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ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 7

Information Submitted by the European Community

The TSB has received a communication from the EEC concerning safeguard measures previously taken with regard to certain textile imports originating in Turkey. The TSB noted that there were presently no restraints on Turkish textile products entering into the EEC. In the circumstances the TSB agreed to circulate the communication to the Textiles Committee under Article 7 for the information of the participating countries.

COMMISSION REGULATION (EEC) No 2157/78

of 13 September 1978

making the importation of certain textile products originating in Turkey subject to quantitative limitation

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Economic Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 1842/71 of 21 June 1971⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 1 thereof,

Having regard to the formal request submitted by the United Kingdom after consultation within the Advisory Committee established by Article 3 of that Regulation,

Whereas there has been a substantial increase in imports from the supplier countries on the Commu-

nity market; whereas these imports have given rise to market disturbance and are causing serious damage to Community producers resulting in the closure of mills and considerable loss of employment;

Whereas in consequence of this situation imports of certain textile products originating in the majority of low-cost supplier countries are at present subject to a Community system of authorization and quantitative limitation under either bilateral agreements or autonomous arrangements;

Whereas the extremely rapid increase in recent months of imports into the United Kingdom of cotton yarns originating in Turkey have helped to exacerbate the cumulative disturbance of that market;

United Kingdom imports			Turkey's share of total UK imports (five months 1978)	Growth of imports	
1976	1977	1978 (seven months)		six months 1973/ six months 1977	six months 1973/ six months 1978
3 240 tonnes	2 232 tonnes	3 772 tonnes	19.5 %	+ 209 %	+ 241 %

Whereas the volume of this increase makes it necessary to take immediate action aimed at avoiding irreparable damage to United Kingdom producers and a serious deterioration in the economic situation of that region of the Community; whereas it therefore justifies the adoption, pursuant to Article 60 of the Additional Protocol to the Association Agreement between the European Economic Community and Turkey, of the protective measures needed to overcome these difficulties,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

1. The importation into the United Kingdom of the Category 1 textile products listed in the Annex, originating in Turkey, shall be suspended until 31 December 1978.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities*.

It shall be applicable until 31 December 1978.

⁽¹⁾ OJ No L 192, 26. 8. 1971, p. 14.

⁽²⁾ OJ No L 155, 13. 6. 1978, p. 12.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 13 September 1978.

For the Commission
The President
Roy JENKINS

ANNEX

Category No	CCT heading No	NIMEXE code (1978)	Description	Member State
1	55.05	55.05-13; 19; 21; 25; 27; 29; 33; 35; 37; 41; 45; 46; 48; 52; 58; 61; 65; 67; 69; 72; 78; 92; 98	Cotton yarn, not put up for retail sale	UK