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Textiles Surveillance Body

Organe de surveillance des textiles

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Articles 7 and 8

Note by the Chairman

The attached notification received from the United States Mission concerns restrictions imposed by the United States on imports of two further categories of textile items from the People's Republic of China. 1

ARRANGEMENT CONCERNANT LE COMMERCE INTERNATIONAL DES TEXTILES

Notification conformément aux articles 7 et 8

Note du Président

La Mission des Etats-Unis a fait parvenir au secrétariat la notification ci-jointe relative aux restrictions établies par les Etats-Unis à l'importation de deux autres catégories d'articles textiles en provenance de la République populaire de Chine. L

¹ For details of earlier restrictions see COM.TEX/SB/465.

Pour les restrictions qui étaient déjà appliquées, voir le document COM.TEX/SB/465.



UNITED STATES MISSION TO INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS GENEVA, SWITZERLAND

November 28, 1979

The Honorable Ambassador Paul Wurth Chairman, Textiles Surveillance Body G.A.T.T. 154, rue de Lausanne CH-1211 Geneva 21

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Pursuant to the provisions of Articles 7 and 8, the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles, I am instructed by my Government to inform the Textiles Surveillance Body of restrictions imposed by my Government on imports of two additional categories of textile goods from the People's Republic of China. Earlier restrictions were notified and circulated as COM.TEX/SB/465. Inasmuch as the People's Republic of China is a non-participant in the Arrangement and, in view of the fact that the action has been taken by the United States pursuant to its obligation under Article 8 of the Arrangement, this notification is being made for information only.

Attached hereto is a copy of the operative paragraphs of the U.S. Federal Register Notice outlining the categories and terms of this action.

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FEDERAL REGISTER NOTICE

Announcing Import Restraint Levels for Certain Cotton and Man-made Fiber Apparel from the People's Republic of China

On January 4, 1979, there was published in the FEDERAL REGISTER (44 F.R. 1211) a notice dated January 3, 1979, announcing forthcoming discussions concerning cotton, wool and man-made fiber textile products exported to the United States from the People's Republic of China and soliciting public comment thereon.

A series of discussions have taken place between the two governments in 1979 concerning the appropriate levels of exports of certain of these products to the United States. No agreement has yet been reached on these levels.

The Government of the United States has informed the Government of the People's Republic of China that for the twelvemonth period beginning on October 31, 1979, and extending through October 30, 1980, imports of apparel in Categories 341 (women's, girls' and infants' woven cotton blouses) and 635 (women's girls' and infants' coats of man-made fibers) that have been exported on and after October 31, 1979 will be limited to the following levels:

| Category | Twelve-month Level of Restraint |
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| 341 | 266,196 dozen |
| 635 | 110,551 dozen |

This action is taken pursuant to Section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended.

Further discussions with the Government of the People's Republic of China are anticipated. (This action).... is subject, therefore, to termination or revision as a result of those discussions....