

GENERAL AGREEMENT  
ON TARIFFS AND  
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ET LE COMMERCE

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Textiles Surveillance Body

Organe de surveillance des textiles

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Information received from Hong Kong

Note by the Chairman

I attach a report received from the Hong Kong office, in connexion with their consultations with Canada on imports of bed sheets, as recommended by the TSB.<sup>1</sup>

The consultations have led to the conclusion of an ad referendum agreement which will be submitted to the TSB once ratification procedures have been completed by the two parties.

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<sup>1</sup>For TSB's recommendations see documents COM.TEX/SB/299, paragraph 6, COM.TEX/SB/283 paragraph 3, and COM.TEX/SB/260 paragraphs 5 to 7.

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ARRANGEMENT CONCERNANT LE COMMERCE INTERNATIONAL DES TEXTILES

Renseignements communiqués par Hong-kong

Note du Président

Les membres de l'OST trouveront ci-joint copie d'un rapport que le bureau de Hong-kong a adressé au secrétariat au sujet des consultations qu'il a tenues avec le Canada concernant les importations de draps de lit, conformément à la recommandation de l'OST<sup>1</sup>.

Les consultations ont abouti à la conclusion d'un accord ad referendum dont l'OST sera saisi lorsque les procédures de ratification auront été menées à bien par les deux parties.

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<sup>1</sup>Les recommandations de l'OST figurent dans les documents COM.TEX/SB/299, paragraphe 6, COM.TEX/SB/283, paragraphe 3, et COM.TEX/SB/260, paragraphes 5 à 7.

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Sir

I have the honour to refer to the Report of the First Meeting (1978) of the Textiles Surveillance Body (COM.TEX/SB/299) and in particular to paragraph 6 thereof regarding consultations to be held between Canada and Hong Kong on bedsheets.

I am instructed to inform you that consultations between Canada and Hong Kong were held in Hong Kong from 27 February to 11 March. An ad referendum agreement between Canada and Hong Kong was initialled on 11 March, which agreement provided, inter alia, for the restraint action taken by Canada under Article 3.5 of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles with respect to imports from Hong Kong of bedsheets to be terminated as from 11 March 1978. Exports of bedsheets from Hong Kong to Canada are now being restrained by Hong Kong according to the terms of the ad referendum agreement. This agreement will be submitted to you following its ratification by both Canada and Hong Kong.

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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