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REPORT OF THE SECOND MEETING (1994)1

- 1. The Textiles Surveillance Body held its second meeting of 1994 on 28-29 March.
- 2. Mr. Munir and Mr. Sophastienphong appointed Mr. Mehmet Onaner (Turkey) and Mr. Malino Pangaribuan (Indonesia) as their respective alternates.
- 3. Present at the meeting were the following members and/or alternates: Messrs. Cheung, Fujioka, Munir/Onaner, Prado, Prince, Saint-Jacques, Shepherd/Tagliani, Sophastienphong/Pangaribuan and Wentzel.
- 4. The report of the first meeting has been circulated in COM.TEX/SB/1893.

Notification under Article 3:4

Canada/Costa Rica

- 5. As agreed at the previous meeting, the TSB reviewed a notification made by Canada under Article 3:4 of an interim agreement concluded with Costa Rica regarding imports of underwear. This agreement, valid for the period 1 December 1993 to 30 June 1994, superseded a previous measure notified under Article 3:6.²
- 6. The TSB examined the relevant documentation and agreed that there was a case of market disruption. It also noted that the base level was substantially higher than the rollback level.
- 7. After its review, the TSB agreed to transmit the notification to the Textiles Committee. (COM.TEX/SB/1894)

Notification under Articles 3:8, 3:6 and 11

Canada/Jamaica

- 8. The TSB received a notification under Article 3:8 from Canada of a request to Jamaica to agree to a twelve-month extension of the restraint on imports of underwear.
- 9. During the meeting, two further notifications were received: the first concerned a notification from Canada, stating that in the absence of agreement under Article 3:8, it had requested Jamaica for consultations pursuant to Article 3, pending the results of which it had imposed a two-month restraint

¹Two hundred and eighty-third meeting overall.

²See COM.TEX/SB/1893.

under Article 3:6 effective 15 March 1994; the second was a notification from Jamaica requesting the TSB to review the matter under Article 11.

10. The TSB, in view of its decision at the previous meeting³ as well as the request by Jamaica, agreed to invite Jamaica and Canada to present their respective cases at its next meeting.

Notification under Article 4

United States/Korea

11. The TSB continued its review of the extension of the agreement between the United States and Korea.

Notifications transmitted under Articles 7 and 8

12. The TSB received two notifications under Article 4 of extensions of agreements which concerned countries that had participated in the Arrangement until 31 December 1993, but had not as yet accepted the 1993 Protocol maintaining the Arrangement. The TSB decided to transmit these notifications to the Textiles Committee under Articles 7 and 8 on the understanding that it would review any notification under Article 4, after the acceptance of the 1993 Protocol by the countries concerned, at the request of either party involved in the notification. The notifications are listed below.

Canada/Malaysia, Canada/Philippines

13. The agreements between Canada with Malaysia and the Philippines were each extended for the period 1 January 1993 to 31 December 1994. (COM.TEX/SB/1895 and 1896)

Notifications received under Articles 7 and 8

- 14. The TSB received three notifications under Articles 7 and 8 of agreements concluded with non-participating countries. These notifications were made pursuant to a request made by the Textiles Committee that agreements concluded with non-participants be notified. These notifications concerned the following agreements:
 - (a) between the <u>United States</u> and <u>Bulgaria</u> for the period 1 January 1993 to 31 December 1995; (COM.TEX/SB/1897)
 - (b) between the <u>United States</u> and <u>Fiji</u> for the period 1 January 1993 to 31 December 1994; (COM.TEX/SB/1898) and
 - (c) between the <u>United States</u> and <u>Oman</u> for the period 1 January 1993 to 31 December 1995. (COM.TEX/SB/1899)

³See COM.TEX/SB/1893, paragraph 9.