ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Information received from Colombia, India, Macao, Pakistan, the Philippines, Spain and the European Communities

Note by the Chairman

Attached herewith are copies of the replies addressed to me pursuant to my letters of 23 November 1977, regarding the notifications received by the TSB from the European Communities concerning the measures taken by them on certain textile imports from the above countries.

ARRANGEMENT CONCERNANT LE COMMERCE INTERNATIONAL DES TEXTILES

Renseignements communiqués par la Colombie, l'Espagne, l'Inde, Macao, Pakistan, les Philippines et les Communautés européennes

Note du Président

On trouvera ci-joint le texte des réponses à mes lettres du 23 novembre 1977, au sujet des notifications que l'OST a reçues des Communautés européennes en ce qui concerne les mesures qu'elles ont prises à l'importation de certains textiles en provenance des pays susmentionnés.
N° DECO 334  
Brussels, 2th december 1977.

Mr. P. Wurth  
Chairman  
Textile Surveillance Body  

Dear Mr. Chairman:

I refer to your letter of November 30th.

I have now received clear instructions from my Government to the effect that there is no point at this late date in presenting our case before the TSB and that consequently my Government wishes that no action at all be taken on our behalf.

Thanking you for your interest and diligence.

I remain, Mr. Chairman,

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

LUIS ROBLEDO  
Ambassador
Dear Ambassador Wurth,

I acknowledge receipt of your letter No. TS/140-3 dated 23rd November, 1977, transmitting notifications received by the TSB from the European Economic Communities concerning measures taken by them under paragraph 6 and 5 of Article 3 regarding certain textile imports from India.

2. We are considering the matter and would revert to the subject shortly. Meanwhile, we would wish the TSB to defer the examination of the relevant notifications.

Yours sincerely,

(Prem Kumar)

Ambassador P. Wurth,
Chairman,
Textiles Surveillance Body,
GATT Secretariat,
Geneva.
2nd December 1977

Dear Mr. Chairman,

I refer to your letter TS/140-3 of 30th November informing me that the TSB will meet from the 7th to the 9th of this month and that at such meeting the TSB will conduct the examination of the measures taken by the European Communities with respect to certain textile imports from Macao.

As referred to you by Mr. Oliveira Nunes, the negotiations between Macao and the European Communities are still going on and a new round of talks will take place within a few days.

Taking this into consideration, the competent authorities of Macao would much appreciate if the TSB could postpone their examination of the matter until the conclusion of such negotiations.

I remain, dear Mr. Chairman,

Yours sincerely,

Adriano de Carvalho
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

H.E. Mr. P. Wurth
Ambassador
Chairman
Textiles Surveillance Body
GENEVA
9 December 1977

My dear Ambassador  

Please refer to your letter of 23 November 1977 in regard to the notifications by the EEC of their unilateral restraints against the export of certain textile goods from Pakistan. This is to confirm that the Government of Pakistan agree that the consideration of the notifications in question may be deferred for the time being.

With choicest wishes,

Yours sincerely,

(Mohammed Yunus)

Mr. P. Wurth,
Chairman, Textiles Surveillance Body,
GATT Secretariat,
Rue des Lausanne,
GENEVA.
6 December 1977

Dear Mr. Chairman:

With reference to your letter of 23 November concerning notification received by the Textiles Surveillance Body from the European Economic Communities regarding measures taken by them with respect to certain textiles imports from the Philippines, I have the honor to inform you that the Philippine Government wishes to have the examination deferred pending outcome of the negotiations in Brussels between the Philippines and the European Economic Communities.

Sincerely,

For the Charge d'Affaires a.i.:

CARLOS S. GARRIDO
Finance Attache

Ambassador P. Wurth
Chairman
Textiles Surveillance Body
GATT, rue de Lausanne 154
1211 Geneve 21
Dear Mr. Chairman,

I refer to your letter of 23 November (reference TS/140-3) on consideration by the Textiles Surveillance Body of the measures taken by the Community regarding imports from Spain of cotton woven fabrics and similar articles.

In reply, I have the honour to advise you that for the moment it is our expectation that these measures can be examined in the negotiations that are taking place with the authorities of the European Economic Community.

In due course, I shall inform you of the definitive position taken by the Spanish Government in this respect.

Yours faithfully,

(Signed) Fernando Benito
Ambassador
Permanent Representative
Sir,

I have the honour to refer to your letter of 23 November with regard to the notifications of the Community concerning measures relating to imports of textiles from Spain.

My authorities have informed me that the Community is prepared to appear before the Surveillance Body in accordance with the provisions of the Multi-fibre Arrangement if Spain so wishes. The Community would, however, prefer postponement of that procedure pending the conclusion of the negotiations now in progress at Brussels.

Accept, Sir, etc.

P. LUYTEN
Head of the Permanent Mission

Mr. P. Wurth,
Chairman of the Textiles Surveillance Body.
Commission of the European Communities  
Permanent Mission to the International Organizations at Geneva  

Geneva, 30 November 1977  

Sir,  

I have the honour to refer to your letter of 23 November with regard to the notifications of the Community concerning measures relating to imports of textiles from Colombia, Egypt, India, Macao, Pakistan and the Philippines.  

My authorities have informed me that the Community is prepared to appear before the Surveillance Body in accordance with the provisions of the Multi-fibre Arrangement if our partners so wish. The Community would, however, prefer postponement of that procedure pending the conclusion of the negotiations with our partners now in progress at Brussels.  

Accept, Sir, etc,  

P. LUYTEN  
Head of the Permanent Mission  

Mr. P. Wurth,  
Chairman,  
Textiles Surveillance Body.