyond the duration of the ATC insofar as Vietnam has become Member of the WTO, the right to reapply the quota regime at the levels indicated in annex 2, column 3 in the event that Vietnam fails to fulfil any of the obligations contained in paragraphs 3,4,8,9 and 10 of this Agreement. Should any failure to fulfil its obligations take place in years 2004 or 2005, these levels will be increased by a growth rate of 3% per annum. The Parties agree that Vietnam retains the right to suspend the application of its commitments under paragraphs 3,4,8,9 and 10 should the European Community fail to fulfil any of the obligations contained in paragraphs 1 and 9 of this agreement. The Parties agree to consult with each other pursuant to paragraph 13 before exercising this right.
13. The Parties agree that the balance of the present agreement, forming a package of mutual concessions freely extended between the Parties, depends on the full and faithful implementation of all the terms of this Agreement. As a result the Parties agreed to consult periodically in order to ensure the proper implementation of this Agreement. In



addition, the Parties agree to consult following the request of either Party concerning any aspect of this Agreement.

In the event that either party seeks to exercise the right contained in paragraph 12 it will provide the other party with details of any alleged failure in writing. Consultations with a view to remedying the failure in question will be held within 30 days of such a written request unless the Parties agree otherwise. In the event the Parties cannot agree on appropriate remedial action within 30 days from the start of the consultations either party will have the right to proceed under paragraph 12.'

2.2 Article 19(1) and 19(2) of the Agreement shall be replaced by the following:

1. This Agreement shall enter into force on the first day of the month following the date on which the Parties notify each other of the completion of the procedures necessary for that purpose. It shall be applicable until 31 December 2005.
2. Both Parties are ready to engage in further negotiations as of 1 January 2004 with a view to improving access to their respective markets.

2.3 Annex A of the Agreement is replaced by Annex 1 to this letter.

2.4 Annex B of the Agreement is replaced by Annex 2 to this letter.

2.5 To the Protocol concerning the industry reserve in annex D of the Agreement, the following is added:

The Vietnamese authorities shall provide the European Community with the list of the European companies benefiting from the Industry reserve and the quantities and categories for which licenses have been granted.

2.6 In the Protocol of Understanding annexed to the Agreement, articles 4 and 5 and its 3 annexes are repealed.

3. I should be obliged if you would confirm the agreement of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam to the above amendments. Should this be the case, this letter and its accompanying Annexes, together with your written confirmation shall constitute an Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters between the European Community and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam. This Agreement shall enter into force on the first day of the month following the date on which the European Community and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam notify each other of the completion of the procedures necessary for that purpose. In the meantime, the amendments to the Agreement shall be applied provisionally from 15 April 2003, subject to reciprocity.

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

For the Council of the European Union

## **Annex 1**

### **TEXTILE PRODUCTS REFERRED TO IN ARTICLE 1**

1. Without prejudice to the rules for the interpretation of the combined nomenclature, the wording of the description of goods is considered to be of indicative value only, since the products covered by each category are determined, within this Annex, by CN codes. Where there is an “ex” symbol in front of a CN code, the products covered in each category are determined by the scope of the CN code and by that of the corresponding description
2. When the constitutive material of the products of categories 1 to 114 is not specifically mentioned, these products are to be taken to be made exclusively of wool or of fine animal hair, of cotton or of man-made fibres.
3. Garments which are not recognizable as being garments for men or boys or as being garments for women or girls are classified with the latter.
4. Where the expression “babies' garments” is used, this is meant to cover garments up to and including commercial size 86.

Category	Description  CN-Code 2002	Table of equivalence	
		pieces/kg	g/piece
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)

#### **GROUP I A**

1	Cotton yarn, not put up for retail sale								
	5204 11 00	5204 19 00	5205 11 00	5205 12 00					
	5205 13 00	5205 14 00	5205 15 10	5205 15 90					
	5205 21 00	5205 22 00	5205 23 00	5205 24 00					
	5205 26 00	5205 27 00	5205 28 00	5205 31 00					
	5205 32 00	5205 33 00	5205 34 00	5205 35 00					
	5205 41 00	5205 42 00	5205 43 00	5205 44 00					
	5205 46 00	5205 47 00	5205 48 00	5206 11 00					
	5206 12 00	5206 13 00	5206 14 00	5206 15 10					
	5206 15 90	5206 21 00	5206 22 00	5206 23 00					
	5206 24 00	5206 25 10	5206 25 90	5206 31 00					
	5206 32 00	5206 33 00	5206 34 00	5206 35 00					
	5206 41 00	5206 42 00	5206 43 00	5206 44 00					
	5206 45 00	ex 5604 90 00							
	2	Woven fabrics of cotton, other than gauze, terry fabrics, pile fabrics, chenille fabrics, tulle and other net fabrics							

	5208 11 10	5208 11 90	5208 12 16	5208 12 19
	5208 12 96	5208 12 99	5208 13 00	5208 19 00
	5208 21 10	5208 21 90	5208 22 16	5208 22 19
	5208 22 96	5208 22 99	5208 23 00	5208 29 00
	5208 31 00	5208 32 16	5208 32 19	5208 32 96
	5208 32 99	5208 33 00	5208 39 00	5208 41 00
	5208 42 00	5208 43 00	5208 49 00	5208 51 00
	5208 52 10	5208 52 90	5208 53 00	5208 59 00
	5209 11 00	5209 12 00	5209 19 00	5209 21 00
	5209 22 00	5209 29 00	5209 31 00	5209 32 00
	5209 39 00	5209 41 00	5209 42 00	5209 43 00
	5209 49 10	5209 49 90	5209 51 00	5209 52 00
	5209 59 00	5210 11 10	5210 11 90	5210 12 00
	5210 19 00	5210 21 10	5210 21 90	5210 22 00
	5210 29 00	5210 31 10	5210 31 90	5210 32 00
	5210 39 00	5210 41 00	5210 42 00	5210 49 00
	5210 51 00	5210 52 00	5210 59 00	5211 11 00
	5211 12 00	5211 19 00	5211 21 00	5211 22 00
	5211 29 00	5211 31 00	5211 32 00	5211 39 00
	5211 41 00	5211 42 00	5211 43 00	5211 49 10
	5211 49 90	5211 51 00	5211 52 00	5211 59 00
	5212 11 10	5212 11 90	5212 12 10	5212 12 90
	5212 13 10	5212 13 90	5212 14 10	5212 14 90
	5212 15 10	5212 15 90	5212 21 10	5212 21 90
	5212 22 10	5212 22 90	5212 23 10	5212 23 90
	5212 24 10	5212 24 90	5212 25 10	5212 25 90
	ex 5811 00 00	ex 6308 00 00		
2 a)	Of which: Other than unbleached or bleached			
	5208 31 00	5208 32 16	5208 32 19	5208 32 96
	5208 32 99	5208 33 00	5208 39 00	5208 41 00
	5208 42 00	5208 43 00	5208 49 00	5208 51 00
	5208 52 10	5208 52 90	5208 53 00	5208 59 00
	5209 31 00	5209 32 00	5209 39 00	5209 41 00
	5209 42 00	5209 43 00	5209 49 10	5209 49 90
	5209 51 00	5209 52 00	5209 59 00	5210 31 10
	5210 31 90	5210 32 00	5210 39 00	5210 41 00
	5210 42 00	5210 49 00	5210 51 00	5210 52 00
	5210 59 00	5211 31 00	5211 32 00	5211 39 00
	5211 41 00	5211 42 00	5211 43 00	5211 49 10
	5211 49 90	5211 51 00	5211 52 00	5211 59 00
	5212 13 10	5212 13 90	5212 14 10	5212 14 90
	5212 15 10	5212 15 90	5212 23 10	5212 23 90
	5212 24 10	5212 24 90	5212 25 10	5212 25 90
	ex 5811 00 00	ex 6308 00 00		
3	Woven fabrics of synthetic fibres (discontinuous or waste) other than narrow woven fabrics, pile fabrics ( incl. terry fabrics) and chenille fabrics			
	5512 11 00	5512 19 10	5512 19 90	5512 21 00
	5512 29 10	5512 29 90	5512 91 00	5512 99 10
	5512 99 90	5513 11 20	5513 11 90	5513 12 00
	5513 13 00	5513 19 00	5513 21 10	5513 21 30
	5513 21 90	5513 22 00	5513 23 00	5513 29 00
	5513 31 00	5513 32 00	5513 33 00	5513 39 00
	5513 41 00	5513 42 00	5513 43 00	5513 49 00
	5514 11 00	5514 12 00	5514 13 00	5514 19 00
	5514 21 00	5514 22 00	5514 23 00	5514 29 00
	5514 31 00	5514 32 00	5514 33 00	5514 39 00
	5514 41 00	5514 42 00	5514 43 00	5514 49 00
	5515 11 10	5515 11 30	5515 11 90	5515 12 10
	5515 12 30	5515 12 90	5515 13 11	5515 13 19
	5515 13 91	5515 13 99	5515 19 10	5515 19 30
	5515 19 90	5515 21 10	5515 21 30	5515 21 90
	5515 22 11	5515 22 19	5515 22 91	5515 22 99
	5515 29 10	5515 29 30	5515 29 90	5515 91 10
	5515 91 30	5515 91 90	5515 92 11	5515 92 19
	5515 92 91	5515 92 99	5515 99 10	5515 99 30
	5515 99 90	5803 90 30	ex 5905 00 70	ex 6308 00 00
3 a)	Of which: Other than unbleached or bleached			

5512 19 10	5512 19 90	5512 29 10	5512 29 90
5512 99 10	5512 99 90	5513 21 10	5513 21 30
5513 21 90	5513 22 00	5513 23 00	5513 29 00
5513 31 00	5513 32 00	5513 33 00	5513 39 00
5513 41 00	5513 42 00	5513 43 00	5513 49 00
5514 21 00	5514 22 00	5514 23 00	5514 29 00
5514 31 00	5514 32 00	5514 33 00	5514 39 00
5514 41 00	5514 42 00	5514 43 00	5514 49 00
5515 11 30	5515 11 90	5515 12 30	5515 12 90
5515 13 19	5515 13 99	5515 19 30	5515 19 90
5515 21 30	5515 21 90	5515 22 19	5515 22 99
5515 29 30	5515 29 90	5515 91 30	5515 91 90
5515 92 19	5515 92 99	5515 99 30	5515 99 90
ex 5803 90 30	ex 5905 00 70	ex 6308 00 00	

#### GROUP I B

4	Shirts, T-shirts, lightweight fine knit roll, polo or turtle necked jumpers and pullovers (other than of wool or fine animal hair), undervests and the like, knitted or crocheted	6.48	154
	6105 10 00    6105 20 10    6105 20 90    6105 90 10 6109 10 00    6109 90 10    6109 90 30    6110 20 10 6110 30 10		
5	Jerseys, pullovers, slip-overs, waistcoats, twinsets, cardigans, bed-jackets and jumpers (others than jackets and blazers), anoraks, wind-cheaters, waister jackets and the like, knitted or crocheted	4.53	221
	6101 10 90    6101 20 90    6101 30 90    6102 10 90 6102 20 90    6102 30 90    6110 11 10    6110 11 30 6110 11 90    6110 12 10    6110 12 90    6110 19 10 6110 19 90    6110 20 91    6110 20 99    6110 30 91 6110 30 99		
6	Men's or boys' woven breeches, shorts other than swimwear and trousers (incl. slacks); women's or girls' woven trousers and slacks, of wool, of cotton or of man made fibres; lower parts of track suits with lining, others than category 16 or 29, of cotton or of man-made fibres	1.76	568
	6203 41 10    6203 41 90    6203 42 31    6203 42 33 6203 42 35    6203 42 90    6203 43 19    6203 43 90 6203 49 19    6203 49 50    6204 61 10    6204 62 31 6204 62 33    6204 62 39    6204 63 18    6204 69 18 6211 32 42    6211 33 42    6211 42 42    6211 43 42		
7	Women's or girls' blouses, shirts and shirt-blouses, whether or not knitted or crocheted, of wool, of cotton or man-made fibres	5.55	180
	6106 10 00    6106 20 00    6106 90 10    6206 20 00 6206 30 00    6206 40 00		
8	Men's or boys' shirts, other than knitted or crocheted, of wool, cotton or man-made fibres	4,60	217
	6205 10 00    6205 20 00    6205 30 00		

#### GROUP II A

9	Terry towelling and similar woven terry fabrics of cotton; toilet linen and kitchen linen, other than knitted or crocheted, of terry towelling and woven terry fabrics, of cotton		
	5802 11 00    5802 19 00    ex 6302 60 00		
20	Bed linen, other than knitted or crocheted		

	6302 21 00 6302 31 90	6302 22 90 6302 32 90	6302 29 90 6302 39 90	6302 31 10		
22	Yarn of staple or waste synthetic fibres, not put up for retail sale					
	5508 10 11 5509 21 10 5509 31 10 5509 41 10 5509 51 00 5509 59 00 5509 69 00 5509 99 00	5508 10 19 5509 21 90 5509 31 90 5509 41 90 5509 52 10 5509 61 10 5509 91 10	5509 11 00 5509 22 10 5509 32 10 5509 42 10 5509 52 90 5509 61 90 5509 91 90	5509 12 00 5509 22 90 5509 32 90 5509 42 90 5509 53 00 5509 62 00 5509 92 00		
22 a)	Of which acrylic					
	Ex 5508 10 19 5509 32 90 5509 69 00	5509 31 10 5509 61 10	5509 31 90 5509 61 90	5509 32 10 5509 62 00		
23	Yarn of staple or waste artificial fibres, not put up for retail sale					
	5508 20 10 5510 30 00	5510 11 00 5510 90 00	5510 12 00	5510 20 00		
32	Woven pile fabrics and chenille fabrics (other than terry towelling or terry fabrics of cotton and narrow woven fabrics) and tufted textile surfaces, of wool, of cotton or of man-made textile fibres					
	5801 10 00 5801 24 00 5801 32 00 5801 36 00	5801 21 00 5801 25 00 5801 33 00 5802 20 00	5801 22 00 5801 26 00 5801 34 00 5802 30 00	5801 23 00 5801 31 00 5801 35 00		
32 a)	Of which: Cotton corduroy					
	5801 22 00					
39	Table linen, toilet linen and kitchen linen, other than knitted or crocheted, other than of terry towelling or a similar terry fabrics of cotton					
	6302 51 10 6302 91 10	6302 51 90 6302 91 90	6302 53 90 6302 93 90	ex 6302 59 00 ex 6302 99 00		

#### GROUP II B

12	Panty-hose and tights, stockings, understockings, socks, ankle-socks, sockettes and the like, knitted or crocheted, other than for babies, including stockings for varicose veins, other than products of category 70	24.3 pairs	41
	6115 12 00 6115 91 00 6115 93 99	6115 19 00 6115 92 00 6115 99 00	6115 20 11 6115 93 10 6115 20 90 6115 93 30
13	Men's or boys' underpants and briefs, women's or girls' knickers and briefs, knitted or crocheted, of wool, of cotton or of man-made fibres	17	59
	6107 11 00 6108 22 00	6107 12 00 6108 29 00	6107 19 00 ex 6212 10 10 6108 21 00
14	Men's or boys' woven overcoats, raincoats and other coats, cloaks and capes, of wool, of cotton or of man-made textile fibres (other than parkas) (of category 21)	0.72	1 389
	6201 11 00 ex 6201 13 90	ex 6201 12 10 6210 20 00	ex 6201 12 90 ex 6201 13 10

15	Women's or girls' woven overcoats, raincoats and other coats, cloaks and capes; jackets and blazers, of wool, of cotton or of man-made textile fibres (other than parkas) (of category 21)	0.84	1 190
	<div> <div>6202 11 00</div> <div>ex 6202 13 90</div> <div>6204 39 19</div> </div> <div> <div>ex 6202 12 10</div> <div>6204 31 00</div> <div>6210 30 00</div> </div> <div> <div>ex 6202 12 90</div> <div>6204 32 90</div> </div> <div> <div>ex 6202 13 10</div> <div>6204 33 90</div> </div>		
16	Men's or boys' suits and ensembles, other than knitted or crocheted, of wool, of cotton or of man-made fibres, excluding ski suits; men's or boys' track suits with lining, with an outer shell of a single identical fabric, of cotton or of man-made fibres	0.80	1 250
	<div> <div>6203 11 00</div> <div>6203 21 00</div> <div>6211 32 31</div> </div> <div> <div>6203 12 00</div> <div>6203 22 80</div> <div>6211 33 31</div> </div> <div> <div>6203 19 10</div> <div>6203 23 80</div> </div> <div> <div>6203 19 30</div> <div>6203 29 18</div> </div>		
17	Men's or boys' jackets or blazers, other than knitted or crocheted, of wool, of cotton or of man-made fibres	1.43	700
	<div> <div>6203 31 00</div> </div> <div> <div>6203 32 90</div> </div> <div> <div>6203 33 90</div> </div> <div> <div>6203 39 19</div> </div>		
18	Men's or boys' singlets and other vests, underpants, briefs, nightshirts, pyjamas, bathrobes, dressing gowns and similar articles, other than knitted or crocheted		
	<div> <div>6207 11 00</div> <div>6207 29 00</div> <div>6207 99 00</div> </div> <div> <div>6207 19 00</div> <div>6207 91 10</div> </div> <div> <div>6207 21 00</div> <div>6207 91 90</div> </div> <div> <div>6207 22 00</div> <div>6207 92 00</div> </div>		
	Women's or girls' singlets and other vests, slips, petticoats, briefs, panties, night-dresses, pyjamas, negligees, bathrobes, dressing gowns and similar articles, other than knitted or crocheted		
	<div> <div>6208 11 00</div> <div>6208 22 00</div> <div>6208 91 90</div> </div> <div> <div>6208 19 10</div> <div>6208 29 00</div> <div>6208 92 00</div> </div> <div> <div>6208 19 90</div> <div>6208 91 11</div> <div>6208 99 00</div> </div> <div> <div>6208 21 00</div> <div>6208 91 19</div> <div>ex 6212 10 10</div> </div>		
19	Handkerchiefs, other than knitted or crocheted	59	17
	<div> <div>6213 20 00</div> </div> <div> <div>6213 90 00</div> </div>		
21	Parkas; anoraks, windcheaters, waister jackets and the like, other than knitted or crocheted, of wool, of cotton or of man-made fibres; upper parts of tracksuits with lining, other than category 16 or 29, of cotton or of man-made fibres	2.3	435
	<div> <div>Ex 6201 12 10</div> <div>6201 91 00</div> <div>ex 6202 12 90</div> <div>6202 92 00</div> <div>6211 42 41</div> </div> <div> <div>ex 6201 12 90</div> <div>6201 92 00</div> <div>ex 6202 13 10</div> <div>6202 93 00</div> <div>6211 43 41</div> </div> <div> <div>ex 6201 13 10</div> <div>6201 93 00</div> <div>ex 6202 13 90</div> <div>6211 32 41</div> </div> <div> <div>ex 6201 13 90</div> <div>ex 6202 12 10</div> <div>6202 91 00</div> <div>6211 33 41</div> </div>		
24	Men's or boys' nightshirts, pyjamas, bathrobes, dressing gowns and similar articles, knitted or crocheted	3.9	257
	<div> <div>6107 21 00</div> <div>6107 91 90</div> </div> <div> <div>6107 22 00</div> <div>6107 92 00</div> </div> <div> <div>6107 29 00</div> <div>ex 6107 99 00</div> </div> <div> <div>6107 91 10</div> </div>		
	Women's or girls' night-dresses, pyjamas, negligees, bathrobes, dressing gowns and similar articles, knitted or crocheted		
	<div> <div>6108 31 10</div> <div>6108 32 90</div> <div>6108 92 00</div> </div> <div> <div>6108 31 90</div> <div>6108 39 00</div> <div>6108 99 10</div> </div> <div> <div>6108 32 11</div> <div>6108 91 10</div> </div> <div> <div>6108 32 19</div> <div>6108 91 90</div> </div>		
26	Women's or girls' dresses, of wool, of cotton or of man-made fibres	3.1	323

	6104 41 00      6104 42 00      6104 43 00      6104 44 00 6204 41 00      6204 42 00      6204 43 00      6204 44 00		
27	Women's or girls' skirts, including divided skirts  6104 51 00      6104 52 00      6104 53 00      6104 59 00 6204 51 00      6204 52 00      6204 53 00      6204 59 10	2.6	385
28	Trousers, bib and brace overalls, breeches and shorts (other than swimwear), knitted or crocheted, of wool, of cotton or of man-made fibres  6103 41 10      6103 41 90      6103 42 10      6103 42 90 6103 43 10      6103 43 90      6103 49 10      6103 49 91 6104 61 10      6104 61 90      6104 62 10      6104 62 90 6104 63 10      6104 63 90      6104 69 10      6104 69 91	1.61	620
29	Women's or girls' suits and ensembles, other than knitted or crocheted, of wool, of cotton or of man-made fibres, excluding ski suits; women's or girls' track suits with lining, with an outer shell of an identical fabric, of cotton or of man-made fibres  6204 11 00      6204 12 00      6204 13 00      6204 19 10 6204 21 00      6204 22 80      6204 23 80      6204 29 18 6211 42 31      6211 43 31	1.37	730
31	Brassières, woven, knitted or crocheted  Ex 6212 10 10      6212 10 90	18.2	55
68	Babies' garments and clothing accessories, excluding babies' gloves, mittens and mitts of categories 10 and 87, and babies' stockings, socks and sockettes, other than knitted or crocheted, of category 88  6111 10 90      6111 20 90      6111 30 90      ex 6111 90 00 ex 6209 10 00      ex 6209 20 00      ex 6209 30 00      ex 6209 90 00		
73	Track suits of knitted or crocheted fabric, of wool, of cotton or of man-made textile fibres  6112 11 00      6112 12 00      6112 19 00	1.67	600
76	Men's or boys' industrial or occupational clothing, other than knitted or crocheted  6203 22 10      6203 23 10      6203 29 11      6203 32 10 6203 33 10      6203 39 11      6203 42 11      6203 42 51 6203 43 11      6203 43 31      6203 49 11      6203 49 31 6211 32 10      6211 33 10  Women's or girls' aprons, smock overalls and other industrial or occupational clothing, other than knitted or crocheted  6204 22 10      6204 23 10      6204 29 11      6204 32 10 6204 33 10      6204 39 11      6204 62 11      6204 62 51 6204 63 11      6204 63 31      6204 69 11      6204 69 31 6211 42 10      6211 43 10		
77	Ski suits, other than knitted or crocheted  ex 6211 20 00		
78	Garments, other than knitted or crocheted, excluding garments of categories 6, 7, 8, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 21, 26, 27, 29, 68, 72, 76 and 77		

	6203 41 30	6203 42 59	6203 43 39	6203 49 39		
	6204 61 80	6204 61 90	6204 62 59	6204 62 90		
	6204 63 39	6204 63 90	6204 69 39	6204 69 50		
	6210 40 00	6210 50 00	6211 31 00	6211 32 90		
	6211 33 90	6211 41 00	6211 42 90	6211 43 90		
83	Overcoats, jackets, blazers and other garments, including ski suits, knitted or crocheted, excluding garments of categories 4, 5, 7, 13, 24, 26, 27, 28, 68, 69, 72, 73, 74, 75					
	6101 10 10	6101 20 10	6101 30 10	6102 10 10		
	6102 20 10	6102 30 10	6103 31 00	6103 32 00		
	6103 33 00	ex 6103 39 00	6104 31 00	6104 32 00		
	6104 33 00	ex 6104 39 00	6112 20 00	6113 00 90		
	6114 10 00	6114 20 00	6114 30 00			

### GROUP III A

33	Woven fabrics of synthetic filament yarn obtained from strip or the like of polyethylene or polypropylene, less than 3 m wide		
	5407 20 11		
	Sacks and bags, of a kind used for the packing of goods, not knitted or crocheted, obtained from strip or the like		
	6305 32 81	6305 32 89	6305 33 91 6305 33 99
34	Woven fabrics of synthetic filament yarn obtained from strip or the like of polyethylene or polypropylene, 3 m or more wide		
	5407 20 19		
35	Woven fabrics of synthetic fibres (continuous), other than those for tyres of category 114		
	5407 10 00	5407 20 90	5407 30 00 5407 41 00
	5407 42 00	5407 43 00	5407 44 00 5407 51 00
	5407 52 00	5407 53 00	5407 54 00 5407 61 10
	5407 61 30	5407 61 50	5407 61 90 5407 69 10
	5407 69 90	5407 71 00	5407 72 00 5407 73 00
	5407 74 00	5407 81 00	5407 82 00 5407 83 00
	5407 84 00	5407 91 00	5407 92 00 5407 93 00
	5407 94 00	ex 5811 00 00	ex 5905 00 70
35 a)	Of which:Other than unbleached or bleached		
	ex 5407 10 00	ex 5407 20 90	ex 5407 30 00 5407 42 00
	5407 43 00	5407 44 00	5407 52 00 5407 53 00
	5407 54 00	5407 61 30	5407 61 50 5407 61 90
	5407 69 90	5407 72 00	5407 73 00 5407 74 00
	5407 82 00	5407 83 00	5407 84 00 5407 92 00
	5407 93 00	5407 94 00	ex 5811 00 00 ex 5905 00 70
36	Woven fabrics of continuous artificial fibres , other than those for tyres of category 114		
	5408 10 00	5408 21 00	5408 22 10 5408 22 90
	5408 23 10	5408 23 90	5408 24 00 5408 31 00
	5408 32 00	5408 33 00	5408 34 00 ex 5811 00 00
	ex 5905 00 70		
36 a)	Of which:Other than unbleached or bleached		
	ex 5408 10 00	5408 22 10	5408 22 90 5408 23 10
	5408 23 90	5408 24 00	5408 32 00 5408 33 00
	5408 34 00	ex 5811 00 00	ex 5905 00 70



37	Woven fabrics of artificial staple fibres		
	5516 11 00      5516 12 00      5516 13 00      5516 14 00 5516 21 00      5516 22 00      5516 23 10      5516 23 90 5516 24 00      5516 31 00      5516 32 00      5516 33 00 5516 34 00      5516 41 00      5516 42 00      5516 43 00 5516 44 00      5516 91 00      5516 92 00      5516 93 00 5516 94 00      5803 90 50      ex 5905 00 70		
	37 a) Of which: Other than unbleached or bleached		
	5516 12 00      5516 13 00      5516 14 00      5516 22 00 5516 23 10      5516 23 90      5516 24 00      5516 32 00 5516 33 00      5516 34 00      5516 42 00      5516 43 00 5516 44 00      5516 92 00      5516 93 00      5516 94 00 ex 5803 90 50      ex 5905 00 70		
38 A	Knitted or crocheted synthetic curtain fabric including net curtain fabric		
	6005 31 10      6005 32 10      6005 33 10      6005 34 10 6006 31 10      6006 32 10      6006 33 10      6006 34 10		
38 B	Net curtains, other than knitted or crocheted		
	ex 6303 91 00      ex 6303 92 90      ex 6303 99 90		
40	Woven curtains ( including drapes, interior blinds, curtain and bed valances and other furnishing articles), other than knitted or crocheted, of wool, of cotton or of man-made fibres		
	ex 6303 91 00      ex 6303 92 90      ex 6303 99 90      6304 19 10 ex 6304 19 90      6304 92 00      ex 6304 93 00      ex 6304 99 00		
41	Yarn of synthetic filament (continuous), not put up for retail sale, other than non textured single yarn untwisted or with a twist of not more than 50 turns/m		
	5401 10 11      5401 10 19      5402 10 10      5402 10 90 5402 20 00      5402 31 00      5402 32 00      5402 33 00 5402 39 10      5402 39 90      5402 49 10      5402 49 91 5402 49 99      5402 51 00      5402 52 00      5402 59 10 5402 59 90      5402 61 00      5402 62 00      5402 69 10 5402 69 90      ex 5604 20 00      ex 5604 90 00		
42	Yarn of continuous man-made fibres, not put up for retail sale		
	5401 20 10		
	Yarn of artificial fibres; yarn of artificial filaments, not put up for retail sale, other than single yarn of viscose rayon untwisted or with a twist of not more than 250 turns/m and single non textured yarn of cellulose acetate		
	5403 10 00      5403 20 00      ex 5403 32 00      ex 5403 33 00 5403 39 00      5403 41 00      5403 42 00      5403 49 00 ex 5604 20 00		
43	Yarn of man-made filament, yarn of artificial staple fibres, cotton yarn, put up for retail sale		
	5204 20 00      5207 10 00      5207 90 00      5401 10 90 5401 20 90      5406 10 00      5406 20 00      5508 20 90 5511 30 00		
46	Carded or combed sheep's or lambs' wool or other fine animal hair		
	5105 10 00      5105 21 00      5105 29 00      5105 31 00 5105 39 10      5105 39 90		

47	Yarn of carded sheep's or lambs' wool (woollen yarn) or of carded fine animal hair, not put up for retail sale		
	<div> <div>5106 10 10</div> <div>5106 20 99</div> </div> <div> <div>5106 10 90</div> <div>5108 10 10</div> </div> <div> <div>5106 20 10</div> <div>5108 10 90</div> </div> <div> <div>5106 20 91</div> </div>		
48	Yarn of combed sheep's or lambs' wool (worsted yarn) or of combed fine animal hair, not put up for retail sale		
	<div> <div>5107 10 10</div> <div>5107 20 51</div> <div>5108 20 10</div> </div> <div> <div>5107 10 90</div> <div>5107 20 59</div> <div>5108 20 90</div> </div> <div> <div>5107 20 10</div> <div>5107 20 91</div> </div> <div> <div>5107 20 30</div> <div>5107 20 99</div> </div>		
49	Yarn of sheep's or lambs' wool or of combed fine animal hair, put up for retail sale		
	<div> <div>5109 10 10</div> </div> <div> <div>5109 10 90</div> </div> <div> <div>5109 90 10</div> </div> <div> <div>5109 90 90</div> </div>		
50	Woven fabrics of sheep's or lambs' wool or of fine animal hair		
	<div> <div>5111 11 11</div> <div>5111 19 11</div> <div>5111 19 91</div> <div>5111 30 30</div> <div>5111 90 93</div> <div>5112 19 11</div> <div>5112 20 00</div> <div>5112 90 10</div> </div> <div> <div>5111 11 19</div> <div>5111 19 19</div> <div>5111 19 99</div> <div>5111 30 90</div> <div>5111 90 99</div> <div>5112 19 19</div> <div>5112 30 10</div> <div>5112 90 91</div> </div> <div> <div>5111 11 91</div> <div>5111 19 31</div> <div>5111 20 00</div> <div>5111 90 10</div> <div>5112 11 10</div> <div>5112 19 91</div> <div>5112 30 30</div> <div>5112 90 93</div> </div> <div> <div>5111 11 99</div> <div>5111 19 39</div> <div>5111 30 10</div> <div>5111 90 91</div> <div>5112 11 90</div> <div>5112 19 99</div> <div>5112 30 90</div> <div>5112 90 99</div> </div>		
51	Cotton, carded or combed		
	<div> <div>5203 00 00</div> </div>		
53	Cotton gauze		
	<div> <div>5803 10 00</div> </div>		
54	Artificial staple fibres, including waste, carded, combed or otherwise processed for spinning		
	<div> <div>5507 00 00</div> </div>		
55	Synthetic staple fibres, including waste, carded, combed or otherwise processed for spinning		
	<div> <div>5506 10 00</div> <div>5506 90 90</div> </div> <div> <div>5506 20 00</div> </div> <div> <div>5506 30 00</div> </div> <div> <div>5506 90 10</div> </div>		
56	Yarn of synthetic staple fibres (including waste), put up for retail sale		
	<div> <div>5508 10 90</div> </div> <div> <div>5511 10 00</div> </div> <div> <div>5511 20 00</div> </div>		
58	Carpets, carpentines and rugs, knotted ( made up or not)		
	<div> <div>5701 10 10</div> <div>5701 90 10</div> </div> <div> <div>5701 10 91</div> <div>5701 90 90</div> </div> <div> <div>5701 10 93</div> </div> <div> <div>5701 10 99</div> </div>		
59	Carpets and other textile floor coverings, other than the carpets of category 58		
	<div> <div>5702 10 00</div> <div>5702 41 00</div> <div>5702 52 00</div> <div>ex 5702 99 00</div> <div>5703 20 91</div> <div>5703 30 51</div> <div>5703 90 00</div> <div>5705 00 30</div> </div> <div> <div>5702 31 00</div> <div>5702 42 00</div> <div>ex 5702 59 00</div> <div>5703 10 00</div> <div>5703 20 99</div> <div>5703 30 59</div> <div>5704 10 00</div> <div>ex 5705 00 90</div> </div> <div> <div>5702 32 00</div> <div>5702 49 10</div> <div>5702 91 00</div> <div>5703 20 11</div> <div>5703 30 11</div> <div>5703 30 91</div> <div>5704 90 00</div> </div> <div> <div>5702 39 10</div> <div>5702 51 00</div> <div>5702 92 00</div> <div>5703 20 19</div> <div>5703 30 19</div> <div>5703 30 99</div> <div>5705 00 10</div> </div>		

60	Tapestries, hand-made, of the type Gobelins, Flanders, Aubusson, Beauvais and the like, and needlework tapestries (e.g. petit point and cross stitch) made in panels and the like by hand					
	5805 00 00					
61	Narrow woven fabrics, and narrow fabrics (bolduc) consisting of warp without weft, assembled by means of an adhesive, other than labels and similar articles of category 62 Elastic fabrics and trimmings (not knitted or crocheted), made from textile materials assembled from rubber thread					
	ex 5806 10 00 5806 32 90	5806 20 00 5806 39 00	5806 31 00 5806 40 00	5806 32 10		
62	Chenille yarn (incl. flock chenille yarn), gimped yarn (other than metallized yarn and gimped horsehair yarn)					
	5606 00 91 5606 00 99					
	Tulle and other net fabrics but not including woven, knitted or crocheted fabrics, hand or mechanically-made lace, in the piece, in strips or in motifs					
	5804 10 11 5804 21 90	5804 10 19 5804 29 10	5804 10 90 5804 29 90	5804 21 10 5804 30 00		
	Labels, badges and the like of textile materials, not embroidered, in the piece, in strips or cut to shape or size, woven					
	5807 10 10 5807 10 90					
	Braids and ornamental trimmings in the piece; tassels, pompons and the like					
	5808 10 00 5808 90 00					
	Embroidery, in the piece, in strips or in motifs					
	5810 10 10 5810 92 10	5810 10 90 5810 92 90	5810 91 10 5810 99 10	5810 91 90 5810 99 90		
	63	Knitted or crocheted fabric of synthetic fibres containing by weight 5% or more elastomeric yarn and knitted or crocheted fabrics containing by weight 5% or more of rubber thread				
5906 91 00 6004 90 00		ex 6002 40 00	6002 90 00	ex 6004 10 00		
Raschel lace and long-pile fabric of synthetic fibres						
ex 6001 10 00 6005 33 50		6003 30 10 6005 34 50	6005 31 50	6005 32 50		
65	Knitted or crocheted fabric, other than those of categories 38 A and 63, of wool, of cotton or of man-made fibres					
	5606 00 10 6001 29 10 6001 91 90 6001 92 90 6003 20 00 6005 10 00 6005 24 00 6005 34 90 6005 44 00 6006 23 00 6006 33 90 6006 43 00	ex 6001 10 00 6001 91 10 6001 92 10 6001 99 10 6003 30 90 6005 21 00 6005 31 90 6005 41 00 6006 10 00 6006 24 00 6006 34 90 6006 44 00	6001 21 00 6001 91 30 6001 92 30 ex 6002 40 00 6003 40 00 6005 22 00 6005 32 90 6005 42 00 6006 21 00 6006 31 90 6006 41 00	6001 22 00 6001 91 50 6001 92 50 6003 10 00 ex 6004 10 00 6005 23 00 6005 33 90 6005 43 00 6006 22 00 6006 32 90 6006 42 00		

66	Travelling rugs and blankets, other than knitted or crocheted, of wool, of cotton or of man-made fibres					
	6301 10 00 ex 6301 40 90	6301 20 91 ex 6301 90 90	6301 20 99	6301 30 90		
GROUP III B						
10	Gloves, mittens and mitts, knitted or crocheted				17  pairs	59
	6111 10 10 6116 10 20 6116 93 00	6111 20 10 6116 10 80 6116 99 00	6111 30 10 6116 91 00	ex 6111 90 00 6116 92 00		
67	Knitted or crocheted clothing accessories other than for babies; household linen of all kinds, knitted or crocheted; curtains (incl. drapes) and interior blinds, curtain or bed valances and other furnishing articles knitted or crocheted; knitted or crocheted blankets and travelling rugs, other knitted or crocheted articles including parts of garments or of clothing accessories					
	5807 90 90 6117 80 10 6301 30 10 6302 10 90 6303 12 00 ex 6305 20 00 ex 6305 39 00	6113 00 10 6117 80 90 6301 40 10 6302 40 00 6303 19 00 6305 32 11 ex 6305 90 00	6117 10 00 6117 90 00 6301 90 10 ex 6302 60 00 6304 11 00 ex 6305 32 90 6307 10 10	6117 20 00 6301 20 10 6302 10 10 6303 11 00 6304 91 00 6305 33 10 6307 90 10		
67 a)	Of which: Sacks and bags of a kind used for the packing of goods, made from polyethylene or polypropylene strip					
	6305 32 11      6305 33 10					
69	Women's and girls' slips and petticoats, knitted or crocheted				7.8	128
	6108 11 00      6108 19 00					
70	Panty-hose and tights of synthetic fibres, measuring per single yarn less than 67 decitex (6,7 tex)				30.4 pairs	33
	6115 11 00      6115 20 19					
	Women's full length hosiery of synthetic fibres					
	6115 93 91					
72	Swimwear, of wool, of cotton or of man-made fibres				9.7	103
	6112 31 10 6112 41 10 6211 11 00	6112 31 90 6112 41 90 6211 12 00	6112 39 10 6112 49 10	6112 39 90 6112 49 90		
74	Women's or girls' knitted or crocheted suits and ensembles, of wool, of cotton or of man-made fibres, excluding ski suits				1.54	650
	6104 11 00 6104 21 00	6104 12 00 6104 22 00	6104 13 00 6104 23 00	ex 6104 19 00 ex 6104 29 00		
75	Men's or boys' knitted or crocheted suits and ensembles, of wool, of cotton or of man-made fibres, excluding ski suit				0.80	1 250
	6103 11 00 6103 22 00	6103 12 00 6103 23 00	6103 19 00 6103 29 00	6103 21 00		
84	Shawls, scarves, mufflers, mantillas, veils and the like other than knitted or crocheted, of wool, of cotton or of man-made fibres					

6112 31 90

6112 41 90

6211 12 00

6112 39 10

6112 49 10

6112 39 90

6112 49 90

	6214 20 00	6214 30 00	6214 40 00	6214 90 10		
85	Ties, bow ties and cravats other than knitted or crocheted, of wool, of cotton or of man-made fibres				17.9	56
	6215 20 00	6215 90 00				
86	Corsets, corset-belts, suspender belts, braces, suspenders, garters and the like, and parts thereof, whether or not knitted or crocheted				8.8	114
	6212 20 00	6212 30 00	6212 90 00			
87	Gloves, mittens and mitts, not knitted or crocheted					
	ex 6209 10 00 6216 00 00	ex 6209 20 00	ex 6209 30 00	ex 6209 90 00		
88	Stockings, socks and sockettes, not knitted or crocheted; other clothing accessories, parts of garments or of clothing accessories other than for babies, other than knitted or crocheted					
	ex 6209 10 00 6217 10 00	ex 6209 20 00 6217 90 00	ex 6209 30 00	ex 6209 90 00		
90	Twine, cordage, ropes and cables of synthetic fibres, plaited or not					
	5607 41 00 5607 50 11	5607 49 11 5607 50 19	5607 49 19 5607 50 30	5607 49 90 5607 50 90		
91	Tents					
	6306 21 00	6306 22 00	6306 29 00			
93	Sacks and bags, of a kind used for the packing of goods of woven fabrics, other than made from polyethylene or polypropylene strip					
	ex 6305 20 00	ex 6305 32 90	ex 6305 39 00			
94	Wadding of textile materials and articles thereof; textile fibres, not exceeding 5 mm in length (flock), textile dust and mill neps					
	5601 10 10 5601 22 10 5601 30 00	5601 10 90 5601 22 91	5601 21 10 5601 22 99	5601 21 90 5601 29 00		
95	Felt and articles thereof, whether or not impregnated or coated, other than floor coverings					
	5602 10 19 5602 21 00 ex 5905 00 70	5602 10 31 5602 29 90 6210 10 10	5602 10 39 5602 90 00 6307 90 91	5602 10 90 ex 5807 90 10		
96	Non-woven fabrics and articles of such fabrics, whether or not impregnated, coated, covered or laminated					
	5603 11 10 5603 13 10 5603 91 10 5603 93 10 ex 5807 90 10 ex 6301 40 90 6302 53 10 ex 6304 19 90 ex 6305 39 00	5603 11 90 5603 13 90 5603 91 90 5603 93 90 ex 5905 00 70 ex 6301 90 90 6302 93 10 ex 6304 93 00 6307 10 30	5603 12 10 5603 14 10 5603 92 10 5603 94 10 6210 10 91 6302 22 10 6303 92 10 ex 6304 99 00 ex 6307 90 99	5603 12 90 5603 14 90 5603 92 90 5603 94 90 6210 10 99 6302 32 10 6303 99 10 ex 6305 32 90		
97	Nets and netting made of twine, cordage or rope and made up fishing nets of yarn, twine, cordage or rope					

	5608 11 11 5608 19 11 5608 90 00	5608 11 19 5608 19 19	5608 11 91 5608 19 30	5608 11 99 5608 19 90		
98	Other articles made from yarn, twine, cordage, cables or rope , other than textile fabrics, articles made from such fabrics and articles of category 97					
	5609 00 00	5905 00 10				
99	Textile fabrics coated with gum or amylaceous substances, of a kind used for the outer covers of books and the like; tracing cloth; prepared painting canvas; buckram and similar stiffened textile fabrics of a kind used for hat foundations					
	5901 10 00	5901 90 00				
	Linoleum, whether or not cut to shape; floor coverings consisting of a coating or covering applied on a textile backing, whether or not cut to shape					
	5904 10 00	5904 90 00				
	Rubberised textile fabric, not knitted or crocheted, excluding those for tyres					
	5906 10 00	5906 99 10	5906 99 90			
	Textile fabrics otherwise impregnated or coated; painted canvas being theatrical scenery, studio back-cloths, other than of category 100					
	5907 00 10	5907 00 90				
100	Textile fabrics impregnated, coated, covered or laminated with preparations of cellulose derivatives or of other artificial plastic materials					
	5903 10 10 5903 90 10	5903 10 90 5903 90 91	5903 20 10 5903 90 99	5903 20 90		
101	Twine, cordage, ropes and cables, plaited or not, other than of synthetic fibres					
	ex 5607 90 90					
109	Tarpaulins, sails, awnings and sunblinds					
	6306 11 00 6306 39 00	6306 12 00	6306 19 00	6306 31 00		
110	Woven pneumatic mattresses					
	6306 41 00	6306 49 00				
111	Camping goods, woven, other than pneumatic mattresses and tents					
	6306 91 00	6306 99 00				
112	Other made up textile articles, woven, excluding those of categories 113 and 114					
	6307 20 00	ex 6307 90 99				
113	Floor cloth, dish cloth and dusters, other than knitted or crocheted					
	6307 10 90					
114	Woven fabrics and articles for technical uses					

5902 10 10	5902 10 90	5902 20 10	5902 20 90
5902 90 10	5902 90 90	5908 00 00	5909 00 10
5909 00 90	5910 00 00	5911 10 00	ex 5911 20 00
5911 31 11	5911 31 19	5911 31 90	5911 32 10
5911 32 90	5911 40 00	5911 90 10	5911 90 90

#### GROUP IV

115	Flax or ramie yarn		
	5306 10 10    5306 10 30    5306 10 50    5306 10 90 5306 20 10    5306 20 90    5308 90 12    5308 90 19		
117	Woven fabrics of flax or of ramie		
	5309 11 10    5309 11 90    5309 19 00    5309 21 10 5309 21 90    5309 29 00    5311 00 10    5803 90 90 5905 00 30		
118	Table linen, toilet linen and kitchen linen of flax or ramie, other knitted or crocheted		
	6302 29 10    6302 39 10    6302 39 30    6302 52 00 ex 6302 59 00    6302 92 00    ex 6302 99 00		
120	Curtains ( incl. drapes), interior blinds, curtain and bed valances and other furnishing articles, not knitted or crocheted, of flax or ramie		
	ex 6303 99 90    6304 19 30    ex 6304 99 00		
121	Twine, cordage, ropes and cables, plaited or not, of flax or ramie		
	ex 5607 90 90		
122	Sacks and bags, of a kind used for the packing of goods, used, of flax, other than knitted or crocheted		
	ex 6305 90 00		
123	Woven pile fabrics and chenille fabrics of flax or ramie, other than narrow woven fabrics		
	5801 90 10    ex 5801 90 90		
	Shawls, scarves, mufflers, mantillas, veils and the like, of flax or ramie, other than knitted or crocheted		
	6214 90 90		

#### GROUP V

124	Synthetic staple fibres		
	5501 10 00    5501 20 00    5501 30 00    5501 90 10 5501 90 90    5503 10 10    5503 10 90    5503 20 00 5503 30 00    5503 40 00    5503 90 10    5503 90 90 5505 10 10    5505 10 30    5505 10 50    5505 10 70 5505 10 90		
125 A	Synthetic filament yarn (continuous) not put up for retail sale, other than yarn of category 41		
	5402 41 00    5402 42 00    5402 43 00		

125 B	Monofilament, strip (artificial straw and the like) and imitation catgut of synthetic materials		
	5404 10 10      5404 10 90      5404 90 11      5404 90 19 5404 90 90      ex 5604 20 00      ex 5604 90 00		
126	Artificial staple fibres		
	5502 00 10      5502 00 40      5502 00 80      5504 10 00 5504 90 00      5505 20 00		
127 A	Yarn of artificial filaments (continuous) not put up for retail sale, other than yarn of category 42		
	5403 31 00      ex 5403 32 00      ex 5403 33 00		
127 B	Monofilament, strip (artificial straw and the like) and imitation catgut of artificial textile materials		
	5405 00 00      ex 5604 90 00		
128	Coarse animal hair, carded or combed		
	5105 40 00		
129	Yarn of coarse animal hair or of horsehair		
	5110 00 00		
130 A	Silk yarn other than yarn spun from silk waste		
	5004 00 10      5004 00 90      5006 00 10		
130 B	Silk yarn other than of category 130 A; silk-worm gut		
	5005 00 10      5005 00 90      5006 00 90      ex 5604 90 00		
131	Yarn of other vegetable textile fibres		
	5308 90 90		
132	Paper yarn		
	5308 90 50		
133	Yarn of true hemp		
	5308 20 10      5308 20 90		
134	Metallized yarn		
	5605 00 00		
135	Woven fabrics of coarse animal hair or of horse hair		
	5113 00 00		
136	Woven fabrics of silk or of silk waste		
	5007 10 00      5007 20 11      5007 20 19      5007 20 21 5007 20 31      5007 20 39      5007 20 41      5007 20 51 5007 20 59      5007 20 61      5007 20 69      5007 20 71 5007 90 10      5007 90 30      5007 90 50      5007 90 90 5803 90 10      ex 5905 00 90      ex 5911 20 00		



137	Woven pile fabric and chenille fabrics and narrow woven fabrics of silk, or of silk waste		
	ex 5801 90 90      ex 5806 10 00		
138	Woven fabrics of paper yarn and other textile fibres other than of ramie		
	5311 00 90      ex 5905 00 90		
139	Woven fabrics of metal threads or of metallized yarn		
	5809 00 00		
140	Knitted or crocheted fabric of textile material other than wool or fine animal hair, cotton or man made fibres		
	ex 6001 10 00      6001 29 90      6001 99 90      6003 90 00 6005 90 00      6006 90 00		
141	Travelling rugs and blankets of textile material other than wool or fine animal hair, cotton or man made fibres		
	ex 6301 90 90		
142	Carpets and other textile floor coverings of sisal, of other fibres of the agave family or the Manila hemp		
	ex 5702 39 90      ex 5702 49 90      ex 5702 59 00      ex 5702 99 00 ex 5705 00 90		
144	Felt of coarse animal hair		
	5602 10 35      5602 29 10		
145	Twine, cordage, ropes and cables plaited or not abaca (Manila hemp) or of true hemp		
	5607 90 10      ex 5607 90 90		
146 A	Binder or baler twine for agricultural machines, of sisal or other fibres of the agave family		
	ex 5607 21 00		
146 B	Twine, cordage, ropes and cables of sisal or other fibres of the agave family, other than the products of category 146 A		
	ex 5607 21 00      5607 29 10      5607 29 90		
146 C	Twine, cordage, ropes and cables, whether or not plaited or braided, of jute or of other textile bast fibres of heading N° 5303		
	5607 10 00		
147	Silk waste (incl. cocoons unsuitable for reeling), yarn waste and garnetted stock, other than not carded or combed		
	5003 90 00		
148 A	Yarn of jute or of other textile bast fibres of heading N° 5303		
	5307 10 10      5307 10 90      5307 20 00		
148 B	Coir yarn		

	5308 10 00		
149	Woven fabrics of jute or of other textile bast fibres of a width of more than 150 cm		
	5310 10 90 ex 5310 90 00		
150	Woven fabrics of jute or of other textile bast fibres of a width of not more than 150 cm; Sacks and bags, of a kind used for the packing of goods, of jute or of other textile bast fibres, other than used		
	5310 10 10 ex 5310 90 00 5905 00 50 6305 10 90		
151 A	Floor coverings of coconut fibres (coir)		
	5702 20 00		
151 B	Carpets and other textile floor coverings, of jute or of other textile bast fibres, other than tufted or flocked		
	ex 5702 39 90 ex 5702 49 90 ex 5702 59 00 ex 5702 99 00		
152	Needle loom felt of jute or of other textile bast fibres not impregnated or coated, other than floor coverings		
	5602 10 11		
153	Used sacks and bags, of a kind used for the packing of goods, of jute or of other textile bast fibres of heading N° 5303		
	6305 10 10		
154	Silkworm cocoons suitable for reeling		
	5001 00 00		
	Raw silk (not thrown)		
	5002 00 00		
	Silk waste( incl. cocoons unsuitable for reeling), yarn waste and garnetted stock, not carded or combed		
	5003 10 00		
	Wool not carded or combed		
	5101 11 00 5101 19 00 5101 21 00 5101 29 00 5101 30 00		
	Fine or coarse animal hair, not carded or combed		
	5102 11 00 5102 19 10 5102 19 30 5102 19 40 5102 19 90 5102 20 00		
	Waste of wool or of fine or coarse animal hair, including yarn waste but excluding garnetted stock		
	5103 10 10 5103 10 90 5103 20 10 5103 20 91 5103 20 99 5103 30 00		
	Garnetted stock of wool or of fine or coarse animal hair		
	5104 00 00		

	Flax, raw or processed but not spun: flax tow and waste (including yarn waste and garnetted stock)		
	5301 10 00      5301 21 00      5301 29 00      5301 30 10 5301 30 90		
	Ramie and other vegetable textile fibres, raw or processed but not spun: tow, noils and waste, other than coir and abaca of heading N° 5304		
	5305 90 00		
	Cotton, not carded nor combed		
	5201 00 10      5201 00 90		
	Cotton waste (incl. yarn waste and garnetted stock)		
	5202 10 00      5202 91 00      5202 99 00		
	True hemp ( <i>cannabis sativa L.</i> ), raw or processed but not spun: tow and waste of true hemp (including yarn waste and garnetted stock)		
	5302 10 00      5302 90 00		
	Abaca ( <i>Manila hemp</i> or <i>Musa Textilis Nee</i> ), raw or processed but not spun: tow and waste of abaca (including yarn waste and garnetted stock)		
	5305 21 00      5305 29 00		
	Jute or other textile bast fibres ( excl. flax, true hemp and ramie), raw or processed but not spun: tow and waste of jute or other textile bast fibres (including yarn waste and garnetted stock)		
	5303 10 00      5303 90 00		
	Other vegetable textile fibres, raw or processed but not spun: tow and waste of such fibres (including yarn waste and garnetted stock)		
	5304 10 00      5304 90 00      5305 11 00      5305 19 00 5305 90 00		
156	Blouses and pullovers knitted or crocheted of silk or silk waste for women and girls		
	6106 90 30      ex 6110 90 90		
157	Garments, knitted or crocheted, other than those of categories 1 to 123 and 156		
	6101 90 10      6101 90 90      6102 90 10      6102 90 90 ex 6103 39 00      6103 49 99      ex 6104 19 00      ex 6104 29 00 ex 6104 39 00      6104 49 00      6104 69 99      6105 90 90 6106 90 50      6106 90 90      ex 6107 99 00      6108 99 90 6109 90 90      6110 90 10      ex 6110 90 90      ex 6111 90 00 6114 90 00		
159	Dresses, blouses and shirt-blouses, not knitted or crocheted, of silk or silk waste		
	6204 49 10      6206 10 00		
	Shawls, scarves, mufflers, mantillas, veils and the like, not knitted or crocheted, of silk or silk waste		
	6214 10 00		

	Ties, bow ties and cravats of silk or silk waste		
	6215 10 00		
160	Handkerchiefs of silk or silk waste		
	6213 10 00		
161	Garments, not knitted or crocheted, other than those of categories 1 to 123 and category 159		
	6201 19 00	6201 99 00	6202 19 00
	6203 19 90	6203 29 90	6203 39 90
	6204 19 90	6204 29 90	6204 39 90
	6204 59 90	6204 69 90	6205 90 10
	6206 90 10	6206 90 90	ex 6211 20 00
	6211 49 00		6211 39 00

## Annex 2

### Quantitative limits referred to in article 3 paragraph 1

1	2	3	4	5	6
Category	Units	2003 Quotas applied until entry into force of the Agreement on 15 April 2003	2003	2004	2005
Group IB					
4	1 000 pcs	10,709	15,596	16,531	17,523
5	1 000 pcs	3,551	5,172	5,482	5,811
6	1 000 pcs	5,465	7,958	8,435	8,941
7	1 000 pcs	3,003	4,376	4,638	4,916
8	1 000 pcs	14,206	20,688	21,929	23,245
Group IIA					
9	tonnes	982	982	1,041	1,103
20	tonnes	255	255	270	287
39	tonnes	244	244	259	274
Group IIB					
12	1 000 pairs	3,096	3,096	3,282	3,479
13	1 000 pcs	9,253	9,253	9,808	10,397
14	1 000 pcs	493	493	523	554
15	1 000 pcs	550	891	944	1,001
18	tonnes	968	1,502	1,593	1,688
21	1 000 pcs	20,837	20,837	22,087	23,412
26	1 000 pcs	1,256	1,952	2,069	2,193
28	1000 pcs	3,881	6,029	6,391	6,774
29	1000 pcs	381	631	669	709
31	1 000 pcs	4,372	7,427	7,873	8,345
68	tonnes	473	730	773	820
73	1 000 pcs	1,159	1,765	1,871	1,983
76	tonnes	1,259	1,918	2,034	2,156
78	tonnes	1,311	1,910	2,024	2,146
83	tonnes	436	636	674	715
Group IIIA					
35	tonnes	671	1,021	1,082	1,147
41	tonnes	809	1,237	1,311	1,390
Group IIIB					
10	1 000 pairs	6,160	6,160	6,530	6,921
97	tonnes	224	346	366	388
Group IV					
118	tonnes	277	277	294	311
Group V					
161	tonnes	248	386	409	434

**Annex 3<sup>3</sup>**

<b><u>HS6 code</u></b>	<b><u>2003</u></b>	<b><u>2004</u></b>	<b><u>2005</u></b>
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The HS codes in this annex refer to those of the INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON THE HARMONIZED COMMODITY DESCRIPTION AND CODING SYSTEM as last amended by the Recommendation of 25 June 1999 of the Customs Co-operation Council (Vietnam is a member of the World Customs Organization)

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## Annex 4

### Agreed Minute

In the context of the Agreement in the form of an Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters on trade in textile and clothing products between the European Community and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam initialled in Hanoi on 15 February 2003 and more particularly with reference to article 3 paragraph 9 thereof, the Parties recorded their understanding that non-tariff measures inconsistent with WTO rules that could hinder trade in textiles and clothing, wines and spirits and ceramic tiles are not to be applied by either of the Parties, A non-exhaustive list of such measures is provided as follows:

- any additional customs duties on the import or sale of products of EU or Vietnamese origin in excess of those set out in the Agreement, or any fees and charges in connection with importation or exportation in excess of the approximate cost of services rendered;
- any taxes which are higher than any such taxes imposed on the production or sale of equivalent domestic goods;
- technical regulations or standards, or conformity assessment or certification rules, procedures or practices going beyond the purposes for which they are required;
- any minimum import prices or indicative values resulting in effective application of minimum prices or arbitrary and fictitious prices or any customs valuation rules, procedures or practices giving rise to barriers to trade;
- rules, procedures or practices for pre-shipment inspection that are discriminatory, non-transparent, excessively lengthy or burdensome, and the imposition of customs controls for the clearance of goods to shipments that have already been subject of pre-shipment inspection;
- excessively burdensome, costly or arbitrary rules, procedures or practices concerning the certification of the origin of products or requiring direct shipment of goods from the country of origin to the country of destination;
- any non-automatic, discretionary or other licensing requirements, rules, procedures or practices imposing disproportionate burdens or having restrictive effects on imports, in particular application for automatic licenses submitted in an appropriate and complete form should be approved immediately on receipt, to the extent administratively feasible, but within a maximum of 10 working days;
- requirements or practices concerning marking, labelling, the description of composition of the product or the description of the manufacturing of products which, either in their formulation or in their application, are in any form discriminatory as compared with domestic products and not more trade restrictive than necessary to fulfil a legitimate objective;
- unduly long customs clearance delays or excessively burdensome, non-transparent or costly customs procedures, including inspection requirements, which have an unnecessary restrictive effect on imports;

- subsidies causing injury to the textiles and clothing industry of the other Party,

In order to facilitate legitimate trade, notwithstanding the need of effective control, the Parties undertake to:

- co-operate and exchange information on issues of mutual interest concerning customs legislation and procedures, and in particular to deal promptly with problems faced by operators arising from measures covered by this Agreement;
- provide effective, non-discriminatory and prompt procedures enabling the right of appeal against customs and other agency administrative actions, ruling and decisions affecting import or export of goods;
- establish an appropriate consultation mechanism between customs administrations and traders on customs regulations and procedures;
- publish, as far as possible through electronic means, new legislation and general procedures related to customs, as well as any modification, no later than the entry into force of any such legislation and procedures;
- co-operate with a view to reaching a common approach to issues relating to customs valuation, in particular the elaboration of a "code of good practices" in relation to working methods and operational aspects, the use of indicative or reference indices, appropriate documentation to certify the accuracy of the customs value and the use of securities,

The Parties agree that the commitments contained in this Agreed Minute are not intended to go beyond or to place them under higher standards or obligations than those contained in the WTO agreements, taking into account the provisions applying to developing countries with a low level of GNP per capita.

## **Annex 5**

### **Other commitments on market access**

- 1. VIETNAM SHALL IMPLEMENT THE FOLLOWING MEASURES NECESSARY TO GUARANTEE IMPROVED MARKET ACCESS FOR EUROPEAN COMMUNITY OPERATORS IN THE FOLLOWING NON-TEXTILES SECTORS:**

#### **Maritime transport**

Vietnam agrees that by 1 January 2004 EU maritime operators through joint venture companies with Vietnamese partners, the investment capital to be contributed by both parties to be subject to negotiation between them and without a limit for either party, are able to undertake the following sea transport cargo agency activities:

- Marketing and sales services related to cargoes transported
- Acting on behalf of the cargo owners
- Provision of business information
- Preparation of documentation related with cargoes transported
- Preparation of documentation concerning customs documents or other documents related to the origin and character of the goods transported
- Setting up of representative offices in Vietnam
- Provision of maritime transport services, including the cabotage services necessary for the supply of the integrated services through Vietnamese ships.

As far as multimodal transport is concerned, Vietnam agrees to consider favourably any EU request that EU maritime operators obtain the same rights as companies of ASEAN countries as soon as the ASEAN Framework on Multimodal Transport comes into force.

#### **Insurance brokerage licences**

Vietnam shall immediately issue an operating licence to an EU insurance brokerage.

#### **Motor-bikes/ Scooters**

Vietnam shall introduce by 1 January 2004 a tariff quota for the importation annually of up to 3000 units of Completely Built Units (CBU) of motorbikes or scooters of EU origin with a view to a significant reduction in the tariff rate.

#### **Wines and spirits**

Vietnam shall reduce import tariffs on wines and spirits of EU origin to 80% from 1 January, 2004 and to 70% from 1 January, 2005.

**2. VIETNAM SHALL ALSO FULFIL ITS EARLIER COMMITMENTS IN THE FOLLOWING SECTORS:**

**Wines and spirits**

Elimination of minimum import prices for wines and spirits of EU origin.

**Ceramic tiles**

Elimination of minimum import prices and additional duties (price difference collection rate of 10%).

**Pharmaceuticals**

Progressive elimination (5 molecules per year) of list of prohibited molecules by 2006.

**3. NON DISCRIMINATION ISSUES**

Vietnam confirms the commitment by its Foreign Minister in letter dated 1 February 2002, Trade Minister in letter dated 10 October 2000, to Commissioners Patten and Lamy respectively.



## **2. LETTER FROM THE GOVERNMENT OF THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM**

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of    which reads as follows:

1. I have the honour to refer to the negotiations held from 12 to 15 February 2003 between our respective delegations with a view to amending the Agreement between the European Community and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam on trade in textile and clothing products initialled on 15 December 1992 and applied from 1 January 1993, as last amended by the Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters initialled on 31 March 2000 (hereinafter referred to as “the Agreement”).
2. As a result of those negotiations, it was agreed to amend the Agreement as follows:
  - 2.1. Article 3 of the Agreement shall be replaced by the following:

‘Article 3

1. The European Community agrees to raise its quantitative limits of products listed in Annex 2 to the amounts set out therein for each Agreement year. This increase will be carried out each year upon implementation by Vietnam of its commitments under paragraphs 3,4,8 and 10. The quantitative limits for 2003 will be raised to the levels indicated in column 4. For the years 2004 and 2005 the quantitative limits as indicated in columns 5 and 6 will apply.

In the allocation of quantities for export to the Community, Vietnam undertakes to ensure that companies fully or partially owned by Community investors and Vietnamese companies are treated equally.

2. Exports of textile products set out in Annex 2 shall be subject to a double-checking system as specified in Protocol A.
3. In administering the quantitative limits referred to in paragraph 1, Vietnam shall ensure that the Community textile industry benefits from utilisation of such limits.

In particular, Vietnam undertakes to reserve, as a priority, 30% of the quantitative limits for firms in that industry for a period of four months beginning on 1 January of each year. For this purpose, contracts made with such firms during the period in question and submitted to the Vietnamese authorities during the same period shall be taken into consideration.

4. To facilitate the implementation of these provisions, the Community shall provide the competent Vietnamese authorities, before 31 October of each year, with a list of interested manufacturers and processors and of the quantity of products requested for each firm. To this end, the firms concerned must make direct contact with the relevant Vietnamese bodies during the period specified in paragraph 3, in order to verify what quantities are available under the reserve referred to in paragraph 3.

In case the amount granted under the industry reserve does not reach 30 % of the

quantitative limits, the unused amount of the industry reserve can be reverted to the yearly overall quota levels from 1 May each year.

5. Subject to the provisions of this Agreement, and without prejudice to the quantitative system applicable to products subject to the operations referred to in Article 4, the Community undertakes to suspend the application of quantitative restrictions currently in force in respect of products covered by this Agreement.
6. Exports of products referred to in Annex IV to the Agreement which are not subject to quantitative limits shall be subject to the double-checking system referred to in paragraph 2.
7. Should Vietnam become a Member of the World Trade Organisation before 1/1/2005, the Agreement and its Annexes, as well as this Exchange of Letters and its Appendices, will be applied in accordance with the Agreements and rules of the World Trade Organization and Vietnam's Protocol of Accession to the WTO. Any quotas maintained prior to the date of accession of Vietnam to the World Trade Organization will be notified to the Textiles Monitoring Body set up by the Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (ATC) in accordance with Article 2 of that Agreement, together with appropriate administrative arrangements, to be agreed prior to Vietnam's WTO accession, and phased out in accordance with the ATC and Vietnam's protocol of accession. Should Vietnam become member of the World Trade Organisation after 1/1/2005 but before the expiry date of this Agreement, the Agreements and rules of WTO shall be applied from the date of Vietnam's accession to the WTO.
8. Vietnam shall not apply tariffs on the import of textiles and clothing products of EU origin at rates higher than those indicated in Annex 3.
9. The Parties agree to refrain from applying any non-tariff measures inconsistent with WTO rules that could hinder trade in textile and clothing as indicated in a non-exhaustive list of these measures in Annex 4.
10. In addition to its commitments under paragraphs 3,4,8 and 9 above, Vietnam undertakes to take the measures indicated in Annex 5.
11. Under the terms to be agreed between Vietnam and Turkey and on the basis of an increase by Turkey of the quotas it applies vis-à-vis Vietnam, Vietnam agrees to extend the treatment provided to textile and clothing products originating in the European Communities to textile and clothing products originating from Turkey.
12. The Parties agree that the European Community retains, for a maximum period not extending beyond the duration of the ATC insofar as Vietnam has become Member of the WTO, the right to reapply the quota regime at the levels indicated in annex 2, column 3 in the event that Vietnam fails to fulfil any of the obligations contained in paragraphs 3,4,8,9 and 10 of this Agreement. Should any failure to fulfil its obligations take place in years 2004 or 2005, these levels will be increased by a growth rate of 3% per annum. The Parties agree that Vietnam retains the right to suspend the application of its commitments under paragraphs 3,4,8,9 and 10 should the European Community fail to fulfil any of the obligations contained in paragraphs 1 and 9 of this agreement. The Parties agree to consult with each other pursuant to paragraph 13 before exercising this right.

13. The Parties agree that the balance of the present agreement, forming a package of mutual concessions freely extended between the Parties, depends on the full and faithful implementation of all the terms of this Agreement. As a result the Parties agreed to consult periodically in order to ensure the proper implementation of this Agreement. In addition, the Parties agree to consult following the request of either Party concerning any aspect of this Agreement.

In the event that either party seeks to exercise the right contained in paragraph 12 it will provide the other party with details of any alleged failure in writing. Consultations with a view to remedying the failure in question will be held within 30 days of such a written request unless the Parties agree otherwise. In the event the Parties cannot agree on appropriate remedial action within 30 days from the start of the consultations either party will have the right to proceed under paragraph 12.'

- 2.2 Article 19(1) and 19(2) of the Agreement shall be replaced by the following:

1. This Agreement shall enter into force on the first day of the month following the date on which the Parties notify each other of the completion of the procedures necessary for that purpose. It shall be applicable until 31 December 2005.
2. Both Parties are ready to engage in further negotiations as of 1 January 2004 with a view to improving access to their respective markets.

- 2.3 Annex A of the Agreement is replaced by Annex 1 to this letter.

- 2.4 Annex B of the Agreement is replaced by Annex 2 to this letter.

- 2.5 To the Protocol concerning the industry reserve in annex D of the Agreement, the following is added:

The Vietnamese authorities shall provide the European Community with the list of the European companies benefiting from the Industry reserve and the quantities and categories for which licenses have been granted.

- 2.6 In the Protocol of Understanding annexed to the Agreement, articles 4 and 5 and its 3 annexes are repealed.
3. I should be obliged if you would confirm the agreement of the Socialist Republic of Vietnam to the above amendments. Should this be the case, this letter and its accompanying Annexes, together with your written confirmation shall constitute an Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters between the European Community and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam. This Agreement shall enter into force on the first day of the month following the date on which the European Community and the Socialist Republic of Vietnam notify each other of the completion of the procedures necessary for that purpose. In the meantime, the amendments to the Agreement shall be applied provisionally from 15 April 2003, subject to reciprocity.

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 Socialist Republic of Vietnam