ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Report on Measure Reviewed under Article 3:5

United States/Turkey

Note by the Chairman

Attached is a report received from Turkey of its consultations with the United States with respect to Category 604 (acrylic yarn). The report has been made in accordance with the TSB's recommendation made at its meeting held on 25-27 February 1985.¹

¹See COM.TEX/SB/1044

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DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN,

In conformity with the request contained in the recommendation adopted by the Textiles Surveillance Body on 25 February 1985, I have the honour to inform you that renewed consultations have taken place between Turkey and the USA on the possible limitation of exports of acrylic yarn (category 604) from Turkey to the USA. These consultations were held in Ankara on 11–13 March 1985.

Unfortunately, it was not possible to reach an agreement during the course of the consultations. The US delegation offered a restraint level of 525,000 pounds. The Turkish delegation considered that in view of the TSB’s recommendation of 25 February 1985, and of the elements put forward by Turkey in its written and oral submissions to the TSB, such a proposal did not meet the expectations that Turkey had put in the consultations. The two sides therefore agreed to request the TSB to proceed to a detailed examination of the case. The Turkish Government believes that as a result of this examination the TSB should recommend to the USA the lifting of the unilateral restriction measure which at the moment limits

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the exports of acrylic yarn (category 604) to 476.014 pounds annually.

During the same consultations and at the request of the USA, the possibility of limiting exports of cotton sheeting (category 313) was also discussed by the two sides. No agreement was reached on this item, and they agreed to reexamine it on some future occasion.

Please accept, Mr. Chairman, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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