## GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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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

Note by the Chairman

BRAZIL

Attached is a report received by the Textiles Surveillance Body from Brazil 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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>See COM.TEX/SB/921, paragraph 23

The previous report by Brazil is contained in COM.TEX/SB/899/Add.4

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H.E. Ambassador Marcelo Raffaelli, Chairman of the Textiles Surveillance Body, GATT

Sir,

In compliance with Article 11 of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles, in particular paragraphs 11, 12 and 2 thereof, I have the honour to inform the Textiles Surveillance Body that the information on restrictive measures in force in Brazil for the imports, inter alia, of textile and clothing products, as previously notified on 6 September 1983 (COM.TEX/SB/899/Add.4), should be updated as follows, in the light of liberalizing steps recently adopted by the Government:

- 1) suspension of the issuance of import licences products covered by this measure are described in CACEX Communiqué no 105, of 20 September 1984; it should be noted that the number of Chapters of the Brazilian Tariff Nomenclature regarding textiles and clothing affected by such suspension has been reduced from fourteen to eight;
- 2) import surcharges Resolution no 00-0679, of 12 September 1984, of the Customs Policy Council abolished the said surcharges;

in certain cases, as listed in the Annex to that Resolution, the surcharge was incorporated, after substantial reduction, into the ad valorem duty to which it referred.

The above updating has been duly notified to the GATT Secretariat for information of the contracting parties, pursuant to paragraph 3 of the Declaration on Trade Measures taken for Balance of Payments purposes, and officially circulated in document L/5726 (restricted) of 13 November 1984. Like the ones they modified or replaced, as the case may be, the current restrictions are of a temporary and non-discriminatory nature, have been adopted to reduce balance of payments disequilibria and have been accordingly examined in the GATT.

Please accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

(João Gualberto Marques Porto) Counsellor of Embassy