

WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION

RESTRICTED

G/TMB/N/120

17 August 1995

(95-2435)

Textiles Monitoring Body

Original: English

AGREEMENT ON TEXTILES AND CLOTHING

Notification under Article 2.2

Korea

The Textiles Monitoring Body has received a notification from Korea 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.

Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea
Geneva

30 June 1995

Dear Mr. Szepesi,

With reference to Article 2, paragraph 2 of the Agreement on Textiles and Clothing, I am pleased to convey to you Korea's observations regarding the notifications by the United States, the European Union and Canada.

I also have the honour to request that the above observations be circulated to the members of the Textiles Monitoring Body.

Sincerely yours,

(signed) Jaegil LEE
Counsellor

Encl: as stated

Mr. András Szepesi
Chairman
Textiles Monitoring Body
World Trade Organization
Centre William Rappard
154, rue de Lausanne
1211 Geneva 21

Korea's Observations on the Notifications by the US, Canada and the EU
Pursuant to the WTO/ATC Article 2.1

Regarding the notifications of the US, Canada and the EU to the WTO pursuant to Article 2.1 of the WTO Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (ATC), the Korean Government would like to bring the following to the attention of the Textiles Monitoring Body (TMB).

Firstly, the US notified the existing limits of combined use of carryover and carry forward to the TMB. Canada notified the existing limits of mixed flexibility of swing, carryover and carry forward to the TMB. It is, however, unclear whether notifications by the two countries were made just to inform the existing above said systems or to continue maintaining them which are inconsistent with the WTO/ATC Art. 2.16. Therefore, it is our hope that the US and Canada make it clear that they do not intend to limit the combined use of swing, carryover and carry forward.

Secondly, as shown in the following chart, there exist discrepancies between the notifications of the US, Canada and the EU and the existing bilateral agreements between Korea and the three respective countries. The Korean Government therefore hopes that these discrepancies will be clarified.

〈Table 1〉

	Cat. (Item)	Discrepancies		
		Item	Existing	Notification
US	201	SWING (%)	6	0
	333/4/5	"	6	0
	(335)	"	6	0
	338/9	"	6	0
	340	"	6	0
	(340-D)	"	6	0
	341	"	6	0
	347/8	"	6	0
	353/4/653/4	"	6	0
Canada	6 (cat. 6.0)	CO/CF	6% (3%)	8% (5%)
EU	22	(B) (94 quantity)	13,774	17,774
	86	annual increase	6%	8%