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REMOVAL OF DOLLAR DISCRIMINATION BY THE
FEDERATION OF RHODESIA AND NYASALAND

The following information has been supplied by the representative of the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland at the fifteenth session of the CONTRACTING PARTIES held in Tokyo.

The Minister of Commerce and Industry in the Federation of Rhodesia and Nyasaland announced in Parliament on 18 November that with effect from 27 November all of our balance-of-payments controls on the importation of goods from the dollar areas would be removed with the exception of the following eleven items:

Blankets and rugs
Clothing
Textile nets and netting
Tarpaulins
Canvas
Cotton piece-goods
Cutlery
Metal furniture
Radios and radiograms
Gramophones
Television sets

Moreover, licences will be freely issued to manufacturers in respect of cotton piece-goods still under restriction. The Minister further said that this small residue is being examined with a view to further action early next year.

This very substantial removal of restrictions on dollar area importations is the fourth such action undertaken by the Federation in the course of this calendar year and the second since convertibility.