ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 11

Report on the Status of Restrictive Measures as requested by the TSB in accordance with Article 11

PHILIPPINES

Attached is a report received from the Philippines on the status of restrictions maintained by it on imports of textile products covered by the Arrangement as extended by the 1986 Protocol. This report has been submitted in response to the request made in 1989 under Article 11, paragraphs 11, 12 and 2 of the MFA.²

¹See COM.TEX/SB/1467
²The previous report is contained in COM.TEX/SB/1315/Add.21
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Letter from the Philippine Mission 5 February 1990

Dear Ambassador Raffaelli,

Further to my letter of 2 February 1990, I have the honour to inform you that, apart from tariffs, the Philippines does not impose restrictions on textile and clothing imports or any type of measure having a restrictive effect.

Manufacturers of garments who operate bonded manufacturing warehouses, or who are accredited as members of common bonded manufacturing warehouses, may import raw materials tax and duty free, upon prior approval by the Garments and Textiles Export Board (GTEB) and provided that the same should be re-exported within the prescribed period of twelve months (12).

With respect to our previous report, I also have the honour to inform you that the liberalization programme undertaken by the Philippines and announced in the Committee on Balance-of-Payments Restrictions has been completed.

I trust that submission of the information above fulfils my Government's obligation under Article 11 of the Arrangement.

Very truly yours,

J. Antonio S. Buencamino
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