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Textiles Surveillance Body

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 11

Report on the Status of Restrictive Measures as requested by the TSB in accordance with Article 11

UNITED STATES

Attached is a report received from the United States on the status of restrictions maintained by it on imports of textile products covered by the Arrangement as extended by the 1986 Protocol. This report has been submitted in accordance with Article 11, paragraphs 11, 12 and 2 of the MFA.

See COM.TEX/SB/1542.

The previous report is contained in COM.TEX/SB/1489/Add.19.

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August 20, 1990

The Honorable Ambassador Marcelo Raffaelli Chairman, Textiles Surveillance Body GATT Rue De Lausanne 154 1211 Geneva

Dear Ambassador Raffaelli:

This responds to your letter requesting information, pursuant to Article 11 of the MFA, on restrictions maintained on trade in textiles by the Government of the United States.

As of July 31, 1990, the United States had negotiated restrictions on textile products with 39 countries, and was maintaining unilateral restraints on products with Thailand, the United Arab Emirates and Figi.

Enclosed is a table outlining the status of the various agreements as of July 31, 1990. In some cases, agreements have been initiated, but formal notes have not been exchanged.

More detailed information will, as necessary to update the TSB's report, be provided separately.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Shepherd Minister Counsellor

Enclosure

TABLE I

July 30, 1990

U.S. BILATERAL TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

COUNTRY	FIBER COVERAGE	TYPE	EXPIRY DATE
1. Argentina	W	Article 4 selective	3/31/92
2. Bangladesh	C, MMF, N /FN1	Article 4 selective	1/31/93 FN2
3. Brazil*	C, W, MMF	Article 4 comprehensive/FN3	3/31/92
4. Burma	C, MMF, N	Selective	12/31/90
5. China*	C,W,MMF,N	Article 4 comprehensive	12/31/91
6. Costa Rica	(a) C,MMF (b) GAL	Article 4 selective/FN2/FN4	5/31/92
7. Czechoslovakia	(a) W,MMF	Article 4 selective	5/31/92
8. Dominican Republic	(a) C,MMF (b) GAL	Article 4 selective	5/31/92
9. Egypt	(a) Cotton	Article 4 selective/	12/31/91
	(b) C,W,MMF	consultation	
10. El Salvador	С	Selective/FN4	12/31/92

COUNTRY	FIBER COVERAGE	TYPE	EXPIRY DATE
ll. Germany, East	W	Selective	12/31/90
12.Guatemala	С	Article 4 selective/FN4	12/31/92
13. Haiti	(a) MMF (b) GAL	Selective/FN4	12/31/93
14. Hong Kong*	C, W, MMF,	Article 4 comprehensive	12/31/91
15. Hungary	C,W,MMF	Article 4 selective	12/31/91
16. India*	C, W, MMF, N (Apparel)	Article 4 comprehensive	12/31/91
17. Indonesia*	C,W,MMF N	Article 4 comprehensive	6/30/92
18. Jamaica	(a) C,W,MMF(b) GAL	Article 4 comprehensive	12/31/92
19. Japan	C, W, MMF	Article 4 comprehensive/FN4	12/31/91
20. Korea*	C, W, MMF,	Article 4 comprehensive	12/31/91
21. Macau*	C, W, MMF,	Article 4 comprehensive	12/31/91
22. Malaysia*	C, W, MMF,	Article 4 comprehensive	12/31/91
23. Mauritius	C,W,MMF,N	Selective	9/30/90
24. Mexico	C,W,MMF	Article 4 selective	12/31/91

COUNTRY	FIBER COVERAGE	TYPE	EXPIRY DATE
25. Nepal	С	Selective	12/31/93
26. Pakistan*	C, MMF, N (Apparel)	Article 4 selective	12/31/91
27. Peru	C, W, MMF	Article 4 comprehensive	12/31/91
28. Philippines*	C, W, MMF N (Apparel)	Article 4 comprehensive	12/31/91
29. Poland*	C, W, MMF	Article 4 comprehensive	12/31/92
30. Singapore*	C, W, MMF	Article 4 comprehensive	12/31/90
31. Soviet Union	С	Article 4 selective	12/31/92
32. Sri Lanka	C,W,MMF,N	Article 4 comprehensive	6/30/92
33. Taiwan*	C, W, MMF,	Comprehensive	12/31/95
34. Trinidad & Tobago	(a) C,MMF (b) GAL	Selective	12/31/90

COUNTRY	FIBER COVERAGE	TYPE	EXPIRY DATE
35. Turkey	C, MMF	Article 4 selective/FN4	6/30/91
36. United Arab Emirates	C, MMF	selective	12/31/91
37. Uruguay	C, W	Article 4 selective/FN2	6/30/91
39. Yugoslavia	C,W, MMF	Article 4 selective	12/31/92

^{*} Indicates Aggregate Limit or De Facto Equivalent.

[/]l/ C=Cotton; W=Wool; MMF=Man-made fiber; N=New MFA fibers (<u>i.e.</u> vegetable fibers other than cotton and silk blends); GAL=Guaranteed Access Levels Under CBI Special Access Program.

^{/2/} Some restraints expire on a different date; Date given is the latest date a restraint expires.

^{/3/} Article 4, Comprehensive: Several of the bilateral agreements identified here as "Comprehensive" have only a few specific limits, but they do all have some type of consultation mechanism covering product categories of the fibers concerned.

^{/4/} Formal exchange of notes not yet completed.