

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

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Textiles Surveillance Body

DRAFT REPORT OF THE THIRD MEETING (1978)¹

1. The Textiles Surveillance Body held its third meeting on 11 March 1978. The report of the second meeting was approved and it has been circulated to the Textiles Committee in document COM.TEX/SB/313.

2. The Chairman welcomed the following members and alternates for the rest of the year 1978:

Members

Mr. E. Hagfors (Finland)³
Mr. P. Kumar (India)
Mr. I. Klaric (EEC)²
Mr. V. Jayanama (Thailand)³
Mr. H. Phelan (United States)
Mr. C.S. Shin (Korea)
Mr. X. Suarez (Colombia)
Mr. K. Terada (Japan)³

Alternates

Mr. M.A.B. Hamza (Egypt)
Mr. J. Beck (EEC)

Mr. P. Tsao (Hong Kong)
Mrs. E. Arciniega (Peru)

3. The TSB had noted that its existing procedures, concerning equity in treatment between a member of the TSB and a non-member when their countries were both involved in a question which required the presence of the respective delegations of the two parties before the TSB, as contained in COM.TEX/SB/30,

¹Sixty-seventh meeting.

²Until the summer recess.

³Alternate to be nominated.

Annex 1, and especially in paragraphs 6(b) and (d), had not been completely followed in practice. This was mainly owing to the difficulty encountered by the TSB in coming to a conclusion and formulating its recommendation in the continued presence of the two parties.

4. Following its discussion of this issue the TSB decided to amend paragraphs 6(b) and (d) of COM.TEX/SB/30, Annex 1, as follows:

- Para.6(b): The spokesman for both the country having a member on the TSB and the country not having a member thereon, should be invited to present their cases fully.
- Para. 6(d): The party not having a member on the TSB would be invited to designate a person who, after the presentation of the case by the two delegations and the questioning phase, could then participate in the remaining phase of the discussion up to, and including, the drafting of the recommendations. It is understood, however, that consensus within the Body on the form and content of such recommendations, does not require the assent or concurrence, neither of the concerned member of the Body nor of the designated person from the non-represented party.

5. The TSB considered two notifications from the United States of its bilateral agreements concluded under Article 4 of the Arrangement with Poland and India and, after having reviewed them, agreed to circulate their texts to the Textiles Committee for the information of participating countries, see COM.TEX/SB/314 and 315.

6. The TSB also considered a notification by the EEC of its agreement with Romania which was formally concluded under Article 4 of the Arrangement on 2 December 1977. Under the provisions of Article 13, the Agreement could not enter into legal force until 1 January 1978, by which time the expiry date of 31 December 1977 had passed. The TSB noted that the agreement had been