REQUEST BY HONG KONG FOR CONSULTATIONS UNDER ARTICLE 15:2 OF THE AGREEMENT

The following communication has been received from the Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office with the request that it be circulated to the members of the Committee.

I have been instructed by my authorities to request consultations under Article 15 of the Agreement on Implementation of Article VI of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (the Agreement) regarding the Department of Commerce's determination that man-made fibre sweaters originating in Hong Kong are being or are likely to be sold in the United States at less than fair value, the subsequent International Trade Commission's determination that an industry in the United States is materially injured by reason of imports of man-made fibre sweaters from Hong Kong, and the consequent anti-dumping duty order requiring the imposition of anti-dumping duties on entries of man-made fibre sweaters from Hong Kong, as published in Federal Register No. 55FR39035 dated 24 September 1990.

In order to safeguard the benefits accruing to it under the Agreement, Hong Kong wishes to avail itself of the procedures under Article 15:2 of the Agreement and requests that consultations be held in Washington, Hong Kong or Geneva, preferably in the week commencing 29 April 1991.