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ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN COTTON TEXTILES

Action Taken by the United States under Articles 3 and 6(c)

The following communication has been received by the Director-General from the United States mission for notification to the Cotton Textiles Committee.

On 18 November 1969, the United States Government requested the Government of Malaysia to enter into consultations with a view to limiting exports to the United States from Malaysia of women's, girls', and infants' trousers, slacks and outer shorts, not knit (Cotton Textile Category 51). The United States had determined that these exports were causing market disruption within the meaning of LTA Articles 3 and 6(c) and proposed that Malaysian exports in this category to the United States be limited to 9,240 dozen for the twelve-month period beginning with the date of the request. Since no alternative was mutually agreed upon the United States Government has instituted import controls, retroactive to 18 November, at the proposed restraint level.