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Textiles Surveillance Body

Organe de surveillance des textiles

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Report on the Status of Restrictive Measures as
Requested by the TSB in Accordance
with Article 11, paragraph 11

Note by the Chairman

The TSB has received from Brazil a report on the present status of restrictions maintained by Brazil. This report, which is attached hereto, has been submitted in accordance with Article 11, paragraph 11 of the Arrangement.

ARRANGEMENT CONCERNANT LE COMMERCE INTERNATIONAL DES TEXTILES

Rapport sur la situation des restrictions

demandé par l'OST¹ conformément à

l'article 11, paragraphe 11

Note du Président

L'OST a reçu du Brésil un rapport sur la situation actuelle des restrictions qu'applique ce pays. Ce rapport, qui est joint au présent document, a été présenté conformément à l'article 11, paragraphe 11, de l'Arrangement.²

See COM.TEX/SB/457, paragraph 8.

For previous submission see COM.TEX/SB/343.

Voir le document COM.TEX/SB/457, paragraphe 8.

Pour le rapport précédent, voir le document COM.TEX/SB/343.

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Geneva, July 31, 1979.

No. 146.

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

Dear Mr. Wurth,

TS/140-1 (321)

Upon instructions of my Government, and with reference to my letter nº 132, dated July 16, 1979, I can inform you that, besides the usual tariff rates, the only restrictions presently applied to imports of, inter alia, textiles products imported by Brazil are those which aim at reddressing the Brazilian balance-of-payments difficulties, and which, as such, have already been examined by the competent body of the GATT.

- 2. Such restrictions, which are of a temporary and non-discriminatory nature, appear in the following Brazilian legal instruments:
- (a) Communication nº 79/3 of the CACEX, that lists, in its attachment C, the merchandises for which the issuance of "guias de importação" is suspended;
- (b) Resolution nº 508 of the Brazilian Central Bank, containing the decision taken by the Brazilian Government to reduce, as from January 25, 1979 and until its definitive elimination in July 6, 1983, through a linear reduction of 10% each semester,

the amount of the prior deposit required for the Tasuance Te

of "guias de importação"; and

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(c) Decree-law n° 1685/79, which extended, up to June 30, 1980, the terms of Decrees-law n° 1334/74, 1364/74 and 1421/75, relating to the surtaxes added to the import taxes.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

(Paulo Roberto Barthel-Rosa)
Counsellor