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UNITED STATES AGRICULTURAL ADJUSTMENT ACT

Import Quotas for Cotton, Cotton Waste and Cotton Products

The following communication, dated 11 April 1974, has been submitted by the United States mission in Geneva.

I have been asked by my authorities to inform you that the Tariff Commission, in a report to the President made public 8 April, has found (with one Commissioner dissenting and two not participating) that import quotas on certain cotton, cotton waste, and cotton products can be temporarily suspended without interfering with the programmes for cotton of the United States Department of Agriculture or without reducing substantially the amount of any produce processed in the United States from domestic cotton within the meaning of Section 22 of the Agricultural Adjustment Act, as amended. The Commission recommended that the President suspend the import quotas only until the close of the respective quota years ending in calendar year 1975.

The Tariff Commission findings and recommendations are subject to presidential review.

The cotton products covered by the Commission's investigation do not include textiles covered by either the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles (MFA) or textile bilateral agreements between the United States and other countries regarding trade in cotton products.