**NOTIFICATION**

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.4.

1. Party to Agreement notifying: **UNITED STATES**

2. Agency responsible: Food Safety and Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture (122)

3. Notified under Article 2.5.2 [X] 2.6.1 [ ] 7.3.2 [ ] 7.4.1 [ ] Other:

4. Products covered (CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading): Meat food products and poultry products

5. Title: Phosphates and Sodium Hydroxide

6. Description of content: This proposal will permit the use of the potassium salt of phosphate wherever the use of sodium salt of phosphate is now approved and will permit the use of phosphates in all meat food products unless prohibited by another regulation. It will also permit the use of sodium hydroxide as a pH control agent in processed meat and poultry products in which phosphates are used.

7. Objective and rationale: Human health and safety


9. Proposed dates of adoption and entry into force: To be determined

10. Final date for comments: 6 October 1981

11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address of other body: