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Textiles Surveillance Body

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Rescission of restraint established by
the United States on imports from Brazil

Note by the Chairman

Further to the information provided by the United States and Brazil to the TSB in May 1993,¹ the attached notification from the United States confirms, that after consultations with Brazil, the restraint on men's and boys' wool suits (Category 443) was rescinded with effect from 2 June 1993.² The restraint had been subject to review by the TSB under Article 11:5.²

¹ COM.TEX/SB/1857.

² COM.TEX/SB/1797, 1804, 1808 and 1815.

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UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

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July 2, 1993

The Honorable
Ambassador Marcelo Raffaelli
Chairman, Textiles Surveillance Body
GATT
154 rue de Lausanne
1211 Geneva

Dear Ambassador Raffaelli:

Pursuant to the report from the United States and Brazil to the fourth meeting of the Textiles Surveillance Body, attached hereto are copies of the exchange of letters between representatives of the United States and Brazil concerning the decision of the United States to revoke the restraint on men's and boys' wool suits (Category 443) in respect of Brazil. A copy of the Federal Register notice effecting this decision is also attached.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert Shepherd".

Robert Shepherd
Minister Counsellor



UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

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May 12, 1993

Mr. Jose Alfredo Graca Lima
Deputy Permanent Representative
Mission of Brazil
Rue Antoine-Carteret 33
1202 Geneva

Dear Mr. Graca Lima:

This confirms that, as discussed in the recent consultations between us, my government has decided that, in view of the current situation with respect to imports into the United States of men's and boys' wool suits, the United States will revoke the existing restraint for category 443 in respect of Brazil.

This action is being undertaken on the understanding that it is without prejudice to either party's positions with respect to questions addressed by the Textiles Surveillance Body in its consideration of this issue, or the rights and obligations of either party under the MFA and the US/Brazil bilateral agreement.

Sincerely,

Robert Shepherd
Minister Counsellor

*Mission permanente du Brésil
auprès des Nations Unies à Genève*

33, rue Carroz - 1202 Genève

May 17, 1993

Mr. Robert Shepherd
Minister-Counsellor
Office of the United States Representative
in Geneva
1-3, Avenue de la Paix
1202 Geneva

Dear Mr. Shepherd,

I acknowledge receipt of your letter dated May 12, 1993 whereby you inform me of the United States Government's decision to revoke the existing restraint for category 443 in respect of Brazil.

2. Please be advised that your communication has been conveyed to the Brazilian authorities in Brasilia who took note of it.

Sincerely,


José Alfredo Graça Lima
Deputy Permanent Representative to the GATT

COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Rescission of a Request to Consult and Cancellation of a Limit for Certain Wool Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Brazil

May 25, 1993.

AGENCY: Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

ACTION: Announcing the rescission of a request to consult and issuing a directive to the Commissioner of Customs cancelling a limit.

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 2, 1993.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nicole Bivens Collinson, International Trade Special Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 487-4212.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended; section 204 of the Agriculture Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854).

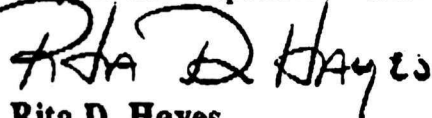
The United States Government has decided to rescind the request to consult with the Government of the Federative Republic of Brazil on men's and boys' wool suits in Category 443 and to cancel the current limit.

In the letter published below, the Chairman of CITA directs the Commissioner of Customs to cancel the current limit for Category 443. Textile products in Category 443 shall remain subject to the aggregate limit for the April 1, 1993 through March 31, 1994 restraint period.

Should it become necessary to discuss this category with the Government of the Federative Republic of Brazil at a later date, further notice will be published in the **Federal Register**.

A description of the textile and apparel categories in terms of HTS numbers is available in the **CORRELATION: Textile and Apparel Categories with the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States** (see **Federal Register** notice 57 FR 54976, published on November 23, 1992; 57 FR 21971, published on May 26, 1992; 57 FR 33320, published on July 28, 1992; and 58 FR 14381, published on March 17, 1993).

The letter to the Commissioner of Customs and the actions taken pursuant to it are not designed to implement all of the provisions of the bilateral agreement, but are designed to assist only in the implementation of certain of its provisions.



Rita D. Hayes,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

May 25, 1993.

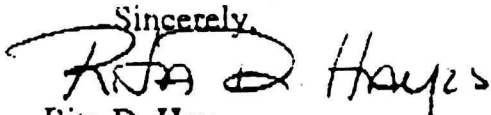
Commissioner of Customs,

Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20229.

Dear Commissioner: Effective on June 2, 1993, this directive cancels the limit established in the directive issued to you on March 12, 1993, by the Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements, for wool textile products in Category 443, produced or manufactured in Brazil and exported during the twelve-month period which began on April 1, 1993 and extends through March 31, 1994. Textile products in Category 443 shall remain subject to the aggregate limit for the April 1, 1993 through March 31, 1994 restraint period.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that this action falls within the foreign affairs exception to the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,



Rita D. Hayes,

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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