GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

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Textiles Surveillance Body

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Report on Matters Reviewed Under Article 3:5 and 11:4

United States/Thailand

Note by the Chairman

Attached is the report received from the United States with respect to the findings and recommendations of the TSB made in March 1990 on matters concerning Categories 300, 314, 614, 341/641, 345 and 847 when imported from Thailand.

1 The TSB recommendation is contained in COM.TEX/SB/1531

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May 29, 1990

The Honorable
Ambassador Marcelo Raffaelli
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Dear Ambassador Raffaelli:

This will confirm my earlier oral and written reports that, with respect to the findings and recommendations of the TSB at its March meeting, the U.S. allowed the restraint on one category (341/641) to lapse on March 30, and rescinded the restraint on category 847. The U.S. also dropped the call on category 345, for which the TSB had found market disruption, because of subsequent changes in the market situation for that category.

As explained in my letter of May 2 the U.S. was not able to accept the TSB's recommendation to terminate the restraint on category 336/636.

With respect to the recommendations that the two parties consult further on categories 300 part, 314, and 614, consultations were held on these and other items in Geneva on May 24 and 25. The parties did not reach agreement on any of the three.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Shepherd
Minister Counsellor