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Textiles Surveillance Body

ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Notification under Articles 7 and 8

Export Surveillance and Consultation Agreement between Austria and Japan

The Textiles Surveillance Body received a notification under Articles 7 and 8 from Austria of an export surveillance and consultation agreement with Japan. The agreement includes provisions on origin certification and on consultation requirement in the event of imports causing real risk of market disruption.

The TSB agreed to forward the text of the notification to participating countries for their information.

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Consultation and Surveillance Agreement
between Austria and Japan

17 August 1978

Record of Discussions

On 6 and 7 March 1978 talks between the Japanese and Austrian delegations took place in Geneva taking into account the expiration of the arrangement between the two governments concerning trade in certain textiles between the two countries effected by the exchange of notes of 31 March 1976. The talks were continued in Vienna on 5 and 6 June and on 13 July 1978.

As a result of these talks, the two delegations agreed to record the following.

1. The Austrian delegation stated that Austria would issue import licences for the import of the following textile products from Japan as from 1 September 1978 upon presentation of certificates of origin issued by competent organizations in Japan.

The Japanese delegation stated that the Government of Japan would extend necessary guidances within the scope of the existing laws and regulations of Japan to the effect that such competent organizations would issue certificates of origin with respect to such products:

CCCN Number ex 51.04	Woven fabrics of man-made fibres (continuous), including woven fabrics of monofil or strip of Heading No. 51.01 and 51.02, other than grey;
ex 55.09	Other woven fabrics of cotton, other than grey;
ex 56.07 B	Other woven fabrics of man-made fibres (discontinuous or waste), other than grey;
ex 61.03	Woven shirts of discontinuous synthetic fibres.

2. The Austrian delegation stated that should the import from Japan of textiles falling within the purview of "textiles" as defined in paragraph 1 of Article 12 of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles (hereinafter referred to as the "Arrangement") develop in a manner which, in the view of Austria, causes real risks of market disruption, Austria may request consultations with Japan.

3. The two delegations agreed that such consultations would be held in conformity with the provisions of the Arrangement with a view to reaching an agreement on mutually acceptable terms.

The Austrian delegation stated that the request for such consultations should be accompanied by a statement containing relevant data of the market conditions which, in the view of Austria, make necessary the request for such consultations.

4. The Japanese delegation expressed its readiness to enter into such consultations as soon as possible and in any event not later than sixty days from the date of the request for such consultations. The two delegations agreed that the best efforts should be made to complete such consultations within fifteen days of their commencement.

Vienna, 31 July 1978

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