

**GENERAL AGREEMENT ON
TARIFFS AND TRADE**

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Textiles Surveillance Body

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

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

MEXICO

Note by the Chairman

Attached is a report on the present status of restrictions on trade in textiles maintained by Mexico. This report was submitted in reply to the TSB's request for information in pursuance of Article 11 of the Arrangement, and in particular paragraphs 11, 12 and 2 thereof, and also in pursuance of Mexico's obligations under Article 2:4 of the Arrangement.

^{1/} The previous report by Mexico is contained in COM.TEX/SB/605/Add.14.

GENERAL DIRECTORATE FOR INTERNATIONAL
TRADE NEGOTIATIONS

Reference No. 2-651

SUBJECT: Notification of Mexico
concerning Import Permits for Textiles

Mexico D.F., 16 November 1982
"GENERAL VICENTE GUERRERO YEAR"

Ambassador Marcelo Raffaelli,
Chairman of the Textiles Surveillance Body,
Geneva,
Switzerland

In 1974, on the basis of the report submitted by the Government of Mexico to the Textiles Surveillance Body (TSB), describing and explaining existing measures to regulate the country's imports of textile products and the control mechanism consisting of prior import licensing, the TSB, after analysing the report, recommended that in subsequent years the Government of Mexico should send it a report on the development of its textile industry and the status of import controls.

With regard to this year's report, I have to inform you that, owing to the serious crisis of its balance of payments, the Government of Mexico introduced, as from 17 September 1982, the requirement of a prior import permit for all goods included in the General Import Tariff, with effect until 31 December 1983.

By reason of the above, all textile articles included in the General Import Tariff, and therefore those covered by Article 12 of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles, are, until 31 December 1983, subject to the prior permit requirement.

Considering that the above complies with the obligations assumed by Mexico vis-à-vis the TSB as set forth in Article 2 of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles, I request you to bring this information to the knowledge of the members of the TSB and the Textiles Committee.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

"REAL SUFFRAGE. NO RE-ELECTION"
THE DIRECTOR GENERAL

(signed) ABEL GARRIDO RUIZ



DEPENDENCIA DIRECCION GENERAL DE NEGOCIAZIONES COMERCIALES INTERNACIONALES.

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ASUNTO:

Notificación de México sobre Permisos de Importación de Textiles

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16 de noviembre de 1982.

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Desde el año de 1974, y a raíz del informe presentado por el gobierno de México al Organo de Vigilancia de los Textiles (OVT), en el cual se describían y explicaban las medidas en vigor para regular las importaciones de los productos textiles del país y el mecanismo de control consistente en una licencia previa de importación, el OVT, después del análisis del mismo, recomendó al gobierno de México que en los años subsecuentes le hiciera llegar el informe sobre la evolución de su industria textil y sobre la situación de los controles de importación.

Respecto al informe del año actual, debo informarle que con fecha 17 de septiembre de 1982, el gobierno de México implantó, debido a la grave crisis de su Balanza de Pagos, el requisito de permiso previo a la importación de todas las mercancías comprendidas en la Tarifa del Impuesto General de Importación, hasta el 31 de diciembre de 1983.

Por lo anterior, todos los artículos textiles incluidos en la Tarifa del Impuesto General de Importación, que corresponden a los que ... cubre el artículo 12 del Acuerdo Relativo al Comercio Internacional de los Textiles, quedan sujetos, hasta el día 31 de diciembre de 1983, al requisito de permiso previo.