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and  
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## EXCHANGE OF NOTES CONSTITUTING AN AGREEMENT<sup>1</sup> BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF ROMANIA RELATING TO TRADE IN TEXTILES

### I

*The Secretary of State to the Romanian Ambassador*

DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
WASHINGTON

January 17, 1977

Excellency:

I have the honor to refer to the Arrangement regarding international trade in textiles done at Geneva on December 20, 1973<sup>2</sup> (the "Multifiber Arrangement"). I also refer to discussions held from December 20, 1976, through January 3, 1977, in Washington, between representatives of our two Governments concerning exports of certain textile products from the Socialist Republic of Romania to the United States of America. As a result of these discussions and in conformity with Article 3 of the Multifiber Arrangement, I wish to propose the following Interim Arrangement regarding trade in certain textile products between the Socialist Republic of Romania and the United States of America:

Without prejudice to any rights of either Government under the Multifiber Arrangement (MFA), or to actions taken thereunder by the Government of the United States of America and objected to by the Government of the Socialist Republic of Romania, and without prejudice to future negotiations, the Government of the Socialist Republic of Romania and the Government of the United States of America agree to the following Interim Arrangement pursuant to the procedures set forth in article 3, paragraphs 6 and 7, of the MFA:

Both Governments will cooperate, employing their respective authorities, to implement the provisions of this Interim Arrangement. The Government of the Socialist Republic of Romania will limit its shipments to the United States of America in category 120 and category 237 to 110,000 units from January 1, 1977, to April 30, 1977. Of this amount of 110,000 units, not more than 85,000 units shall be in category 237 and not more than 25,000 units shall be in category 120, this division to be subject to mutually acceptable revision within 21 days. The Government of the United States of America may assist the Government of the Socialist Republic of Romania in this regard by controlling imports of categories 120 and 237 to these levels starting January 1, 1977.

The two Governments further agree to meet within 90 days to negotiate and conclude on mutually acceptable terms a more comprehensive, longer-term agreement, consistent with the basic objectives and principles of the MFA.

If the foregoing proposal is acceptable to the Government of the Socialist Republic of Romania, this note and Your Excellency's note of confirmation of behalf of the Government of the Socialist Republic of Romania shall constitute an agreement between the Government of the Socialist Republic of Romania and the Government of the United States of America.

<sup>1</sup> Came into force on 17 January 1977 by the exchange of the said notes, with retroactive effect from 1 January 1977, in accordance with their provisions.

<sup>2</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 930, p. 166.

Accept, Excellency, the renewed assurances of my highest consideration.

For the Secretary of State:  
STEPHEN W. BOSWORTH

His Excellency Nicolae M. Nicolae  
Ambassador of the Socialist Republic  
of Romania

## II

### EMBASSY OF THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF ROMANIA WASHINGTON, D.C.

The Ambassador of the Socialist Republic of Romania presents his compliments to the Department of State and has the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your note of January 17, 1977, proposing an Interim Arrangement regarding trade in certain textile products between our two Governments.

I further have the honor to confirm on behalf of the Government of the Socialist Republic of Romania that the proposal set forth in your note is acceptable to my Government and to confirm that your note and this reply thereto constitute an Interim Arrangement.

The Ambassador of the Socialist Republic of Romania avails himself of this opportunity to renew to the Department of State the assurances of his highest consideration.

Washington, D.C., January 17, 1977.

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