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ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Report on Article 3:5 Action

United States/Turkey

Note by the Chairman

Attached is the report received from Turkey, in accordance with the TSB's recommendation made at its meeting held on 16-18 July 1984¹, regarding unilateral restraints on imports of men's and boys'² cotton knit shirts (Category 338) from Turkey into the United States.

¹ COM.TEX/SB/982

² For previous documentation see TEX.SB/949 and Add.1, and TEX.SB/1005 and Add.1

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Geneva, 21 September 1984

Dear Mr. Ambassador,

I have the honour to refer to the recommendation adopted by the TSB at its meeting of 18 July 1984, whereby Turkey and the United States were asked to hold further negotiations on the US request to restrain Turkish exports of products in category 338 and to report back to the TSB by September 30, 1984.

You are aware that in the meantime Turkey has been included among the countries affected by the petition to impose counter-vailing duties on their textile exports to the US. The petition covers a list of 220 tariff positions, within which category 338 is included. The Turkish authorities therefore feel that negotiations on the possible limitation of exports of category 338, cannot be conducted meaningfully until a final decision has been reached on the petition.

Moreover, the Turkish authorities wish to confirm the information already submitted at the said meeting of the TSB, namely that there has been a substantial reduction in exports to the US of products contained in category 338. In the course

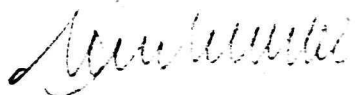
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of the first 6 months of 1984, only 18.9 % of the quota allocated by the US under their bilateral restriction measure (264.020 dozens) has been filled. Whereas exports of that category in the first 6 months of 1983 had reached 88.819 dozens, the figure for the first 6 months of 1984 came to only 49.930 dozens. The same authorities therefore consider that the US should lift its unilateral restriction measure.

Please accept, Dear Mr. Ambassador, the assurances of my highest consideration.



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