

**GENERAL AGREEMENT  
ON TARIFFS AND TRADE**

**CONFIDENTIAL**  
**TEX.SB/W/600\***  
26 August 1994

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**Textiles Surveillance Body**

**DRAFT REPORT OF THE SIXTH MEETING (1994)<sup>1</sup>**

1. The Textiles Surveillance Body held its sixth meeting of 1994 on 26 July.
2. Present at the meeting were the following members and/or alternates: Messrs. Fujioka, Lee, Munir, Pangaribuan, Prince, Saint-Jacques, Tagliani, Vanerio/Prado, Wang and Wentzel.
3. The report of the fifth meeting has been circulated in COM.TEX/SB/1954.

**Matter referred under Article 11:4 and 11:5**

**El Salvador/United States<sup>2</sup>**

4. The TSB reviewed a notification from El Salvador under Article 11, paragraphs 4 and 5, referring to it a request for consultations made on 25 April 1994 by the United States under Article 3 with respect to imports into the United States of men's and boys' cotton and man-made fibre shirts (Categories 340 and 640) exported by El Salvador.<sup>3</sup>
5. El Salvador and the United States sent delegations which presented their respective cases.
6. During the review, the TSB was informed that a restraint had been placed under Article 3:5(i) by the United States on 15 July.

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<sup>1</sup>Two hundred and eighty-seventh meeting overall.

<sup>2</sup>One member did not join the consensus.

<sup>3</sup>Regarding the postponement of this review, see COM.TEX/SB/1954, paragraphs 5 to 7.

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7. The TSB recalled that under Article 3:3 the text of a request for consultations and the accompanying market statement should be communicated to the Chairman of the TSB at the same time the request was issued, and noted that in this case this had been done on 15 July.

8. After hearing the presentations by both delegations and examining all the information submitted to it, the TSB concluded that market disruption had not been demonstrated and therefore recommended that the restraint be rescinded.

9. The TSB further recalled that it was open for any participating country to refer to the Body any matter covered by the MFA.

**Notifications under Article 11**

**Austria, Finland, Hong Kong, Japan, Norway and Uruguay**

10. In response to its request for information on the status of restrictions maintained by participating countries on imports of textiles products<sup>4</sup>, the TSB received the following information:

- (a) Hong Kong, Japan, and Uruguay notified that they maintained no restrictions on imports of products covered by the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles and the 1986 Protocol of Extension;
- (b) Austria listed products subject to import restriction and products subject to export surveillance under the MFA;
- (c) Finland listed restraints maintained and products subject to surveillance and consultation under its bilateral agreements;
- (d) Norway listed products covered by the MFA subject to import restriction or surveillance.

11. The TSB agreed to forward these notifications to the Textiles Committee (COM.TEX/SB/1953 Addenda 7 to 12).

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<sup>4</sup>COM.TEX/SB/1910, paragraph 29.

**Annual Report to the Textiles Committee**

12. The TSB continued the discussion of its annual report, to be presented to the Textiles Committee.