Arrangement regarding international trade in textiles

Notification under Article 4:4

Agreement between Austria and Brazil

Note by the Chairman

Attached is a notification received from Austria concerning a revision of the bilateral agreement between Austria and Brazil notified to the TSB in document TEX.SB/799.

*English only/Anglais seulement.
Sir,

Following the notification No. 987-G/83 of 23 November 1982, I have the honour to transmit to you the copy of the note dated 6 July 1983, addressed to H.E. Mr. Geraldo Eulalio do Nascimento e Silva, Ambassador of Brazil in Vienna, concerning a change of the bilateral agreement between Austria and Brazil of October 1982. Brazil has agreed to these changes.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to the exchange of notes between Austria and Brazil effected on October 27, 1982 and October 28, 1982 under Article 3 of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles, as extended (hereinafter referred to as the MFA).

I further wish to refer to consultations which took place between Austria and Brazil from February to July 1983. As a result of those consultations I should like to propose the following modifications of the above mentioned exchange of notes between Austria and Brazil:

1. In the second paragraph of the Preamble to the Austrian note the reference to Article 3 of the MFA should be deleted and replaced by a reference to Article 4 of the MFA.

2. In paragraph (2) of the Austrian note before the last sentence the following text should be inserted:

"The base level for a category during any agreement year can be exceeded, after notification by Brazil to Austria, up to 5% of such level by utilization of swing from the base level of the other category for the relevant agreement year, provided that a corresponding reduction is applied to the base level of the other product."

At the end of para (8) the following subparagraph should be added:

"Both parties agree to hold consultations after the expiration of three years of the life time of the agreement in order to consider which eventual modifications of the agreement..."
might be necessary in the light of the development occurred in the meantime"

I should be grateful if you could kindly confirm that this letter sets out correctly the understanding reached between our countries.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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