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Communication from Spain

The following communication has been received from the Permanent Representative of Spain, with the request that it be circulated to the delegations of the countries participating in the Textiles Committee.

It is the understanding of the Spanish authorities that the starting date of the period for making the notifications referred to in Article 2, paragraph 1, of the Arrangement regarding International Trade in Textiles is the date of acceptance of, or accession to, that instrument. Accordingly, they reserve the right to act consistently with that interpretation.

Inasmuch as Article 10, paragraph 3, of the Arrangement provides that any case of divergence of view between the participating countries as to the interpretation or application of this Arrangement may be referred to the Committee for its opinion, the Spanish delegation requests that this matter be included in the agenda for the first meeting of the Textiles Committee, to be held on 26 March.