

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

RESTRICTED

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Textiles Surveillance Body

REPORT OF THE THIRD MEETING (1980)^{1/}

1. The Textiles Surveillance Body held its third meeting of 1980 from 13 to 15 February.
2. The following members or alternates replacing members were present: Messrs. Beck^{2/}/de Gouvion St. Cyr, Hamid^{2/}, Kujirai, Park^{2/}/Chau, Pullinen, Safioen, Santos-Neves and Shepherd.
3. The TSB continued its discussion with respect to the preparation of the catalogue of all cases where the provisions of agreements entered into involved variations from Annex B of the Arrangement. To carry out the task assigned to it, the TSB needed information on certain elements which are not to be found in the agreements notified to it. The TSB therefore, requested the Chairman to seek such information from all participating countries concerned.
4. The TSB had received in November 1979 a notification from Canada regarding a retroactive Article 4 agreement with Japan signed in May 1979, covering the period from 1 January 1978 to 31 December 1979. The TSB noted with regret the delay in the notification of this agreement and reminded participants that they should make every effort to comply with the notification requirements of the Arrangement. The TSB also noted that the agreement had expired, that it had come into effect during a period when Canada had not yet accepted the Protocol extending the Arrangement, and that it was signed subsequent to Canada's acceptance.
5. The TSB did not review this agreement, but agreed to circulate it to the Textiles Committee for information (see COM.TEX/SB/540).

^{1/}Ninety-eighth meeting overall of the TSB.

^{2/}Part attendance.