

Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6.

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>SLOVAK REPUBLIC</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Slovak Office of Standards, Metrology and Testing (ÚNMS SR)
3.	Notified under Article 2.9.2 [], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [X], 5.7.1 [], other:
4.	Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Cosmetics, soap (3303-3307; 3401), soap powders (3402), transport bands (4010), textiles and textile products (5208-5212; 5309; 5401; 5402; 5407; 5408; 6101-6117; 6201-6211; 6213; 6301; 6302; 6309; 6526), ropes (5607), mining pipes (5911), soldering materials, tools, devices and materials used in welding (2530; 3810; 7308; 7311; 7318; 7610; 8311; 8405; 8414; 8468; 8481; 8415; 9004), school bags, selected leather products and footwear (4202; 4203; 6401-6404), products specified for health protection and safety at work (3917-3921; 3923; 3925; 3926; 4008; 4009; 4015-4017; 4203-4205; 4303, 4304; 5007, 5111-5113; 5208-5212; 5309; 5310; 5407; 5408; 5512-5516; 5601; 5603; 5607; 5609; 5701-5705; 5903; 5904; 5907; 5909; 6002; 6101-6104; 6110; 6113; 6114; 6116; 6201-6204; 6210; 6211; 6216; 6306; 6401-6405; 6503; 6505; 6506; 6810; 6811; 6815; 6904; 7019; 7616; 8421; 8518; 9004), agricultural, food industry and forestry machines (8421; 8422; 8428; 8432-8438; 8514; 8701), fuels, oils (2710), improvers of fuels and lubricants (3811), selected plastics and products made of plastics (3901-3904; 3908; 3920; 3921; 3923-3926; 4009; 4016; 4017; 8546; 8547).
5.	Title and number of pages of the notified document: Obligatory Certification of Specified Products - Decrees Nos. 81, 82, 84, 85, 87, 88, 90, 91/1994 ÚNMS SR.
6.	Description of content: The proposed technical regulations - obligatory certification of specified products - Decrees Nos. 81, 82, 84, 85, 87, 88, 90, 91/1994 of the UMNS SR of 1 December 1994 "Obligatory Certification" state the examining of mechanical, fire and electrical safety, hygienic irreproachability, health and environmental protection, safety at work and energy saving and subsequent certification of conformity of these products to the specified technical standards and legislative regulations.

7.	Objective and rationale: The reason for introducing the obligatory testing instead of current obligatory products type approval is to harmonize the conformity certification system valid in the countries of EU and EFTA (according to so called "Global Approach to Certification and Testing" of 13 June 1989). The aim of introducing these regulations is to reach full compatibility of the procedure for the conformity certification of products in accordance with the EU directives, which subsequently will ensure the mutual recognition of certificates.
8.	Relevant documents: (a) Previous documents: - Act No. 30/1968 Zb. on state testing in tenor to subsequent regulations; - FUNM Decree No. 101/1988 on products certification. (b) International documents: - European Commission's document No. 89/C267/03 of 15 June 1989 "Global Approach to Certification and Testing Qualitative Measures for Industrial Products". - EU Council Decision of 13 October 1990 concerning the modules for various phases of the conformity assessment procedures which are intended to be used in the technical harmonization directives. - EU Council Directive No. 90/396/EEC on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to appliances burning gaseous fuels. - EU Council Directive No. 92/42/EEC on efficiency requirements for new hot-water boilers fired with liquid or gaseous fuels. (c) Publication in which there is a reference: UNMS Bulletin No. 14/1994 (Vestník ÚNMS SR No. 14/1994) (d) Publication in which the proposal will be published after the approval: Official Gazette of the Slovak Republic
9.	Proposed date of adoption and entry into force: 1 May 1995
10.	Final date for comments: 30 April 1995
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address and telefax number of other body: