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LONG-TERM ARRANGEMENT REGARDING TRADE IN COTTON TEXTILES

Information Transmitted by Brazil

The following communication has been received by the Executive Secretary from the Brazilian delegation.

The Brazilian delegation presents its compliments to the Executive Secretary of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade and has the honour to inform him that the Brazilian Government has not accepted the Long-Term Arrangement on Cotton Textiles as a pasis for the consultations referred to in document COT/34, since Brazil is not a party thereof.

Furthermore, such consultations should not be construed as a recognition by the Brazilian Government of market disruption as a principle governing international trade.

Under the circumstances, discussions now under way do not preclude the possibility of a recourse to the CONTRACTING PARTIES under Article XXIII of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade, should such discussions prove fruitless.

The Braziliar delegation would appreciate that the above text be circulated among the contracting parties.