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between the Government of the
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and the Government of Israel
about the Trade in Cotton Yarn

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THE TRADE IN COTTON YARN**

No. 1

*Her Majesty's Chargé d'Affaires at Tel Aviv to the Minister for
Foreign Affairs of Israel*

British Embassy,

Your Excellency,

Tel Aviv, September 15, 1964:

I have the honour to refer to recent discussions between representatives of the Government of Israel and Her Majesty's Government about the trade in cotton yarn between Israel and the United Kingdom.

During these discussions the United Kingdom representatives explained the difficulties which had been caused by the great volume of cotton yarn imports, to which the substantial increase in imports from Israel had contributed. They also referred to the extensive measures which had been taken and were being taken by other countries, including Commonwealth and E.F.T.A. countries, to restrict their cotton textile exports to Britain. In requesting restraint on imports from Israel the British representatives pointed out that they were acting in accordance with Article 4 of the GATT Longterm Arrangement regarding International Trade in Cotton Textiles, which governs mutually acceptable arrangements between participating countries in the Arrangement. The Israel representatives drew attention to the importance for Israel of expanding exports by all possible means, and to the plans which had been made for the expansion of the cotton textile industry.

In the light of these discussions I have the honour to propose the following arrangements relating to trade in cotton yarn.

1. The Government of Israel shall limit its annual exports to the United Kingdom of cotton yarn (tariff Nos. 55.05 and 55.06 by the Brussels nomenclature) from the 1st of May 1964 to 1,663,000 lbs, being the total exports in the twelve months ending the 30th of April, 1964.

2. This arrangement shall apply to the period from 1st of May 1964 to the end of 1965. With the level for the eight months from 1st May 1965 to 31st of December 1965 calculated on the same basis, the total level for the twenty months in question would be 2,772,000 lbs.

3. The above restrictions shall not apply to cotton yarn exported from Israel to the United Kingdom for processing and subsequent re-export in the form of cotton yarn.

4. It was agreed that representatives of the two Governments would consult together to draw up the necessary administrative arrangements.

5. Both Governments agree to consult on any question arising in the implementation of this Agreement or in connexion with it. In particular

the Governments may call for consultation should there be any substantial and unforeseen changes pertinent to this Agreement in the pattern of trade in cotton yarn.

6. Prior to the termination of this Agreement the Governments shall consult together as appropriate on future arrangements.

If these proposals are acceptable to the Government of Israel this Note and your Note of acceptance on behalf of the Israel Government shall constitute an agreement between our Governments.

I have the honour to be, with the highest consideration,

Your Excellency's obedient Servant,
A. R. H. KELLAS.

No. 2

*The Minister for Foreign Affairs of Israel to Her Majesty's
Ambassador at Tel Aviv*

Sir,

15 September, 1964.

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your Note of today's date, stipulating as follows:

[As in No. 1]

In reply, I wish to inform you that the Government of Israel is in agreement with the foregoing proposals, and that your Note and this Note of acceptance shall constitute an agreement between our Governments.

GOLDA MEIR.

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