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**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
and  
POLAND**

**Exchange of letters constituting a trade agreement, reached on the Tokyo Round of the Multilateral Trade Negotiations (with related letters dated 27 June and 20 October 1980). Geneva, 28 February 1979**

*Authentic text: English.*

*Registered by the United States of America on 1 March 1982.*

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**ÉTATS-UNIS D'AMÉRIQUE  
et  
POLOGNE**

**Échange de lettres constituant un accord commercial, convenu lors des négociations commerciales multilatérales dites de Tokyo (avec lettres connexes en date du 27 juin et du 20 octobre 1980). Genève, 28 février 1979**

*Texte authentique : anglais.*

*Enregistré par les États-Unis d'Amérique le 1<sup>er</sup> mars 1982.*

EXCHANGE OF LETTERS CONSTITUTING A TRADE AGREEMENT<sup>1</sup>  
BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND POLAND,  
REACHED ON THE TOKYO ROUND OF THE MULTILATERAL  
TRADE NEGOTIATIONS

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PERMANENT REPRESENTATION OF THE POLISH PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC  
TO THE OFFICE OF THE UNITED NATIONS IN GENEVA

Geneva, February 28, 1979

Dear Mr. Culbert,

Further to our letter to the Director General of GATT<sup>2</sup> of October 17, 1978 (No. 40-86-78/GATT) containing the tariff offer made by Poland in the MTN and of December 18, 1978 (No. 40-114-78/GATT) as well as in reference to US notification submitted by the US Delegation to the MTN in the letter of December 12, 1977, to the Permanent Representation of the Polish People's Republic to the United Nations, I have the honour to inform you, in the context of negotiations conducted by our delegations in the MTN that the following steps either are already in effect or will be undertaken by Polish authorities:

1. Derestriction of the balance of payments data of Poland with GATT countries supplied to the GATT under Poland's Protocol of Accession so that these data may be freely used for purposes of trade analysis.
2. Publication annually of foreign trade statistics on a country-by-commodity and commodity-by-country basis in the "Foreign Trade Statistic Yearbook". Publication of foreign trade statistics covering major commodities and countries in the monthly Statistical Bulletin. Continued efforts to improve the foreign trade statistical system.
3. Continuation of exchange rate for representational offices in Poland at a rate at least as favourable as that applied to tourists (the rate as of February 1, 1978, was 33.20 Polish zloty to US dollar).
4. Publication of a directory of Polish producing enterprises and appropriate research and design institutes before the end of 1980 (to be updated as necessary). The directory will include basic information such as telephone and telex numbers and addresses.

<sup>1</sup> Came into force on 20 October 1980, with retroactive effect from 1 January 1980, the date on which schedule XX (*United States*)\* became a schedule to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, in accordance with the provisions of the related letters.

\* United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1189, p. 2.

<sup>2</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 55, p. 187.

Yours sincerely,

[Signed]

TOMASZ JODKO  
Head of the Polish Delegation

Mr. William E. Culbert  
Acting Head of the United States Delegation  
to the Multilateral Trade Negotiations

## II

UNITED STATES DELEGATION  
TO THE MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS  
GENEVA, SWITZERLAND

February 28, 1979

Dear Mr. Jodko:

Thank you for your letter dated February 28, 1979, containing Poland's responses to U.S. non-tariff measure requests. These responses are adequate to enable me to confirm that in the United States tariff offer we will make reductions on the attached list of products principally supplied by Poland at the rates indicated.

Poland will also benefit from many other U.S. tariff concessions being granted by the U.S. to other countries in the framework of the Multilateral Trade Negotiations. A definitive list of all U.S. concessions will be made available as soon as the U.S. has completed final adjustments to its global offer in the light of negotiations currently being completed with a number of other countries.

The Government of the United States takes note of the Polish tariff offer contained in GATT Document No. 40-86-78. The Government of the United States will consider its position on the Polish tariff in the light of the result of the GATT Working Party on the Polish tariff.

Sincerely,

[Signed]

WILLIAM E. CULBERT  
Acting Head of Delegation

Attachment.

Mr. Tomasz Jodko  
Deputy Director of Department  
Ministry of Foreign Trade and Shipping  
Polish People's Republic

## U.S. COMMITMENTS TO POLAND

*Items Principally Supplied by Poland*

<i>TSUS #</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Offer</i>
121.45	Calf and Kip leather .....	5.5%
123.50	Furskins of the silver, black or platinum fox .....	8.0%
356.70	Woven fabrics of vegetable fiber, except cotton not over 100 yarns for towels.	8.2%
366.39	Towels of vegetable fiber, except cotton, nes, not ornamented .....	4.4%
380.0260	Men's and boys' ornamented wool suits, not knit a-l-o-n .....	35.0%
387.30	Other articles vegetable fiber, except cotton not ornamented, nes .....	4.4%
407.25	Acetylsalicylic acid or aspirin .....	10.2%
421.14	Sodium nitrite .....	8.6%
452.10	Caraway oil .....	Bound free
702.60	Wool headwear, felt, not knit, not woven, not pulled, etc. ....	12.1%
703.45	Headwear, fur, not on the skin other persons, over \$9 not over \$24 per dozen ..	26.0%
703.50	Headwear, fur, not on the skin other persons, over \$24 not over \$30 per dozen .....	8.2%
727.15	Furniture and parts of bentwood .....	6.6%
732.04	Bicycles, not over 19-inch wheels, over \$6.25 to \$8.33 .....	7.2%

## RELATED LETTERS

## I a

OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE  
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
WASHINGTON

June 27, 1980

Dear Ambassador Spasowski:

I refer to the exchange of letters of February 28, 1979 negotiated during the Multilateral Trade Negotiations, the United States tariff offers in which have been superseded by Schedule XX to the Geneva (1979) Protocol.<sup>1</sup> In order to comply with certain technical legal requirements, the United States intends to treat this exchange as an agreement between our two Governments as contracting parties to GATT, effective January 1, 1980, when such Schedule XX became a schedule to GATT.

Sincerely,

[Signed]

ROBERT C. CASSIDY, Jr.  
General Counsel

His Excellency Romuald Spasowski  
Ambassador  
Embassy of the Polish People's Republic  
Washington, D.C.

<sup>1</sup> United Nations, *Treaty Series*, vol. 1187, p. 2.

## II a

AMBASSADOR OF THE POLISH PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC  
WASHINGTON

Washington, D.C., October 20, 1980

Dear Mr. Cassidy,

I thank you for your letter of June 27, 1980, regarding the exchange of letters of February 28, 1979 which was agreed during the Multilateral Trade Negotiations, in which the United States Tariff Offer has been superseded by Schedule XX—concession list to the Geneva (1979) Protocol.

Also my government intends to treat this exchange of letters as an agreement between our two governments as contracting parties to GATT.

Sincerely yours,

[Signed]

ROMUALD SPASOWSKI

Mr. Robert C. Cassidy  
General Counsel  
Office of the United States  
Trade Representative  
Washington, D.C.

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