

# GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

## TARIFFS AND TRADE

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8 October 1992

Textiles Surveillance Body

### ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

#### Notification under Article 11:5

Brazil/United States

Note by the Chairman

Attached is a notification received under Article 11:5 from Brazil requesting the TSB to revert to the matter concerning restrictions introduced by the United States on imports of men's and boys' suits (Category 443) from Brazil. This request has been made after both Brazil and the United States had reported that the consultations recommended by the TSB had not resulted in any agreed solution.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup>See COM.TEX/SB/1797 and 1804.

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Ambassador Marcelo Raffaelli  
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Dear Ambassador Raffaelli,

I refer to Brazil's written communication to the Textiles Surveillance Body, dated 14 September 1992, and to additional information transmitted after that date to the TSB by Brazil and the United States on the bilateral consultations on the restrictions imposed by the United States on imports from Brazil in category 443 (men's and boys' wool suits).


2. Further to that information, I have been instructed by my Government to transmit to you Brazil's request that the TSB, after its examination of the matter on 31 July 1992, revert to it at the earliest possible date under Article 11.5 of the Multifibre Arrangement, as problems continue to exist between the parties. Brazil considers that the United States has failed to abide by the

provision of Article 11.8 of the MFA when it did not endeavour to accept in full the recommendation by the TSB, reached at its meeting of 31 July 1992, that parties seek to find a mutually acceptable solution in resumed consultations, keeping in mind the need for Brazil to be treated with equity in relation to other suppliers of category 443 products into the US market.

3. Brazil continues to consider that the application of restraints by the United States in category 443 on Brazilian exports, while the Government of the United States increases imports from other sources, is unfair, discriminatory and highly detrimental to its interests.

4. A Brazilian representative will be assigned to be present at the meeting in which this matter may be considered and will submit further detailed explanation of its position.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to you, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

  
(ALMIR FRANCO DE SÁ BARBUDA)  
Deputy Permanent Representative of Brazil  
Chargé d'Affaires a.i.