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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

May 22, 1976

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR: L. WILLIAM SEIDMAN
FROM: JAMES E. CONNOR *JEC*
SUBJECT: Tariff Rate Quotas on Broomcorn Brooms

The President has reviewed your memorandum of May 20 on the above subject and has approved the recommendation of the Trade Policy Committee to:

Determine that estimated consumption of broomcorn brooms has changed substantially in 1975, and

Proclaim a reduction of the tariff rate quota provided for in TSUS Item 750.26 to 91,855 dozen and a reduction of the tariff rate quota provided for in TSUS Item 750.29 to 161,540 dozen.

The Proclamation was signed and forwarded.

Please follow-up with the appropriate action.

cc: Dick Cheney

THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN....

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 20, 1976

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: L. WILLIAM SEIDMAN

LWS

SUBJECT: Tariff Rate Quotas on Broomcorn Brooms

The Tariff Schedules of the United States (TSUS) provide that imports of certain broomcorn brooms are subject to tariff rate quotas. You are required to modify these tariff rate quotas if you determine that the annual domestic consumption of such brooms "has substantially changed since 1965."

On March 17, 1976, the U.S. International Trade Commission reported to you its estimates of domestic consumption in 1975 of brooms of the kinds involved. A memorandum from Ambassador Dent on this issue, including the recommendations of the Trade Policy Committee, is attached at Tab A.

The Trade Policy Committee unanimously recommended that you:

1. Determine that estimated consumption of broomcorn brooms has changed substantially in 1975.
2. Proclaim a reduction of the tariff rate quota provided for in TSUS Item 750.26 to 91,855 dozen and a reduction of the tariff rate quota provided for in TSUS Item 750.29 to 161,540 dozen.

Ambassador Dent's memorandum has been staffed to the appropriate White House offices not included on the Trade Policy Committee. Their comments and recommendations are as follows:

James M. Cannon I concur with the Trade Policy Committee recommendation that the President reduce tariff rate quotas on broomcorn brooms.

Tab A