

the contrary, it seems to me that we have got a precedent that indicates that the major textile producing countries of the world have in fact already acquiesced and are now enjoying the benefits of orderly international trade in one area. I see no reason why we shouldn't be able to extend this concept to all textile fibers. When we do we will have a much more meaningful solution and, absent it, we really haven't got the job completely done. But the answer is not to give up the LTCA. The answer is to build on this base.

Mr. ULLMAN. Thank you.

The CHAIRMAN. Are there any further questions?

If not, we thank all of you for your very interesting testimony.

Without objection the committee will resume its hearings at 2 o'clock this afternoon. Our first witness will be our colleague from South Carolina followed by our colleague from New York.

Mr. DARMAN. Thank you.

Mr. DENT. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

(Whereupon, at 12:25 p.m., the committee recessed, to reconvene at 2 p.m. the same day.)

AFTER RECESS

(The committee reconvened at 2 p.m., Hon. James A. Burke, presiding.)

Mr. BURKE. The hearing will come to order.

Our first witness will be Congressman Samuel S. Stratton of New York.

STATEMENT OF HON. SAMUEL S. STRATTON, A REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS FROM THE STATE OF NEW YORK

Mr. STRATTON. Thank you very much, Mr. Chairman. I have a prepared statement and I believe it has been made available to the committee. I appear before you today in support of the legislation introduced by the chairman, Mr. Mills, and the other various items of companion legislation introduced to provide quantitative restrictions on the growth of textile imports.

In an effort to save time let me just say that I fully support the statement that Congressman Dorn, of South Carolina, will be presenting a few minutes after mine on behalf of a large number of Members who have joined together in introducing this textile import quota legislation.

I was one of that group and introduced my own companion bill, H.R. 13755. I would also like to indicate my support for the statement made this morning to the committee by the American Textile Manufacturers Institute.

What I would like to comment on just very briefly, Mr. Chairman, is the one essential item of difference between my bill, H.R. 13755, and the other companion textile bills, which is the specific inclusion in the meaning of textile products of cordage and cordage products.

It appears on page 5 in section 7 of the legislation which deals with definitions. Cordage has traditionally been recognized as a part of textiles, but I believe that the legislation we adopt ought to make this point explicit rather than implicit and this is the one additional thing which my bill would do.