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Relating to Western Germany

Statement Submitted by the Representative
of the United States

Without attempting to describe in detail all of the measures now in force which are applicable to the export and import trade of the areas of Western Germany now occupied by the United States, the following statement may be made on the basis of information supplied by the Chairman of the Joint Import-Export Agency of the Bizonal Area:-

First. The importation of goods into Germany is conducted by private parties under licence from the Joint Import-Export Agency. These licences are granted provided that the total of imports of the particular commodity does not exceed a quota established for the particular period. These quotas are established by an agency of the German local government subject to the approval of the JIEA. Quotas are based on over-all quantities and are not established with reference to imports from particular countries.

Second. The exportation of goods from Germany is conducted by private parties under license from the JIEA. In granting or withholding licences consideration is given to price and to the necessity of avoiding the export of capital goods.

Third. None of the controls now in force is exercised in such a manner as to discriminate against any country in a manner contrary to the principles of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.