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Textiles Surveillance Body

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Report on Measures Reviewed under Article 3:5 and Matters Referred under Article 11:4

United States/Thailand

Note by the Chairman

Attached is the report received from the United States on its consultations with Thailand, held in January 1990 in accordance with the TSB recommendation made in October 1989.

¹See COM.TEX/SB/1523

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February 8, 1990

The Honorable
Ambassador Marcelo Raffaelli
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Dear Ambassador Raffaelli:

I have been asked to submit the following report to the Textiles Surveillance Body in response to the recommendation made during its October 10-12 meeting last year.

Formal consultations were held by U.S. and Thai delegations in Washington, D.C., January 16-18, 1990. These consultations had been preceded by a continuing exchange of views via diplomatic channels, beginning directly after the October meeting of the TSB.

As result of these consultations, the Thai accepted the levels of restraint for two categories: Category 638/639 which had been restrained under Article 3:5, and Category 647/648 which had been called by the U.S. under Article 3:3. In all other cases where restraints were still in force, the Thai declined to accept that the U.S. had made the case for market disruption.

The Thai had also earlier declined a request by the U.S. to extend the restraint on Category 345, as well as a request at the end of the January consultations to extend the restraint on Category 301/607 part.

With respect to Category 628 referred by Thailand under Article 11:4, the U.S. informed the Thai that the U.S. would not impose a restraint on this category and would allow the call to lapse on 31 March.

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Following is a list providing the current status of each of the 13 categories reviewed by the TSB at its meeting of October 10-11, plus five additional calls made after the October TSB meeting and covered during the January consultations.

Category

Status

Reviewed by TSB in May and October 1989

| 345 | Expired 12/31/89. U.S. request for extension not accepted by Thailand. |
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| 363 | Expired 12/31/89. Extension not requested. |
| 369D | Expired 12/31/89. Extension not requested. |
| 301Pt/607Pt | Restraint in force through 1/30/90 - U.S. request for extension not accepted by Thailand. |

Reviewed by TSB in October 1989

| 347/348 | Expired 12/31/89. Extension not requested. | | | | | |
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| 341/641 | Restraint in effect through 3/30/90. | | | | | |
| 448 | Expired 12/31/89. Extension not requested. | | | | | |
| 638/639 | Restraint level through 3/30/90 accepted by Thailand. | | | | | |
| 847 | Restraint in effect through 5/25/90. | | | | | |
| 313 | Restraint in effect through 3/30/90. | | | | | |

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Status

Restraint in effect through 3/30/90.

Expired 12/31/89.

628 Call made on 3/31/89. Restraint will not be imposed and U.S. will not seek extension.

Not Yet Reviewed by the TSB

not imposed.

Call made on 10/30/89. Restraint will be imposed.

Call made on 10/31/89. Restraint will be imposed.

Call made on 10/31/89. Restraint will be imposed.

Call made on 10/31/89. Restraint

level through 10/30/90 accepted by Thailand.

Call made on 12/29/89. Restraint

Call made on 10/30/89. Restraint will be imposed.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Shepherd Minister Counsellor