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JAPAN

The Permanent Delegation of Japan has transmitted the following addition to the notification set out in document L/3653/Add.18.

## Recent Change in the Japanese Import System for Rew Silk

- 1. The Japanese Government has decided, in accordance with irticle 12, section 10, subsection 2 of the Cocoon and Raw Silk Price Stabilization Law, that the Japan Raw Silk Corporation shall be authorized as the sole importer of raw silk, effective 1 ingust 1974 through 31 May 1975.
- 2. This measure has been taken in pursuance of the provisions of the said law, the market conditions of raw silk not having improved in spite of internal measures, such as the purchase of domestic raw silk by the Japan Raw Silk Corporation, due to the effects of imports among other factors.
- 3. It being an exceptional measure under the said law, the Japanese Government intends to terminate it without delay when a prospect is obtained for recovery in the market conditions of raw silk and stabilization of its price.