The following communication has been received by the Director-General from the Government of the State of Bahrain. In a further communication dated 15 December 1992 Bahrain has made it clear that it "wishes to become a party to the Protocol extending the MFA for 1993".

"I have the honour to advise you that the State of Bahrain wishes to become a party to the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles under Article 13.2 and to the current Protocol extending that instrument.

The Government of the State of Bahrain accepts without reservation the provisions of the Arrangement and the Protocol thereto, and likewise accepts all obligations under the Arrangement, including the commitment not to introduce new restrictions on the import of textile products nor intensify existing ones, to the extent that this would be inconsistent with the provisions of the General Agreement.

The Government of the State of Bahrain has taken note of the provisions of Article 2:1 of the Arrangement and in this respect confirms that upon becoming a party to the Arrangement it will notify in detail to the Textiles Surveillance Body all restrictions applied by it on imports of textiles and clothing covered by the Arrangement.

The State of Bahrain is a developing country. Its Government hopes that upon becoming a party to the Arrangement and the Protocol thereto, and in respect of matters covered by those instruments, it will be entitled to receive treatment equivalent to that accorded to other participating developing countries at a like level of economic development."