

GENERAL AGREEMENT
ON TARIFFS AND
TRADE

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TEX.SB/308
5 June 1978

Textiles Surveillance Body

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Report on Status of Restrictive Measures as requested
by the TSB in accordance with Article 11 paragraph 11

Note by the Chairman

Attached hereto are copies of the replies received from Austria,¹ Brazil,² and Turkey³ in response to my letter of 24 April 1978, which invited participating countries to the Arrangement to inform the TSB, by 31 May 1978, of the present status of the restrictions, if any, applied to their trade in textiles.

Also attached is a copy of my letter requesting this information.

¹For original submission under Article 2 paragraph 4 see COM.TEX/SB/75 and Add 1, 115 and 196.

²For original submission under Article 2 paragraph 4 see COM.TEX/SB/88, 115 and 196.

³For original submission under Article 2 paragraph 4 see COM.TEX/SB/99, 115 and 196.

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Organe de surveillance des textiles

ARRANGEMENT CONCERNANT LE COMMERCE INTERNATIONAL DES TEXTILES

Rapport sur la situation des restrictions demandé par l'OST
conformément à l'article 11, paragraphe 11

Note du Président

On trouvera ci-joint copie des réponses de l'Autriche¹, du Brésil² et de la Turquie³ à la lettre du 24 avril 1978 par laquelle j'invitais les pays participant à l'Arrangement à informer l'OST, pour le 31 mai 1978, de la situation actuelle des restrictions qu'ils appliquent, le cas échéant, à leur commerce des textiles.

On trouvera également ci-joint le texte de ma lettre.

¹Pour les rapports précédents, présentés conformément à l'article 2, paragraphe 4, voir les documents COM.TEX/SB/75 et Add.1, 115 et 196.

²Pour les rapports précédents, présentés conformément à l'article 2, paragraphe 4, voir les documents COM.TEX/SB/88, 115 et 196.

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MISSION PERMANENTE DE L'AUTRICHE
AUPRÈS DE L'OFFICE DES NATIONS UNIES ET
DES INSTITUTIONS SPÉCIALISÉES À GENÈVE

No. 3329-A/78

Geneva, 18 May 1978

Dear Mr. Ambassador,

^{2nd}
With reference to your letter of 24 April 1978, Ref. TS/140-1, my authorities instructed me to inform you that Austria made a full notification of the restrictions applied to textile products covered by the MFA on 1 March 1974 (Ref.No. 1220-A/74). Since that date Austria kept the Textiles Surveillance Body informed of all the bilateral agreements it had to conclude with countries exporters of textiles. In these notifications the reasons for as well as the justification of these agreements were given in every detail.

These notifications have kept their full value; they should therefore provide the adequate basis for the review to be carried out by the TSB in accordance with Article XI:11.

Yours sincerely,

Viktor Segalla
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First Secretary:

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Mr. Paul Wurth
Chairman
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* Will be submitted to the TSB.
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Geneva, May 1st., 1978

Mr. P. Wurth
Chairman of the Textiles Surveillance Body
GATT
Geneva

Dear Mr. Wurth,

Upon instructions of my Government, and with reference to my letter n° 96, dated April 25, 1978, I have the pleasure to inform you that, besides the usual tariff rates, the only restrictions presently applied to textiles imports in Brazil are those which have been examined and approved by the Committee on Balance of Payments of the GATT. Such restrictions, which are of a temporary and non-discriminatory nature, appear in the following Brazilian legal instruments: a) Communiquée n° 78/2 of the CACEX; b) Resolution n° 443 of the Brazilian Central Bank (prior deposit scheme); and Decree-Law n° 1334, 1364 and 1421.

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


(Paulo R. Barthel-Rosa)
Counsellor

202.400-1549

Geneva, 9 May 1978

Sir,

With reference to your letter of April 24th, 1978, concerning the notification to be made by the participating countries in conformity with the Article 2 of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles, I would like to inform you that there has been no major changes on the status of imports restrictions on textiles maintained by Turkey under Article XVIII of GATT, since it was initially notified with our letter of May 24th, 1974, No. 202.400/2105.

Therefore in the attached text you will find listed only some minor changes in order to bring up to date the texts of our original notification and the list annexed thereto.

Please accept, Sir, the assurances of my high consideration

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Ambassador

Permanent Representative

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ANNEX

1. Some modifications in the original text of notification:

a) Paragraph 1, unnumbered sub-paragraph 2 :

- The date of the Turkish import list has to be changed as 1978.
- The date of the Turkish Official Gazette where the import list for 1978 was published is 28 January 1978

b) Paragraph 2, unnumbered sub-paragraph 2 :

- In the first sentence where countries with which Turkey has bilateral arrangements are indicated, Bulgaria, Poland, Arab Republic of Egypt, Czechoslovakia should be deleted.
- Second sentence in the parenthesis should be deleted fully.

2. Some changes in the list of products annexed to the initial notification :

Products BTN number	
- 51.01) 51.03)	Removed from Liberalization List No. II, thus from the import lists as a whole.
- 51.04.11) 51.04.12)	Removed from the Liberalization List No. I to be put in the Liberalization List No. II.
- 55.05.11,19	New quota for this item is \$ 5.000.-
- 58.07.10	" " " " " " \$ 5.000.-
- 58.07.20	" " " " " " \$ 5.000.-
- 58.07.90	" " " " " " \$20.000.-
- 59.15	" " " " " " \$10.000.-
- 59.17.12	" " " " " " \$290.000.-
- 59.17.21	" " " " " " 15.000.-
- 59.17.22,29	Description of this product should be read as "Felt and Felted Fabrics", thus the last part of the original description should be deleted.

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RÉFÉRENCE :

Dear

In acceding to the Arrangement participating countries accepted an obligation to terminate or bring into conformity with the Arrangement all of the restrictions which they applied to textile imports at the time of the Arrangement's coming into force. This obligation is embodied in Article 2 of the Arrangement. In its reports to the Textiles Committee contained in documents COM.TEX/SB/115 and Add.1 and COM.TEX/SB/196, the TSB reported on its review of the compliance of participants with their obligations under Article 2.

Article 11:11 of the Arrangement requires that "the Textiles Surveillance Body shall, within fifteen months of the coming into force of the Arrangement, and at least annually thereafter, review all restrictions on textile products maintained by participating countries at the commencement of this Arrangement and submit its findings to the Textiles Committee".

The TSB, having due regard to the provisions of Article 11:11 decided at its last meeting from 3 to 7 March, that all participating countries should be invited to inform the TSB of the present status of their restrictions, if any, whether or not they continued to be justified under the provisions of the GATT, including its Annexes and Protocols.

This information should be sent to the Textiles Surveillance Body by 31 May 1978.

Yours sincerely,

P. Wurth
Chairman
Textiles Surveillance Body