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LONG-TERM ARRANGEMENT REGARDING TRADE IN COTTON TEXTILES

Accession by the United Arab Republic

The following communication, dated 21 September 1962, has been received by the Executive Secretary from the Commercial Minister of the United Arab Republic Embassy in Bern:

"I have the honour to inform you that the Government of the UAR accept the Long-Term Arrangement for Cotton Textiles drawn up by the Cotton Textiles Committee at its meeting in Geneva from 29 January to 9 February 1962.

"It should be noted that it is the intention of our Government to accept the conditions spelled out in paragraph 2 of article 11 of the Long-Term Arrangement, namely that the Government of the UAR undertake not to introduce new import restrictions or intensify existing restrictions on cotton textiles in so far as such action would, if our Government were a party to the General Agreement, be inconsistent with its obligations thereunder.

"In this connexion it should be noted also, as was pointed out by me, as Representative of the UAR Government at the meeting of the Cotton Textiles Committee from 10 to 12 September 1962, that the Government of the UAR in seeking accession to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, has already formally declared its readiness to accept all the obligations of the General Agreement."

In accordance with the procedures agreed upon by the Cotton Textiles Committee at its meeting from 10-12 September 1962 the above communication will be considered to be an instrument of accession to the Long-Term Arrangement effective from the date on which the Arrangement enters into force, provided that those delegations who, at the meeting of the Committee from 10-12 September, indicated that they were without instructions on this matter inform the Executive Secretary that their Governments support the accession of the United Arab Republic to the Arrangement.

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