NOTIFICATIONS UNDER ARTICLES 2.5.2 AND 7.3.2

The following notifications received from the European Economic Community are being circulated in accordance with Article 10.4.

80.19.1. Notification in accordance with: Article 2.5.2 of the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade.

Agency proposing to adopt: Council of Ministers of the European Communities.

Products to be covered: flavourings for use in foodstuffs and source materials for their production. (CCT - in particular Sections I, II, III, IV and VI).

Brief description, objective and rationale


The proposal outlines a scheme for Community legislation on flavourings used in food. The central theme is that substances and materials should not be used as flavourings unless they appear on permitted lists and have been subjected to independent toxicological evaluation to assess their safety in use. Labelling provisions, definitions and procedural recommendations are also included in the provisions of the text.


Final date for submitting comments: 30 September 1980.

Proposed dates of adoption and entry into force: not yet specified.

80.19.2. Notification in accordance with: Article 7.3.2. of the Agreement on Technical Barriers to Trade.

Agency proposing to adopt: Commission of the European Communities.
Products to be covered: foodstuffs (CCT - in particular Sections I, II, III, and IV).

Brief description, objective and rationale

Draft Commission Directive for the determination of vinyl chloride monomer released into foodstuffs by materials and articles in contact with them:

The method is based on gas chromatography using the "head-space", and its repeatability is 0.003 mg of vinyl chloride monomer per 1 kg. of foodstuff.

Publication and reference number: not yet available.

Final date for submitting comments: 31 August 1980.

Proposed dates for adoption and entry into force: not yet specified.