

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
Washington, D.C., June 28, 1968.

Mr. JOHN M. MARTIN,
Chief Counsel, Committee on Ways and Means,
House of Representatives.

DEAR MR. MARTIN: The British Embassy, by note No. 169, dated June 28, has requested the Department of State to transmit to the Committee on Ways and Means statements prepared by British manufacturing and trade associations in conjunction with the current hearings on trade policy.

A copy of the British note, as well as copies of the statements, are enclosed for appropriate use by the Committee and other interested parties.

Sincerely yours,

MARTIN Y. HIRABAYASHI,
Chief, Special Trade Activities and Commercial Treaties Division.

Enclosure.

NOTE No. 169

Her Majesty's Embassy for the United Kingdom present their compliments to the Department of State and have the honour to refer to the hearings on trade policy currently being held by the Committee on Ways and Means of the House of Representatives.

A number of British manufacturing and trade associations have prepared statements which are relevant to the subjects under discussion by the Ways and Means Committee; and the Embassy would be grateful if the State Department could facilitate the transmission of these documents to the Committee.

The statements which are enclosed with this Note are:

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(b) A joint submission by the Clothing Manufacturers' Federation of Great Britain and the Shirt, Collar and Tie Manufacturers' Federation.

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Additional copies of the first two of these submissions are enclosed with a request that they be distributed to members of the Ways and Means Committee and to interested departmental and legislative staffs if the Committee should consider this appropriate.

June 1968

THE CLOTHING MANUFACTURERS' FEDERATION OF GREAT BRITAIN, THE SHIRT,
COLLAR AND TIE MANUFACTURERS' FEDERATION

PUBLIC HEARINGS ON TARIFF AND TRADE PROPOSALS

1. Introduction

This submission to the United States Committee on Ways and Means is by the Clothing Manufacturers' Federation of Great Britain and the Shirt, Collar and Tie Manufacturers' Federation, both of 70 Pall Mall, London, S.W.1. The Federations are the national organisations covering England, Scotland and Wales, representing more than 300 manufacturers of all types of tailored outerwear for men, boys, women and girls, and 100 manufacturers of shirts and pyjamas.

Evidence relating to women's and girls' outerwear has been submitted by the Mantle and Costume Manufacturers' Export Group and the present submission deals with the other garments specified. References to clothing in this submission relate to these garments.

Our submission relates to the proposals relative to imposition of quotas either on an across-the-board basis or on named items or commodities. Specifically our submission relates to any proposal for quotas or other restrictions on the importation into the United States of garments made by members of the above Federations.

The purpose of our submission is to present to the Committee an analysis of the facts in support of our contention that such clothing imported from the U.K. supplements rather than competes with domestic production and that such imports do not damage the domestic industry and benefit domestic interests.