Textiles Surveillance Body

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

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

Note by the Chairman

The TSB has received from Brazil a report on the present status of restrictions maintained by Brazil. This report, which is attached hereto, has been submitted in accordance with Article 11, paragraph 11 of the Arrangement.

1See COM.TEX/SB/457, paragraph 8.
2For previous submission see COM.TEX/SB/343.

ARRANGEMENT CONCERNANT LE COMMERCE INTERNATIONAL DES TEXTILES

Rapport sur la situation des restrictions demandé par l'OST1 conformément à l'article 11, paragraphe 11

Note du Président

L'OST a reçu du Brésil un rapport sur la situation actuelle des restrictions qu'applique ce pays. Ce rapport, qui est joint au présent document, a été présenté conformément à l'article 11, paragraphe 11, de l'Arrangement.2

1Voir le document COM.TEX/SB/457, paragraphe 8.
2Pour le rapport précédent, voir le document COM.TEX/SB/343.

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Mr. P. Wurth
Chairman of the Textiles Surveillance Body
GATT

Dear Mr. Wurth,

Upon instructions of my Government, and with reference to my letter n° 132, dated July 16, 1979, I can inform you that, besides the usual tariff rates, the only restrictions presently applied to imports of, inter alia, textiles products imported by Brazil are those which aim at redressing the Brazilian balance-of-payments difficulties, and which, as such, have already been examined by the competent body of the GATT.

2. Such restrictions, which are of a temporary and non-discriminatory nature, appear in the following Brazilian legal instruments:

(a) Communication n° 79/3 of the CACEX, that lists, in its attachment C, the merchandises for which the issuance of "guias de importação" is suspended;

(b) Resolution n° 508 of the Brazilian Central Bank, containing the decision taken by the Brazilian Government to reduce, as from January 25, 1979 and until its definitive elimination in July 6, 1983, through a linear reduction of 10% each semester, the amount of the prior deposit required for the issuance of "guias de importação"; and
(c) Decree-law nº 1685/79, which extended, up to June 30, 1980, the terms of Decrees-law nº 1334/74, 1364/74 and 1421/75, relating to the surtaxes added to the import taxes.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

(Paulo Roberto Barthel-Rosa)
Counsellor