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Action in Respect of Raw Silk

Addendum

The following communication, dated 22 July 1969, has been received from the Italian Permanent Representative.

By letter No. 1487 of 8 July 1969¹, I had the honour to inform you that following recent upheavals in the raw silk market in Italy, the Italian Government had decided to take emergency protective action in regard to tariff headings 50.01-50.07, under the provisions of Article XIX:2 of the General Agreement.

A memorandum setting forth in detail the reasons underlying the action taken was annexed to the above-mentioned letter.

As a partial amendment to that notification I am writing to inform you that, following a re-examination of the situation in the sector, the Italian Government has decided:

- (a) to re-establish liberalization for imports from all sources of silk waste (tariff heading 50.03) under the "all licences granted system". Consequently, tariff heading 50.03 should not be considered to be included in the list of products for which the system of special authorization (specific ministerial licence) has been re-introduced (see paragraph 1 of the memorandum);
- (b) to abolish the licensing system for temporary imports of all products in the silk sector, which will henceforth again be directly permitted by the customs.

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