## GENERAL AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS AND TRADE

RESTRICTED

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## ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Report on the Status of Restrictive Measures as requested by the TSB in accordance with Article 11

## BRAZIL

Attached is a report received by the Textiles Surveillance Body from Brazil concerning the present status of its restrictions on trade in textiles and clothing. This report has been submitted in accordance with Article 11 of the Arrangement, and in particular paragraphs 11, 12 and 2 thereof.

See COM.TEX/SB/859, paragraph 17

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>The previous report by Brazil is contained in COM.TEX/SB/809/Add.24

Geneva, September 6th, 1983

H.E. Ambassador Marcelo Raffaelli, Chairman of the Textile Surveillance Body.

Sir,

In response to your letter of June 28, 1983, I have the honour to submit the following up-to-date information on restrictive measures presently in force in Brazil for the imports, inter alia, of textile products, while recalling that they are of a temporary and non-discriminatory nature; these measures have, furthermore, been adopted in order to reduce balance-of-payments disequilibrium and are accordingly examined in GATT:

- 1) Suspension of issuance of import licences. Products covered by this measure are described in document L/5393 dated 3 December 1982 (Chapters 50 to 63);
- 2) Surcharges on imports. Decree-Law no. 1977/82 extended until 31/12/83 the periods of application provided for in Decree-Laws nos. 1334/74, 1364/74 and 1421/75 (cf. documents 4985 and L/4909).

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

(GILBERTO F. MARTINS)

Minister