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Textiles Monitoring Body

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AGREEMENT ON TEXTILES AND CLOTHING

Notification under Article 2.2

Macau

The Textiles Monitoring Body has received a notification from Macau of observations pursuant to paragraph 2 of Article 2.

The TMB is circulating this notification to WTO Members for their information, pursuant to paragraph 2 of Article 2.

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Government of Macau

Macau, 14 June 1995

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Dear Sir,

In compliance with Article 2 paragraph 2 of the Agreement on Textiles and Clothing, and in respect of the United States notification G/TMB/ of 19 April 1995, the Government of Macau wishes to make the following observations:

- The US Government's notification refers to categories of fabrics 219, 225, 317, 326, 611, 625/6/7/8/9 as Specific Limits, when on 31 December 1994 these same categories were, in fact, merely under Designated Consultation Levels.
- Therefore, it is the Macau Government's understanding that no restrictions were in force on 31 December 1994 by reason of which the categories above must not be considered as such, and therefore, not the object of the aforementioned notification.

In view of these considerations, the Macau Government invites the TMB to recommend that the United States notification, in so far as it purports to confirm the existence of restrictions for fabric categories 219, 225, 317, 326, 611, 625/6/7/8/9 as Specific Limits, is not in conformity with Article 2 paragraph 1 of the Agreement on Textiles and Clothing.

Yours sincerely,

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Macau Government