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ITALIAN IMPORT RESTRICTIONSAddendumRequest by Japan for Consultations under Article XXII

The Executive Secretary has been informed by the Government of Japan that the following Note Verbale was delivered by the Japanese Embassy in Rome to the Government of Italy on 15 July 1960:

"The Japanese Embassy presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and, acting upon instruction from its Government, wishes to advise that the Japanese Government considers the maintenance of quantitative restrictions on imports of Japanese products as offering prima facie evidence of damage to Japanese trade. The Japanese Government, therefore, wishes to enter into consultation with the Italian Government pursuant to document GATT L/1222, adopted by the CONTRACTING PARTIES at their sixteenth session, dealing with quantitative restrictions applied by Italy.

"The Japanese Government wishes the above-mentioned consultation to cover all the products to which quantitative restrictions are at present applied for imports from Japan or which may still be subject to such quantitative restrictions after the publication of a further list of liberalization.

"As for the products listed in Table A, the Japanese Government wishes to be joined in the forthcoming consultations between Italy and the United States and other contracting parties insofar as products of interest to Japan are concerned.

"As to the date and place of the consultation between Italy and Japan, the Japanese Government wishes this to be held at the same time and in the same place as the consultations between Italy and other contracting parties on products on which quantitative restrictions are still applied to imports from the dollar area.

"In this context, the Japanese Embassy would like to express the sincere hope of the Japanese Government that new liberalization measures for Japanese products will be announced shortly by the Italian Government so as to offer a useful basis for discussion at the forthcoming consultations."