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No. 8899. EXCHANGE OF LETTERS CONSTITUTING AN ARRANGEMENT¹ BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND SINGAPORE RELATING TO TRADE IN COTTON TEXTILES. SINGAPORE, 30 AUGUST 1966

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*The Singapore Deputy Secretary, Economic Development, to the American
Chargé d'Affaires ad interim*

MINISTRY OF FINANCE

30th August, 1966

Dear Mr. Dexter,

I refer to recent discussions held in Singapore between representatives of our two Governments concerning exports of cotton textiles from Singapore to the United States, and wish to inform you that in accordance with the agreement reached during the discussions, the Singapore Cotton Textile Industry will voluntarily restrain its exports to the United States, in accordance with the Singapore Cotton Textile Industry Restraint Schedule attached to this letter.

In view of this action by the Singapore industry, I propose the following arrangement, to be effective as of 1st April, 1966, concerning this trade :

(1) The Government of the United States of America agrees not to invoke procedures under Article 6 (c) and 3 of the long-term arrangements regarding international trade in cotton textiles to limit cotton textile exports from Singapore to the United States during the term of this arrangement.

(2) The Government of the Republic of Singapore undertakes that the exports of cotton textiles from Singapore to the United States will be restrained in accordance with the attached voluntary restraint schedule.

(3) The Government of the United States shall promptly supply the Government of the Republic of Singapore with data on monthly imports of cotton textiles from Singapore. The Government of the Republic of Singapore shall promptly supply the Government of the United States with data on monthly exports of cotton textiles to the United

¹ Came into force on 30 August 1966, by the exchange of the said letters, with retroactive effect from 1 April 1966.

States. Each Government agrees to supply promptly any other available statistical data requested by the other Government.

(4) The Government of the Republic of Singapore and the Government of the United States agree to consult on any questions concerning trade in cotton textiles between our two countries, including levels of exports in categories not given specific limits in the attached schedule and in made-up goods or apparel made from a particular fabric.

(5) If the Government of the Republic of Singapore considers that as a result of the restraints specified in the attached schedule, Singapore is being placed in an inequitable position vis-à-vis a third country, the Government of the Republic of Singapore may request consultations with the Government of the United States with a view to taking appropriate remedial action such as consent of the Government of the United States to reasonable modification of this arrangement, including attached schedule.

(6) This arrangement shall continue in force through 31st March, 1969, except that either Government may terminate this arrangement effective at the end of March in any year by written notice to the other Government to be given at least 90 days prior to such termination date. Either Government may at any time propose revisions in this arrangement, including the attached schedule.

If this proposal is acceptable to the Government of the United States, I would appreciate your letter of acceptance on behalf of your Government.

Very truly yours,

NGIAM Tong Dow
Deputy Secretary
(Economic Development)

Mr. John B. Dexter,
Chargé d'Affaires ad interim,
Embassy of the United States of America,
Singapore.

SINGAPORE COTTON TEXTILE INDUSTRY RESTRAINT SCHEDULE

The Singapore Cotton Textile Industry will restrain its exports of cotton textiles to the United States as follows :

1. During the period April 1, 1966, to March 31, 1969, exports of cotton textiles from Singapore to the United States will be limited to aggregate, group and specific limits at the levels specified below.

2. For the first limitation year, constituting the 12-month period beginning April 1, 1966, the aggregate limit shall be 30,000,000 square yards.

3. Within this aggregate limit the following group limits shall apply for the first limitation year :

	<i>In square yards equivalent</i>
Group I : Apparel Categories (Categories 39-63)	20,000,000
Group II : All other categories	10,000,000

4. Within the aggregate limit and the applicable group limits, the following specific limits shall apply for the first limitation year.

<i>Category</i>	<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Unit</i>	<i>In square yards equivalent</i>
Apparel Categories (Group I) :			
43	85,000	Doz.	614,890
44	20,000	Doz.	736,000
45	60,000	Doz.	1,331,160
46	40,000	Doz.	978,280
47	45,000	Doz.	998,370
50	130,000	Doz.	2,313,610
51	60,000	Doz.	1,067,820
52	65,000	Doz.	944,450
54	50,000	Doz.	1,250,000
55	27,000	Doz.	1,377,000
60	149,000	Doz.	7,742,040

All Other Categories (Group II) :

9/10	1,000,000	Sq. yds.	1,000,000
18/19	1,000,000	Sq. yds.	1,000,000
26 (duck only)	1,500,000	Sq. yds.	1,500,000
31 (shop towels only)	13,850,000	Pieces	4,819,800
34/35	160,000	Pieces	992,000