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AGREEMENT ON TEXTILES AND CLOTHING

Notification under Articles 2.8(a) and 2.11

European Community

The Textiles Monitoring Body has received a notification from the European Commission pursuant to paragraphs 8(a) and 11 of Article 2.

The TMB, in accordance with paragraph 11 of Article 2, is circulating this notification to WTO Members.

European Commission
Permanent Delegation to the International Organizations in Geneva

Geneva, 16 December 1996

Dear Chairman,

Pursuant to paragraphs 8(a) and 11 of Article 2 of the Agreement on Textiles and Clothing the European Community is pleased to notify the products which will be integrated into the GATT 1994 on 1 January 1998.

The categories of product, together with the groups into which they fall, are set out in the annexed table. They represent 17.99 per cent of 1990 EC imports (by volume).

The European Community and Turkey form a customs union and have consulted prior to notifying their second stages of integration.

Yours sincerely,

(signed) R.E. Abbott
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ANNEX

LIST OF TEXTILE AND CLOTHING PRODUCTS INTEGRATED INTO GATT 1994 ON 1 JANUARY 1998

CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION ¹	IMPORTS 1990	
		Tonnes	%
41	Yarn of synthetic filament (continuous), not put up for retail sale, other than non-textured single yarn untwisted or with a twist of not more than 50 turns/m	161,473	4.08
46	Carded or combed sheep's or lamb's wool or other fine animal hair	37,523	0.95
124	Synthetic staple fibres	215,245	5.44
126	Artificial staple fibres	45,770	1.16
TOTAL TOPS AND YARNS		460,011	11.63
61	Narrow woven fabrics, and narrow fabrics (bolduc) consisting of warp without weft, assembled by means of an adhesive, other than labels and similar articles of category 62; elastic fabrics and trimmings (not knitted or crocheted), made from textile materials assembled from rubber thread	6,318	0.16
65	Knitted or crocheted fabric, other than those of categories 38A and 63, of wool, of cotton or of man-made fibres	30,716	0.78
96	Non-woven fabrics and articles of such fabrics, whether or not impregnated, coated, covered or laminated	29,007	0.73
100	Textile fabrics impregnated, coated, covered or laminated with preparations of cellulose derivatives or of other artificial plastic materials	21,604	0.55
TOTAL FABRICS		87,645	2.22
19	Handkerchiefs, other than knitted or crocheted	2,864	0.07
58	Carpets, carportines and rugs, knotted (made up or not)	48,742	1.23
84	Shawls, scarves, mufflers, mantillas, veils and the like other than knitted or crocheted, of wool, of cotton or of man-made fibres	3,137	0.08
91	Tents	14,169	0.36
110	Woven pneumatic mattresses	11,642	0.29
111	Camping goods, woven, other than pneumatic mattresses and tents	973	0.02
TOTAL MADE-UP TEXTILES		81,527	2.06
67	Knitted or crocheted clothing accessories other than for babies; household linen of all kinds, knitted or crocheted; curtains (incl. drapes) and interior blinds, curtain or bed valances and other furnishing articles knitted or crocheted; knitted or crocheted blankets and travelling rugs, other than knitted or crocheted articles including parts of garments or of clothing accessories	16,878	0.43
70	Panty-hose and tights of synthetic fibres, measuring per single yarn less than 67 decitex (6,7 tex); women's full length hosiery of synthetic fibres	8,390	0.21
72	Swimwear, of wool, of cotton or of man-made fibres	3,886	0.10
74	Women's or girl's suits and ensembles, of wool, of cotton, or of man-made fibres, excluding ski suits	7,553	0.19

¹The complete description of the categories including corresponding HS lines is shown in Annex 1 of Regulation (EEC) 3030/93.

CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION ¹	IMPORTS 1990	
		Tonnes	%
76	Men's or boy's industrial or occupational clothing, other than knitted or crocheted; women's or girl's aprons, smock overalls and other industrial or occupational clothing, other than knitted or crocheted	30,995	0.78
77	Ski suits, other than knitted or crocheted	2,632	0.07
86	Corsets, corset-belts, suspender belts, braces, suspenders, garters and the like, and parts thereof, whether or not knitted or crocheted	1,824	0.05
87	Gloves, mittens and mitts, not knitted or crocheted	8,776	0.22
88	Stockings, socks and sockettes, not knitted or crocheted; other clothing accessories, other than for babies, other than knitted or crocheted	1,858	0.05
TOTAL CLOTHING		82,792	2.09
TOTAL INTEGRATED		711,975	17.99
TOTAL VOLUME OF 1990 IMPORTS OF PRODUCTS IN THE ANNEX TO THE ATC		3,956,848	100.00

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