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ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Communication from the Government of the State of Qatar

The following communication has been received by the Director-General from the Government of the State of Qatar.

"On behalf of my Government, I have the honour to advise you that the Government of Qatar wishes to become a party to the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles under Article 13 and to the Protocol extending that instrument, dated 9th December 1992.

The Government of Qatar accepts without reservation the provisions of the Arrangement and the Protocol thereto, and accepts all obligations under the Arrangement, including the commitment not to introduce new restrictions on the import of textile products nor intensify existing ones, to the extent that this would be inconsistent with the provisions of the General Agreement.

The Government of Qatar has taken note of the provisions of Article 2:1 of the Arrangement and in this respect confirms that upon becoming a party to the Arrangement it will notify in detail to the Textiles Surveillance Body all restrictions applied by it on imports of textiles and clothing covered by the Arrangement.

The State of Qatar is a developing, exporting country. Its Government believes that upon becoming a party to the Arrangement and the Protocol thereto, and in respect of matters covered by those instruments, it should be entitled to receive treatment equivalent to that accorded to other participating developing, exporting countries at a similar level of economic development."