ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Report on the Status of Restrictive Measures
as requested by the TSB in accordance with Article 11–

Note by the Chairman

Attached is a report received by the Textiles Surveillance Body from Hungary concerning the present status of its restrictions on trade in textiles and clothing. This report has been submitted in accordance with Article 11 of the Arrangement, and in particular paragraphs 11, 12 and 2 thereof.

1/ See COM.TEX/SB/783, paragraph 11

2/ The previous report by Hungary is contained in COM.TEX/SB/733/Add.10. The TSB's observations on restrictions maintained by participating countries in 1981 are contained in its annual report to the Textiles Committee (COM.TEX/SB/742 and Add.1).

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Geneva, 8th September, 1982
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Mr. M. Raffaelli
Chairman of the Textiles Surveillance Body
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Geneva

Dear Mr. Raffaelli,

With reference to your letter No. TS/140-1, dated 23rd July, 1982 and to documents COM.TEX/SB/605/Add. 8 and COM.TEX/SB/733/Add.10, I have the honour to inform you that, concerning bilateral quotas existing in Hungary in the textile sphere, the present situation is the following:

As far as Norway is concerned, there is no change. Bilateral quotas in textile imports are based upon the annual protocols of long-term bilateral trade agreements. There were no Hungarian imports in textiles from Norway in 1981. The nature of these quotas is the same as stated in document COM.TEX/SB/733/Add. 10, i.e., the quotas are of indicative and not of restrictive character, thus they are not inconsistent with the MFA.

The long-term trade agreement between Hungary and Sweden of 5th December, 1973 had expired and the new agreement which came into effect on 23rd February, 1982, contains no quotas /see document L/5318/.

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You are requested to kindly circulate the above information.

Sincerely yours,

/ Ferenc Fürulyás /

Resident Representative of Hungary to the GATT