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Textiles Surveillance Body

Organe de surveillance des textiles

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Communication from Hong Kong

Note by the Chairman

Attached is a letter from Hong Kong regarding the recommendations made by the TSB (see COM.TEX/SB/283, paragraph 3) concerning the case between Hong Kong and Canada.

¹For TSB previous recommendations see COM.TEX/SB/260, paragraphs 5-7.

ARRANGEMENT CONCERNANT LE COMMERCE INTERNATIONAL DES TEXTILES

Communication de Hong-kong

Note du Président

On trouvera ci-joint une lettre de Hong-kong concernant les recommandations que l'OST a formulées (document COM.TEX/SB/283, paragraphe 3) au sujet du différend entre Hong-kong et le Canada¹.

Pour les recommandations précédentes, voir le document COM.TEX/SB/260, paragraphes 5 à 7.





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Sir,

I have the honour to refer to the Report of the Sixteenth Meeting (1977) of the Textiles Surveillance Body (COM.TEX/SB/283) and in particular to paragraph 3 thereof regarding two restraint actions taken by Canada under Article 3.5 of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles with respect to imports from Hong Kong of bedsheets and polyester filament fabrics.

With reference to the recommendation of the Textiles Surveillance Body that Canada and Hong Kong should hold further consultations with a view to reaching a mutually acceptable solution by 31 January 1978, at which time a report on the results achieved should be presented, I am instructed to inform you, on behalf of the Hong Kong Government, that consultations between Canada and Hong Kong are scheduled to take place in Hong Kong on 27 February and that a report will be presented thereafter.

I am sending a copy of this letter to the Permanent Mission of Canada in Geneva.

Please accept, Sir, the assurance of my highest consideration.

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