ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 11:4 and 11:5

Brazil/United States

Note by the Chairman

Attached is a notification received from Brazil under Article 11:4 and 11:5, for referring the establishment of a restraint by the United States under their bilateral agreement\(^1\) on cotton and man-made fibre pyjamas and other nightwear (Categories 351 and 651).

\(^1\)The bilateral agreement is contained in COM.TEX/SB/1453.

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Mission permanente du Brésil auprès des Nations Unies à Genève

No. 59 Geneva, 19 September 1990

Dear Ambassador,

1. Pursuant to the provisions of Article 11:4 and 11:5 of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles, I am instructed by my Government to request the Textile Surveillance Body to review, at the earliest possible date, an action taken by the United States concerning Categories 351 and 651 (cotton and man-made fiber pyjamas and other nightwear).

2. On February 22, 1990, the Government of the United States and the Federative Republic of Brazil, on the basis of paragraph 9 of the bilateral agreement, held a consultation in Washington to discuss a level of restraint for Brazil’s exports of Categories 351 and 651. The consultation did not allow for a mutually satisfactory solution. In view of the impossibility of reaching an agreement regarding the matter, on June 13, 1990 and unilateral quota was imposed on Brazil’s exports of the above-mentioned categories.

3. As the situation created by the failure to reach agreement through consultations and the consequent imposition of unilateral quota by the United States is still unchanged, we hereby request the TSB to review the case and make an appropriate recommendation. At the time the matter is considered by the Body, the Brazilian delegation will submit a detailed explanation of its Government’s position on the issue.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurance of my highest consideration.

(Signed): Rubens Ricupero
Ambassador
Permanent Representative of Brazil

H.E. Ambassador Marcelo Raffaelli
Chairman of the Textiles Surveillance Body
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Geneva