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Textiles Surveillance Body

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Matter referred under Articles 8:4 and 11:5

Pakistan/United States

Note by the Chairman

Attached is a communication received from Pakistan referring under Articles 8:4 and 11:5 to charges made by the United States against Pakistan's 1992 quotas on Categories 360 and 361 on account of alleged circumvention through transshipment.

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22 January 1993

Ambassador Marcelo Raffaelli,
Chairman.
Textiles Surveillance Body,
General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade,
Geneva.

Dear Ambassador Raffaelli,

On 30th of July, 1992, the United States Government - notified in its Federal Register charges made to Pakistan's quotas for 1992 in respect of categories 360 (cotton pillow cases) and 361 (cotton sheets) on account of alleged circumvention through trans-shipment. The charges amounted to 189,620 units for category 360, and 1,121,645 units for category 361.

2. During consultations held between the two governments, no mutually satisfactory solution could be reached. Even so, the U.S. affected the aforesaid charges amounting to very large percentages of Pakistan's quotas for 1992.

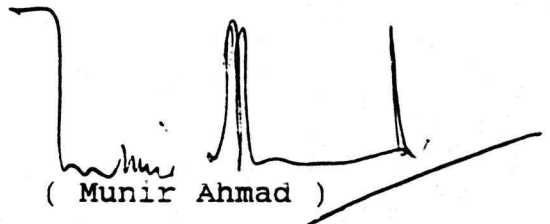
3. Pakistan considers that the measures taken by the United States, unilaterally, are detrimental to Pakistan's interest and are contrary to the provisions of the MFA. Therefore, pursuant to Articles 8:4 and 11:5 of the MFA, Pakistan requests that the TSB examine the matter and recommend to the United States Government to withdraw the charges immediately.

4. Since, due to the U.S. measures, Pakistan's exports have been severely disrupted resulting in hardship to bonafide exporters/importers, and have created genuine difficulties in export control management by Pakistan authorities, the TSB may please examine the matter as soon as possible.

5. Please accept, Ambassador Raffaelli, the assurances of my highest consideration.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,



(Munir Ahmad)