COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 2598/2001

of 28 December 2001

amending Regulations (EC) No 1442/2001 and (EC) No 1954/2001 as regards authorised transfers between the quantitative limits of textiles and clothing products originating in the Republic of India

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 3030/93 of 12 October 1993 on common rules for imports of certain textile products from third countries (1), as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1809/2001 (2), and in particular Article 7 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Paragraph 6 of the Memorandum of Understanding between the European Community and the Republic of India on arrangements in the area of market access for textiles products, initialled on 31 December 1994 and approved by Council Decision 96/386/EC (3), provides that favourable consideration is to be given to certain requests from the Republic of India for 'exceptional flexibility' in the setting of quotas for those products.
- (2) Commission Regulations (EC) No 1442/2001 of 16 July 2001 on the authorisation of transfers between the quantitative limits of textiles and clothing products originating in the Republic of India (4), as amended by Regulations (EC) No 2246/2001 (5), and (EC) No 1954/ 2001 of 5 October 2001 authorising transfers between the quantitative limits of textiles and clothing products originating in the Republic of India (6), as amended by

Regulation (EC) No 2246/2001, accommodated two such requests from the Republic of India.

- On 2 November 2001 the Republic of India submitted a (3) revised request for modification of the transfers authorised by those Regulations.
- The transfers, as modified, requested by the Republic of (4) India, fall within the limits of the flexibility provisions in Regulation (EEC) No 3030/93.
- It is, therefore, appropriate to grant the revised request and Regulations (EC) No 1442/2001 and (EC) No 1954/ 2001 should be amended accordingly.
- It is desirable for this Regulation to enter into force on the day after its publication in order to allow operators to benefit from it as soon as possible.
- The measures provided for in this Regulation are in (7) accordance with the opinion of the Textile Committee,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

In the Annex to Regulation (EC) No 1442/2001, the row for Group IIB, Category 26, is replaced by the following:

Group	Category	Unit	Limit 2001	Adjusted working level	Quantity units	Quantity tonnes	%	Flexibility	Adjusted working level
IIB	26	pieces	19 546 000	20 914 220	3 100 000	1 000	15,9	Transfer from category 15	24 014 220
					- 3 100 000	- 1 000	15,9	Transfer to category 2A	20 914 220'

Article 2

In the Annex to Regulation (EC) No 1954/2001, the row for Group IA, Category 2A, is replaced by the following:

OJ L 275, 8.11.1993, p. 1. OJ L 252, 20.9.2001, p. 1. OJ L 153, 27.6.1996, p. 47. OJ L 193, 17.7.2001, p. 7. OJ L 303, 20.11.2001, p. 20. OJ L 266, 6.10.2001, p. 6.

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Group	Category	Unit	Limit 2001	Adjusted working level	Quantity units	Quantity tonnes	%	Flexibility	Adjusted working level
ΊA	2A	kg	21 372 000	22 868 000	2 000 000	2 000	7 %	Transfer from categories 3 and 26	24 868 000'

Article 3

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following its publication in the Official Journal of the European Communities.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 28 December 2001.

For the Commission
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Member of the Commission