ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Report on the Status of Restrictive Measures as Requested by the TSB in Accordance with Article 11

Mexico

Note by the Chairman

Further to the notification made by Mexico under Article 11 concerning the status of its restrictions on trade in textiles, Mexico has submitted the attached communication following its accession to GATT.²

The TSB had deferred its review of the notification made by Mexico (TEX.SB/1191), awaiting the results of the negotiations which led to Mexico's accession to GATT.

* English only/Anglais seulement/Inglés solamente

¹ See COM.TEX/SB/1067, paragraph 28.
² The previous report by Mexico is contained in COM.TEX/SB/965/Add.15.
November 13, 1986.

Mr. M. Raffaelli  
Chairman  
Textiles Surveillance Body  
General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade  
Centre William Rappard  
154, Rue de Lausanne  
1211 Geneva 21.

Dear M. Raffaelli,

I am writing with reference to our notification concerning some restrictions on trade in textiles and clothing.

As you know Mexico has just finished its process of accession to the GATT. As a contracting party Mexico engaged, concerning import permits and quotas, as it is contained in document L/6010 on the Report of the Working Party on the Accession on Mexico to:

"...in conformity with its policy of gradual substitution of tariff protection for prior permits, Mexico will continue to eliminate prior import permits to the fullest extent possible. Residual quantitative restrictions and import permit requirements will be notified and justified in accordance with relevant provisions of the General Agreement, in particular Articles XI, XII, XVIII, XIX, XX, and XXI. ... Mexico will ensure that residual quantitative restrictions and import permit requirements are applied in a manner consistent with Article XIII of the General Agreement and shall apply all restrictions in accordance with the principle of non-discrimination."

Sincerely yours,

Victor Alfaro,  
Counsellor.  
Mission of Mexico.