

GENERAL AGREEMENT ON

RESTRICTED

TARIFFS AND TRADE

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Textiles Surveillance Body

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Article 11

Report on the Status of Restrictive Measures as requested by the TSB in accordance with Article 11¹

BRAZIL

Attached is a report received by the Textiles Surveillance Body from Brazil on the status of restrictions maintained by it on imports of textile products covered by the Arrangement as extended by the 1986 Protocol. This report has been submitted in accordance with Article 11, paragraphs 11, 12 and 2 of the MFA.²

¹ See COM.TEX/SB/1265.

² The previous report is contained in COM.TEX/SB/965/Add.26.

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Mr. Chairman,

With reference to your letter dated 24.03.87, concerning the request for information on the status of quantitative restrictions imposed on the imports of textiles in Brazil according to Articles 11:11, 11:12 and 11:2 of the Arrangement, I have the honour to inform you that Brazil does not apply such restrictions with respect to textiles.

2. For the imports of textiles in Brazil, only normal procedures apply, that is, tariff duties and financial transactions tax (IOF), applicable on foreign-exchange contracts. Imports of textiles are further subject to administrative measures, such as the Import Program and the suspension of import licences, which have been duly notified to the Balance of Payments Committee of the GATT (document L/6126).

Please accept, Mr. Chairman, the assurances of my distinguished consideration.



(PAULO NOGUEIRA BATISTA)

Ambassador

Permanent Representative of Brazil

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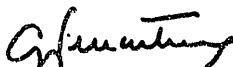
September 24 , 1987.

Mr. Chairman,

With respect to your request for further clarification about the elements of information contained in Ambassador Paulo Nogueira Batista's letter of 30 July 1987, I wish to confirm that the Government of Brazil does not impose restrictions, quantitative or otherwise, on the imports of textiles within the meaning of the Arrangement regarding International Trade in Textiles.

2. As has been pointed out, imports of textiles into Brazil are, on the other hand, subject to tariff duties and to a financial transactions tax (IOF) which is applicable on all foreign-exchange contracts. It has been further noted that the entry into force of the measure providing for the expansion of the list of products for which the issuance of import licences is temporarily suspended does affect a wide range of textile products. The complete list, as you are aware, is reproduced in document L/6126, whereby the contracting parties members of the Committee on Balance-of-Payments Restrictions are notified of the measure taken by Brazil for balance-of-payments purposes in accordance with the provisions of Article XVIII:B of the General Agreement.

Please accept, Mr, Chairman, the assurances of my distinguished consideration.



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