

Washington, D.C.
June 15, 2004

The Honorable Taïb Fassi Fihri
Minister Delegate for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation
Kingdom of Morocco

Dear Minister Fassi Fihri:

In connection with the signing on this date of the United States-Morocco Free Trade Agreement, I am pleased to set out the general framework of U.S. plans for providing technical assistance aimed at strengthening our countries' partnership in the textile sector.

The objectives of this assistance are to:

- (1) facilitate implementation of Chapter Four (Textiles and Apparel) of the Agreement;
- (2) enhance each country's understanding of the U.S. and Moroccan textile and apparel markets and participation in trade shows and fairs;
- (3) encourage Moroccan operators to consider U.S. suppliers for their sourcing needs;
- (4) promote the possibilities for an industrial, commercial, and technological partnership between U.S. and Moroccan operators in the textile sector.

I am receptive to your wishes and expectations for technical assistance, and hope that the activities outlined in this letter will help ensure that the United States and Morocco reap the full benefits of trade liberalization under the Free Trade Agreement.

Sincerely,

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for Europe and the Mediterranean