ARTICLE XIX - ACTION BY NORWAY

Various Textile Items

Addendum

Extension of Action

The following communication, dated 25 March 1983, has been received from the Permanent Mission of Norway.

With reference to documents L/4692 of 24 July 1978, L/4692/Add.1 of 27 November 1978, L/4692/Add.3 of 5 October 1979, L/4692/Add.4 of 28 February 1980, L/4692/Add.5 of 21 November 1980, L/4692/Add.9 of 18 September 1981, L/4692/Add.10 of 2 April 1982 and L/4692/Add.12 of 5 August 1982 the Government of Norway hereby notifies the CONTRACTING PARTIES that the system of global import quotas on various textile items has been prolonged by half a year from 1 July to 31 December 1983.

The global quotas correspond to the quotas established in the first half of 1983, with the exception of the quota for outer garments of woven material for infants (previously quota No. 6), which will be subject to automatic licensing for surveillance purposes. In other respects the modalities regarding the global quota system and the principles of implementation remain unchanged.

The quotas for imports in the second half of 1983 are:

(1) knitted shirts, blouses and T-shirts 700,000 pieces

(2) knitted undergarments 2,200,000

(3) knitted jackets, jumpers, sweaters, cardigans and pullovers 2,020,000

(4) jackets of woven material including part of suits and sets 400,000

(5) trousers of woven material including part of suits and sets 850,000
The Government of Norway has the intention of acceding to the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles as extended by the Protocol of 22 December 1981, provided that satisfactory bilateral agreements can be obtained. The intention is to start negotiations on bilateral agreements by the end of April. Since it seems impossible, however, to enter into a bilateral system already in the second half of 1983, the prolongation of the global quotas has been made necessary.