## GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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Textiles Surveillance Body

## ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 3:5

United States/Indonesia

Note by the Chairman

Attached is a communication received from the United States concerning action taken under Article 3:5 of the MFA <u>vis à vis</u> Indonesia on Category 335 (cotton coats, WGI).

<sup>\*</sup>English only/Anglais seulement



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The Honorable Ambassador Marcelo Raffael Chairman, Textiles Surveil GATT

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Dear Mr. Chairman:

I write in reference to my Conference Off Tuly 1983 in which I informed you that on June 30, 1983 my government requested consultations with the Government of Indonesia under the provisions of Article 3 regarding exports from Indonesia to the United States of women's girls' and infants' cotton coats (category 335). A copy of the U.S. note, which included the "detailed factual statement of the reasons and justification for the request," as called for in paragraph 3 of Article 3, was attached.

Following this request for consultations, the two governments held consultations in Washington on August 11-12, but agreement was not reached at that time.

Subsequent to these consultations, two developments have taken place:

- (1) the Government of the United States has informed the Government of Indonesia that, under the terms of Article III, paragraph 5, and Annex B of the Arrangement, and pending the results of further consultations, the Government of the United States would for the period beginning on July 1, 1983 and ending on June 30, 1984 establish a limit of 32,814 dozen for category 335.

- (2) the two governments have agreed to continue consultations on this matter in Indonesia from October 18-21 and, under these circumstances, have also agreed to ask the TSB to defer its review of this Article 3 action pending the results of these consultations.

Sincerely,

Robert E. Shepherd Minister-Counselor