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Report on Jtatus of Restrictive Measures Under Article 2, Paragraph 4

Note by the Chairman

The TSB has received from the Government of FINLAND a report on the status of the restrictive measures originally notified by it in document COM.TEX/SB/7. This report has been submitted to the TSB in accordance with Article 2, paragraph 4, of the Arrangement.

The TSB took note that restraint measures on textiles were maintained against Poland and Romania under bilateral agreements concluded under the provisions of GATT, (including its annexes and protocols). The Finnish authorities have indicated that in negotiations regarding the future of such measures, they would give due consideration to the objectives of the Textiles Arrangement, and that they would be prepared to notify the results of such negotiations to the Chairman of the TSB for the information of participants. Also, the Finnish authorities have indicated that they are willing to consider transforming trade measures on textiles into agreements under the relevant provisions of the Arrangement by agreement between the parties concerned.

The TSB is circulating this notification to countries participating in the Arrangement for their information.

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Geneva, 16 April 1975

Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter dated 27 March 1975 and the notification No. 793 of 17 May 1974 by the Finnish Mission, I have the honour to bring to your knowledge the following:

The textile quotas in Finland's bilateral trade agreements with Bulgaria, Uungary and Czechoslovakia have been abolished as from 1 January 1975. The textile quotas in the bilateral trade agreement with the German Democratic Republic will be abolished on 1 July 1975.

The existing textile quotas (global quotas) established in other bilateral agreements for the periods of 1 January 1975 to 31 December 1975 are as follows (in USS'000):

China	2,360
Poland	1,800
Romania	700

Yours faithfully,

(signed) Mauri Eggert Counsellor