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Textiles Surveillance Body

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ARRANGEMENT REGARDING INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN TEXTILES

Article 4 Notifications

Bilateral Agreement between Sweden and Japan

The Textiles Surveillance Body has received from Sweden and Japan a joint notification of a bilateral agreement under Article 4 of the Arrangement between these two countries.

The TSB, pursuant to its procedure regarding bilateral agreements notified under Article 4<sup>1</sup>, has examined the relevant documentation. The TSB is circulating the text of this agreement to participating countries for their information.

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<sup>1</sup>See COM.TEX/SB/35, Annex B.

Japanese Letter

Tokyo, 31 March 1976

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to refer to the recent discussions held in Geneva between the representatives of the Government of Japan and of the Government of Sweden on trade in textiles between the two countries.

I have further the honour to confirm, on behalf of the Government of Japan, the following understanding reached as a result of the above-mentioned discussions in accordance with the provisions of the Arrangement Regarding International Trade in Textiles done in Geneva on 20 December 1973:

1. The Government of Sweden will terminate immediately the existing quantitative restrictions which have been notified to the Textiles Surveillance Body with the exception referred to in paragraph 2.
2. For the duration of this understanding, the Government of Sweden will limit imports, through a system of import licences, of the textiles of Japanese origin, listed in the Annex to this letter as provided for therein.
3. The two Governments will enter promptly into consultation with each other at the request of either Government on any problem concerning their trade in textiles and in particular on any problem arising out of the application of this understanding.
4. The foregoing provisions of this understanding will be implemented by the two Governments in accordance with the laws and regulations applicable in their respective countries.
5. This understanding will continue in force through 31 December 1977. Before that date the two Governments will enter into consultation concerning their trade in textiles.

I have further the honour to request Your Excellency to confirm the foregoing understanding on behalf of the Government of Sweden.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurances of my highest consideration.

Swedish Letter

Tokyo, 31 March 1976

Your Excellency,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of Your Excellency's letter of today's date which reads as follows:

(See Japanese letter)

I have further the honour to confirm the foregoing understanding on behalf of the Government of Sweden.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurances of my highest consideration.

ANNEX

Swedish tariff classification No.	Description	Unit of quantity	Limit for period 1.4.76-31.12.77
62.02.110,190	Bedlinen <sup>1/</sup>	Tons	181 <sup>2/</sup>

<sup>1/</sup> The denomination "bedlinen" refers e.g. to bedsheets, pillow cases, bolster cases, eiderdown cases, mattress covers, pyjama and nightdress cases.

<sup>2/</sup> Imports of these textiles intended for immediate re-export will not be subject to any quantitative limit.