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

1. Party to Agreement notifying: UNITED STATES

2. Agency responsible: Environmental Protection Agency (145)

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): Chemicals used in or for instant photographic film articles.

5. Title: Premanufacture notification: proposed exemption for chemicals used in or for instant photographic film articles.

6. Description of content: Section 5(a) (1) (a) of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) requires that any person who intends to manufacture or import a new chemical substance for commercial purposes submit a premanufacture notice to EPA before manufacture or import begins. Section 5(h) (4) of TSCA authorizes the administrator, upon application and by rule, to exempt any person from the provisions of Section 5 if the agency determines that the chemical substance will not present any unreasonable risk of injury to health or the environment when manufactured, processed, disturbed, used, or disposed of under the terms of the exemption. EPA proposes to issue a Section 5(h) (4) exemption for those persons who manufacture and process new chemical substances used in or for the manufacture of instant photographic film articles.

7. Objective and rationale: To determine the need for and adequacy of the various exposure safeguards that EPA is proposing as conditions of the exemption.


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

10. Final date for comments: 3 December 1981

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