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Addendum

Further to the communication circulated as document COM.TEX/W/5 the following communication has been received from the Permanent Delegation of Guatemala.

GUATEMALA

Communication Dated 28 March 1974

I have the honour to inform you, on the instructions of my Government, that the Republic of Guatemala accedes provisionally to the Arrangement regarding International Trade in Textiles, pending completion of the constitutional process of ratification by the National Congress.

Likewise, and in pursuance of instructions, I have the honour to inform you that the Government of Guatemala accepts the provisions of the Arrangement without reservation and has brought it into effect as from 21 January this year, on which date I informed you that my Government accepted in principle the International Agreement on Textiles.

I should like furthermore to inform you that the Guatemalan Government accepts the obligations deriving from the Arrangement, in particular those set forth in Article 13, paragraph 2, namely not to introduce new import restrictions or intensify existing import restrictions on textile products in so far as such action would, if my country had been a contracting party to the General Agreement, be inconsistent with its obligations.

Lastly, my country, which is not a contracting party to the General Agreement, hopes formally to accede thereto and to obtain treatment equal to that granted to other participating countries having a similar economic system and a comparable level of economic development.