COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 2031/2002

of 15 November 2002

authorising transfers between the quantitative limits of textiles and clothing products originating in Macao

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 797/2002 [2], and in particular Article 7 thereof,

Whereas:

(1) Article 7 of the Agreement between the European Economic Community and Macao on trade in textile products, initialled on 19 July 1986 and approved by Council Decision 87/497/EEC [3], as last amended by an Agreement in the form of an Exchange of Letters, initialled on 22 December 1994 and approved by Council Decision 95/131/EC [4], provides that transfers may be agreed between categories and quota years.

(2) Macao submitted a request for transfers between quota years on 10 August 2002.

(3) The transfers requested by Macao fall within the limits of the flexibility provisions referred to in Article 7 of Regulation (EEC) No 3030/93 and set out in Annex VIII thereto.

(4) It is, therefore, appropriate to grant the request.

(5) 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.

(6) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Textile Committee set up by Article 17 of Regulation (EEC) No 3030/93,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Transfers between the quantitative limits for textile goods originating in Macao fixed by the Agreement between the European Community and Macao on trade in textile products are authorised for the quota year 2002 in accordance with the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following that of 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, 15 November 2002.

For the Commission
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Member of the Commission

[1] OJ L 275, 8.11.1993, p. 1.
[2] OJ L 128, 15.5.2002, p. 29.
[3] OJ L 287, 9.10.1987, p. 47.
[4] OJ L 94, 26.4.1995, p. 1.

ANNEX

743 MACAO						Adjustment — Advance Use from 2003 Exceptional flexibility			
Group	Category	Unit	Limit 2002	Normal flexibilities granted	Working level after adjustment	Quantity	%	Flexibility	Working level
IB	4	pcs	14 468 000	144 680	15 480 760	578 720	4,0	Transfer from year 2003	16 059 480
IB	5	pcs	13 514 000	135 140	13 538 931	540 560	4,0	Transfer from year 2003	14 079 491
IB	6	pcs	14 574 000	145 740	14 589 644	582 960	4,0	Transfer from year 2003	15 172 604
IB	7	pcs	5 679 000	56 790	5 859 260	227 160	4,0	Transfer from year 2003	6 086 420
IIB	13	pcs	8 769 000	87 690	9 733 587	87 690	1,0	Transfer from year 2003	9 821 277
IIB	31	pcs	9 676 000	96 760	10 450 072	387 040	4,0	Transfer from year 2003	10 837 112
IIB	83	kg	463 000	4 630	500 040	18 520	4,0	Transfer from year 2003	518 560