ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 11

MALAYSIA

Note by the Chairman

Attached is a communication received from Malaysia concerning its notification made under Article 11.
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Centre William Rappard,
154, rue de Lausanne,
1211 Geneva 10.

Dear Mrs Jenkins,

With reference to the submission made by my delegation vide its letter of 2nd December 1985, I hereby confirm that the restriction currently in effect on batik sarong is maintained under Article XVIII of GATT.

This information was given to you in 1984 in a letter dated 22nd May 1984, of which a copy is submitted herewith for your kind attention.

Hoping that this piece of information will clarify matters, I remain.

Yours faithfully,

(MUTALIB SHAFIE)
Minister Counsellor (Economic Affairs) for Permanent Representative
Permanent Mission of Malaysia to the U.N., Geneva

Dear Mr. Haron,

In fulfilling its obligations under Article 11 of the Arrangement, and in particular paragraphs 11 and 12 thereof, the Textiles Surveillance Body, at its meeting held on 16 and 17 April, decided to invite all participating countries to provide information under Article 11:11, 11:12 and 11:2 (see Annex) on restrictions introduced or maintained by them on textile products covered by the Arrangement, since their previous report.

You will recall that restrictions in 1982 and 1983, circulated to the Textiles Committee for confirmation, are contained in Annex 2a, WT/340/Add. 22 and COM/TEK/589/Add. 4.

Countries which have previously submitted reports in 1982, 1983 and/or 1984 are requested to update the information already provided, taking into account any new measures introduced, or any changes in the measures reported earlier.

The information which should be supplied relates to all unilateral quantitative restrictions, bilateral agreements and any other quantitative measures having a restrictive effect, whether they are taken under or outside the provisions of the MFA, vis-à-vis other participants or non-participants. In cases where restrictions are justified under provisions of the GATT, including its Annexes and Protocols, these should be notified for information purposes, with reference to the GATT Article or the Protocol under which they are justified.

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Permanent Mission of Malaysia to the
Office of the United Nations at Geneva
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The required information should be supplied according to the following tabular form:

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The information requested should be sent to the Textiles Surveillance Body by 15 July 1985.

Yours sincerely,

M. Raffaelli  
Chairman  
Textiles Surveillance Body
Article 11:11 reads as follows: "The Textiles Surveillance Body shall within fifteen months of the coming into force of this Arrangement, and at least annually thereafter, review all restrictions on textile products maintained by participating countries at the commencement of this Arrangement, and submit its findings to the Textiles Committee."

Article 11:12 reads as follows: "The Textiles Surveillance Body shall annually review all restrictions introduced or bilateral agreements entered into by participating countries concerning trade in textile products since the coming into force of this Arrangement, and required to be reported to it under the provisions of this Arrangement, and report annually its findings to the Textiles Committee."

Article 11:2 reads as follows: "The Textiles Surveillance Body shall be considered as a standing body and shall meet as necessary to carry out the functions required of it under this Arrangement. It shall rely on information to be supplied by the participating countries, supplemented by any necessary details and clarification it may decide to seek from them or from other sources. Further, it may rely for technical assistance on the services of the GATT secretariat and may also hear technical experts proposed by one or more of its members."
Director-General,
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154, rue de Lausanne,
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Updating of information pertaining to restrictions introduced or maintained by MFA participating countries

With reference to your letter reference no. TS/140/1 dated 8 February, 1984, I have the honour to submit the information as appended regarding the total ban on the importation of batik sarong (CCCN.No. 61.02.283, 61.02.383, 61.02.483 and 61.02.983) into Malaysia which was effected on 18 March, 1984. The restriction was to cover a period of 2 years. This measure, however, is currently under review.

2. Apart from this measure, Malaysia does not maintain any other restrictions in the import of textiles and clothing.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

(Mohd. Zain Mohd. Dom)
for Permanent Mission of Malaysia.
**Restriction Introduced or Maintained by Malaysia on textiles products covered by the Arrangement**

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