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COMMUNICATION FROM THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA¹

The following communication, dated 16 November 1987, addressed to the Chairman of the Textiles Committee, has been received from the Permanent Representative of the People's Republic of China in Geneva.

"Upon instruction of my Government, I have the honour to inform you the following:

The Government of the People's Republic of China, recalling Paragraph 23 of the 1986 Protocol Extending the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles and Clothing, which reads: 'Taking into account the important rôle of the Textiles Surveillance Body and in view of the increased membership of the Arrangement, the participants agreed to examine the possibility of an increase in the number of members of the Textiles Surveillance Body', proposes that as from January 1988, the membership of the TSB be increased.

For that purpose, the Government of the People's Republic of China would be ready to recommend an expert in international trade in textiles to serve on the TSB.

The Government of the People's Republic of China requests that the above proposal be examined at the Textiles Committee meeting to be held on December 4, 1987, and hopes that a positive conclusion will be arrived at.

I shall appreciate it very much if proper actions can be taken in due course."

¹Since this communication was received after the circulation of GATT/AIR/2515 of 12 November 1987 setting out the agenda for the Textile Committee's meeting, it is suggested that the above proposal be added as an agenda item after item A "The Annual Review of the Operation of the Arrangement as Extended by the 1986 Protocol".