

The market penetration by imports of cotton textiles (10% in 1967) is held to a moderate rate of growth by the Long-Term Cotton Textile Arrangement. Import penetration of residual fuel oil is held at the approximate relationship of 12.2% of domestic production by mandatory import quotas.

Contrary to the affirmative action taken by the Executive Branch in extending the Long-Term Cotton Textile Arrangement and in maintaining in effect mandatory import controls on residual fuel oil, the Executive Branch by withdrawing the tariff increases on all but single and double strength window glass has altered the competitive position of foreign-produced and domestic glass in the U. S. market to the serious detriment of the U. S. industry.

II. FOREIGN PRODUCTION HAS CAPTURED A LARGE AND RISING SHARE OF THE UNITED STATES MARKET IN EACH OF THE MAJOR PRODUCT CATEGORIES OF FLAT GLASS

The disturbing degree of market penetration by imports of the domestic flat glass market which has again been precipitated by tariff action by the Executive inconsistent with the best interest of the domestic industry pervades each major sector of the flat glass market. The basic product categories of plate or float glass, sheet glass, and cast or rough rolled glass account for about 90% of the total flat glass consumption in the United States. Stepwise, import penetration is marching upward in these basic categories as shown by the following table.