

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

RESTRICTED

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ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Reports on the Status of Restrictive Measures as requested by the TSB in accordance with Article 11^{1/}

MEXICO

Attached is a report received by the Textiles Surveillance Body on the present status of restrictions on trade in textiles maintained by Mexico. This report was submitted in reply to the TSB's request for information in pursuance of Article 2, paragraph 4 and Article 11, paragraphs 11, 12 and 2 of the Arrangement.

^{1/} See COM.TEX/SB/783, paragraph 10.

^{2/} The previous report by Mexico is contained in COM.TEX/SB/605/Add.14.

SUBJECT: Notification of Mexico
concerning Import Permits for Textiles

Mexico D.F., 16 November 1982

Ambassador Marcelo Raffaelli,
Chairman of the Textiles Surveillance Body,
Geneva,
Switzerland

In 1974, on the basis of the report submitted by the Government of Mexico to the Textiles Surveillance Body (TSB), describing and explaining existing measures to regulate the country's imports of textile products and the control mechanism consisting of prior import licensing, the TSB, after analysing the report, recommended that in subsequent years the Government of Mexico should send it a report on the development of its textile industry and the status of import controls.

With regard to this year's report, I have to inform you that, owing to the serious crisis of its balance of payments, the Government of Mexico introduced, as from 17 September 1982, the requirement of a prior import permit for all goods included in the General Import Tariff, with effect until 31 December 1983.

By reason of the above, all textile articles included in the General Import Tariff, and therefore those covered by Article 12 of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles, are, until 31 December 1983, subject to the prior permit requirement.

Considering that the above information complies with the obligations assumed by Mexico vis-à-vis the TSB as set forth in Article 2 of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles, I request you to bring this information to the knowledge of the members of the TSB and the Textiles Committee.

Accept, Sir, etc.

THE DIRECTOR GENERAL

(signed) ABEL GARRIDO RUIZ