The Textiles Surveillance Body received a notification from Canada of a restraint established with respect to imports of winter outerwear originating in the United Arab Emirates. The restraint became applicable for the period 25 January 1990 to 31 December 1991.

The notification was made in accordance with a request made by the Textiles Committee that participants notify actions taken against imports from non-participating countries.

The TSB agreed to forward the notification to participating countries for their information.
Letter from the Permanent Mission of Canada to the United Nations

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13 September 1990

Ambassador M. Raffaelli
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Textiles Surveillance Body
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Dear Ambassador Raffaelli,

Pursuant to Articles 7 and 8 of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles (hereinafter referred to as the MFA) done at Geneva on 20 December 1973, and to the Protocol extending the MFA done at Geneva on 31 July 1986, I have the honour to notify you that effective 25 January 1990 to 31 December 1991, imports into Canada of winter outwear originating in the United Arab Emirates are subject to import restraint. The restraint level for the period 25 January 1990 to 31 December 1990 is 125,014 units. The level for 1 January 1991 to 31 December 1991 is 95,000 units.

There had been a sharp and substantial increase in imports into Canada of winter outwear from the United Arab Emirates. These imports have reached such levels that they were causing, or threatening to cause, disruption in the Canadian market. These imports had also placed, or were threatening to place, in an inequitable position a number of suppliers with which Canada has concluded bilateral agreements under the Multi-Fibre Arrangement to limit their exports to Canada of the above noted products.

Yours sincerely,

John Gero
Counsellor