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Textiles Surveillance Body

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 7

Information submitted by the European Community

Note by the Chairman

The attached communication received from the Commission of the European Communities concerns a safeguard measure taken in regard to certain textile imports originating in Turkey. The communication has been made for information purposes only in accordance with Article 7 of the Arrangement.¹

¹ Previous notifications of similar safeguard actions taken by the EEC against Turkey are contained in COM.TEX/SB/425 and 538. The TSB's observations thereon are contained in COM.TEX/SB/431 and 539.

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COMMISSION
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Dear Mr Ambassador,

The Community has recently been obliged to adopt certain safeguard measures in regard to textile products originating in countries associated with the Community through preferential agreements.

These measures have been taken pursuant to Art. 60 of the additional Protocol to the EC-Turkey Association Agreement.

In accordance with Article 7 of the Arrangement, the regulations giving effect to these safeguard measures are herewith brought to the attention of the Body for the sole purpose of information.

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Yours sincerely,

J.R. BECK

Enclosure

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COMMISSION DECISION

of 11 May 1982

authorizing Italy to suspend the issuing of import documents in respect of certain textile products originating in Turkey

(Only the Italian text is authentic)

(82/316/EEC)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1842/71 of 21 June 1971⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 2 thereof,

Having regard to the formal request submitted by Italy after consultation within the Advisory Committee established by Article 3 of that Regulation,

Whereas imports of textile products into the Community have in recent years given rise to market disturbance and are causing serious injury to Community producers, resulting in the closure of mills and considerable job losses;

Whereas in consequence of this situation imports of certain textile products originating in the majority of low-cost supplier countries are at present subject to a Community system of authorization and quantitative limitation;

Whereas imports into Italy of cotton fabrics originating in Turkey during the first two months of 1982 have already reached 25 % of the 1981 imports, which represents an increase of 250 % compared with the same period in 1981; whereas in particular during the first four months of 1982 import documents have been issued for a total amount of 5 373 tonnes, which represents an increase of 610 % compared with the same period in 1981 and a potential increase in imports of 525 % compared with 1981;

Whereas the rise in imports and the substantial and rapid increase anticipated in the volume of those imports have contributed to aggravating the cumulative disruption of this market;

Whereas this situation, in particular the volume of import documents already issued, makes it necessary

to take immediate action in order to avoid irreparable injury to Italian producers and a serious deterioration in the economic situation of that region of the Community; whereas it is therefore necessary to adopt, pursuant to Article 60 of the Additional Protocol to the Association Agreement between the European Economic Community and Turkey, the protective measures needed to overcome these difficulties; whereas, however, such measures should initially be restricted to suspending the issuing of new import documents so that the latter's effects on the market situation can be assessed and any measures determined which ought subsequently to be applied,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Italy is hereby authorized to suspend the issuing of the import documents provided for in Regulation (EEC) No 2819/79⁽²⁾ in respect of the textile products originating in Turkey listed in the Annex.

Article 2

This Decision shall be applicable until 30 June 1982.

Article 3

This Decision is addressed to Italy.

Done at Brussels, 11 May 1982.

For the Commission

Antonio GJOLITTI

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 192, 26. 8. 1971, p. 14.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 320, 15. 12. 1979, p. 9.

ANNEX

Category	CCT heading No	NIMEXE code (1982)	Description	Member States	Third country
2	55.09	55.09-03; 04; 05; 06; 07; 08; 09; 10; 12; 13; 14; 15; 16; 17; 19; 21; 29; 32; 34; 35; 37; 38; 39; 41; 49; 51; 52; 53; 54; 55; 56; 57; 59; 61; 63; 64; 65; 66; 67; 68; 69; 70; 71; 72; 73; 74; 75; 76; 77; 78; 79; 80; 81; 82; 83; 84; 86; 90; 91; 92; 93; 98; 99	Other woven fabrics of cotton : Woven fabrics of cotton, other than gauze, terry fabrics, narrow woven fabrics, pile fabrics, chenille fabrics, tulle and other net fabrics	Italy	Turkey

COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 1094/82

of 7 May 1982

making the importation of certain textile products originating in Turkey subject to quantitative limitation

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1842/71 of 21 June 1971⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 1 thereof,

Having regard to the formal request submitted by France after consultation within the Advisory Committee established by Article 3 of that Regulation,

Whereas imports of textile products on the Community market have during recent years given rise to market disturbance and are causing serious damage to Community producers resulting in the closure of factories and considerable loss of employment;

Whereas in consequence of this situation, imports of certain textile products originating in the majority of low-cost supplier countries are at present subject to a Community system of authorization and quantitative limitation;

Whereas imports into France of T-shirts originating in Turkey in the first three months of 1982 have already reached 145 % of imports in 1981, which represents an increase of 620 % compared with the same period in 1981;

Whereas the extremely rapid increase in recent months of imports into France of T-shirts originating in Turkey have helped to exacerbate the cumulative disturbance of that market;

Whereas the volume of this increase makes it necessary to take immediate action aimed at avoiding irreparable damage to French producers and a serious

deterioration in the economic situation of that region of the Community; whereas it therefore justifies the adoption, pursuant to Article 60 of the Additional Protocol to the Association Agreement between the European Economic Community and Turkey, of the protective measures needed to overcome these difficulties,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. The importation into France of the category 4 textile products listed in the Annex, originating in Turkey, shall be suspended until 15 October 1982.
2. The provisions of the preceding paragraph shall not apply to products which have been placed on board and are in the course of shipment to the Community before the entry into force of this Regulation.
3. The entry into free circulation in the other Member States of the textile products referred to in paragraph 1 remains subject to the presentation of the import document provided for in Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2819/79⁽²⁾.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

It shall be applicable until 15 October 1982.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 7 May 1982.

For the Commission

Wilhelm HAFERKAMP

Vice-President

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 192, 26. 8. 1971, p. 14.

⁽²⁾ OJ No 320, 15. 12. 1979, p. 9.

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Category	CCT heading No	NIMEXE code (1982)	Description	Third countries	Member State
4	60.04 B I II a) b) c) IV b) 1 aa) dd) 2 ee) d) 1 aa) dd) 2 dd)	60.04-19 ; 20 ; 22 ; 23 ; 24 ; 26 ; 41 ; 50 ; 58 ; 71 ; 79 ; 89	Under garments, knitted or crocheted, not elastic or rubberized : Shirts, T-shirts, lightweight fine knit roll, polo or turtle necked jumpers and pullovers, undervests and the like, knitted or crocheted, not elastic or rubberized, other than babies' garments, of cotton or synthetic textile fibres; T-shirts and light- weight fine knit roll, polo or turtle necked jumpers and pullovers, of regenerated textile fibres, other than babies' garments	Turkey	France

COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 1093/82

of 7 May 1982

making the importation of certain textile products originating in Turkey subject to quantitative limitation

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1842/71 of 21 June 1971⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 1 thereof,

Having regard to the formal request submitted by the United Kingdom after consultation within the Advisory Committee established by Article 3 of that Regulation,

Whereas imports of textile products into the Community have given rise to market disturbance and are causing serious damage during recent years to Community producers, resulting in the closure of mills and considerable loss of employment;

Whereas, in consequence of this situation, imports of certain textile products originating in the majority of low-cost supplier countries are at present subject to a Community system of authorization and quantitative limitation;

Whereas imports into the United Kingdom of cotton cloth originating in Turkey during the first three months of 1982 have already reached 60 % of imports in 1981, which represents an increase of 2 200 % compared with the same period in 1981;

Whereas the extremely rapid increase in recent months of imports into the United Kingdom of cotton cloth originating in Turkey have helped to exacerbate the cumulative disturbance of that market;

Whereas the volume of this increase makes it necessary to take immediate action aimed at avoiding irreparable damage to United Kingdom producers and

a serious deterioration in the economic situation of that region of the Community; whereas it therefore justifies the adoption, pursuant to Article 60 of the Additional Protocol to the Association Agreement between the European Economic Community and Turkey, of the protective measures needed to overcome these difficulties,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. The importation into the United Kingdom of cotton cloth of category 2, as set out in the Annex hereto, originating in Turkey shall be subject until 31 December 1982 to a quantitative limit fixed in this same Annex.

2. The provisions of the preceding paragraph shall not apply to products which have been placed on board and are in the course of shipment to the Community before the entry into force of this Regulation.

3. All the quantities imported from 1 January 1982 are to be deducted from the quantities laid down in the Annex.

4. The entry into free circulation in the other Member States of the textile products referred to in paragraph 1 remains subject to the presentation of the import document provided for in Commission Regulation (EEC) No 2819/79⁽²⁾.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

It shall be applicable until 31 December 1982.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 7 May 1982.

For the Commission

Wilhelm HAFFERKAMP

Vice-President

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 192, 26. 8. 1971, p. 14.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 320, 15. 12. 1979, p. 9.

ANNEX

Category	CCT heading No	NIMEXE code (1982)	Description	Third countries	Member States	Units	Quantitative limits from 1 January to 31 December 1982
2	55.09	55.09-03; 04; 05; 06; 07; 08; 09; 10; 12; 13; 14; 15; 16; 17; 19; 21; 29; 32; 34; 35; 37; 38; 39; 41; 49; 51; 52; 53; 54; 55; 56; 57; 59; 61; 63; 64; 65; 66; 67; 68; 69; 70; 71; 72; 73; 74; 75; 76; 77; 78; 79; 80; 81; 82; 83; 84; 86; 90; 91; 92; 93; 98; 99	Other woven fabrics of cotton : Woven fabrics of cotton, other than gauze, terry fabrics, narrow woven fabrics, pile fabrics, chenille fabrics, tulle and other net fabrics :	Turkey	UK	Tonnes	1 000

**COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 876/82
of 15 April 1982**

**making the importation of certain textile products originating in Turkey subject
to quantitative limitation**

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN
COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European
Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No
1842/71 of 21 June 1971⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 1
thereof,

Having regard to the formal request submitted by
France after consultation within the Advisory
Committee established by Article 3 of that Regulation,

Whereas there has been a substantial increase in
imports of shirts on the French market in particular
since 1979 while at the same time consumption was
falling leading to an increase of about 25 % of the rate
of import penetration which has now reached 40 %,
resulting in the closure of factories and considerable
loss of employment;

Whereas, in consequence of this situation, imports of
shirts originating in the majority of low-cost supplier
countries have been subject to a Community system of
authorization and quantitative limitation;

Whereas imports into France of shirts originating in
Turkey represented in 1981 8.4 % of total imports of
this product; whereas during the first two months of
1982 imports originating in Turkey have already
reached 47 % of imports in 1981, which represents an
increase of 650 % compared with the same period in
1981;

Whereas the extremely rapid increase in recent
months of imports into France of shirts originating in

Turkey have helped to exacerbate the cumulative
disturbance of that market;

Whereas the volume of this increase makes it neces-
sary to take immediate action aimed at avoiding irre-
parable damage to French producers and a serious
deterioration in the economic situation of that region
of the Community; whereas it therefore justifies the
adoption, pursuant to Article 60 of the Additional
Protocol to the Association Agreement between the
European Economic Community and Turkey, of the
protective measures needed to overcome these difficul-
ties,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. The importation into France of the category 8
textile products listed in the Annex, originating in
Turkey, shall be suspended until 30 June 1982.
2. The provisions of the preceding paragraph shall
not apply to products which have been placed on
board and are in the course of shipment to the
Community before the entry into force of this Regula-
tion.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day of its
publication in the *Official Journal of the European
Communities*.

It shall be applicable until 30 June 1982.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member
States.

Done at Brussels, 15 April 1982.

For the Commission

Edgard PISANI

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 192, 26. 8. 1971, p. 14.

ANNEX

Category	CCT heading No	NIMEXE code (1982)	Description	Member State
8	61.03 A	61.03-11 ; 15 ; 19	Men's and boys' under garments, including collars, shirt fronts and cuffs : Men's and boys' shirts, woven, of wool, of cotton or of man-made textile fibres	F