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### TARIFFS AND TRADE

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Textiles Surveillance Body

#### ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Report related to measures reviewed under Article 3:5

Canada/Brazil

Note by the Chairman

Attached is a report received from Canada on consultations held with  ${\tt Brazil}$  as recommended by the  ${\tt TSB}^{\rm I}$  .

COM.TEX/SB/1407. See also TEX.SB/W/488.

<sup>\*</sup>English only/Anglais seulement/Inglés solamente

## The Permanent Mission of Canada to the United Rations



### La Mission Permanente du Canada auprès des Nations Unies

Geneva, September 15, 1988

H.E. Mr. Marcelo Raffaelli Chairman Textiles Surveillance Body General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade Centre William Rappard Rue de Lausanne, 154 1211 Geneva 21

Dear Ambassador Raffaelli:

You will recall that at its meeting of June 20-23 the TSB reviewed actions by Canada regarding certain textile exports from Brazil. At that time, the TSB recommended (COM.TEX/SB/1407) that further consultations be held between the two parties as soon as possible, that the parties take into account all the relevant provisions of the MFA, including paragraph III of Annex A, and that they report back to the TSB on the results before the TSB meeting of September 21-23.

As a result of the TSB's recommendations, the Canadian Government rescinded the quota on imports from Brazil of terry towels, washcloths and sets. This action was notified to the Government of Brazil on July 12, at which time, the Canadian authorities confirmed "their readiness to resume discussions as soon as possible" at the convenience of the Brazilian authorities. This action was also communicated to the TSB.

I wish to inform you that such consultations took place in Ottawa on July 25-26. The two sides discussed a number of proposals. Unfortunately, despite the best efforts of both sides, no agreement was reached.

Yours sincerely,

John Gero Counsellor