INTERNATIONAL SURVEILLANCE

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1. A special working group of the Textiles Committee will be set up as an international supervisory body for trade in textiles.

2. The international supervisory body:

   (a) will prepare an annual report containing an analysis of the current state of world trade in textiles and will formulate opinions with a view to achieving progressive stabilization and liberalization in this field;

   (b) will examine individual cases at the request of an interested contracting party to the international Agreement, with a view to establishing their conformity with the multilateral Agreement and, if no solution is found by means of a consultation procedure, it will make recommendations on the matter.

3. The body may rely, for technical assistance, on the GATT secretariat. It may hear technical experts nominated by one or other of its members.

4. The annual report of the body will be submitted to the Textiles Committee which will send it, with a commentary, to the GATT Council. The recommendations of the body will be addressed to the parties directly concerned and sent for information to the Textiles Committee. Problems which persist between the interested parties may be brought either before the Textiles Committee or before the GATT Council, following the usual procedures of the General Agreement.

5. The body will be composed of a President and other members. Following a proposal by the Director-General of GATT, an independent personality shall be elected President by the Textiles Committee for a period of two years, this appointment being renewable.

   The composition of the Panel remains to be settled according to adequate formulae which will ensure that it performs effectively the tasks assigned to it in paragraph 2(a) and (b).