ARTICLE XIX - ACTION BY NORWAY

Various Textile Items

Addendum

EXTENSION OF TIME-LIMIT

The following communication, dated 1 December 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, L/4692/Add.12 of 5 August 1982 and L/4692/Add.13 of 13 April 1983 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 January to 30 June 1984.

The global quotas correspond to the quotas established in the second half of 1983. The modalities regarding the global quota system and the principles of implementation remain unchanged.
The quotas for imports in the first half of 1984 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 "
(6) shirts of woven material 950,000 "
(7) blouses of woven material 660,000 "
(8) bed linen 160,000 kg.

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. Negotiations with important suppliers have been undertaken since April last, but have not yet been concluded. Since it seems impossible to enter into a bilateral system already in the first half of 1984, the prolongation of the global quotas has been made necessary.