**NOTIFICATION**

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

1. **Party to Agreement notifying:** FINLAND

2. **Agency responsible:** The National Board of Trade and Consumer Interests

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):** Packages of special dietary food. The proposed decree covers edible products (e.g. certain products of yeast and herbs) which are characterized neither as common food products nor as pharmaceutical products. The relevant provisions of the proposal are also applicable to common food and consumer products with mild pharmaceutical impact.

5. **Title:** Decree on special food

6. **Description of content:** According to the proposed regulation the special products concerned must be packed and a sales label must be attached to the package. A prior announcement of special food with mild pharmaceutical impact has to be made to the National Board of Trade and Consumer Interests at least six months before starting the marketing. The proposed decree cancels the decree and its amendment on special food (Statutes of Finland 177/67 and 659/80).

7. **Objective and rationale:** Human safety and consumer interests

8. **Relevant documents:** Act on Food Products (Statutes of Finland 526/41)

9. **Proposed dates of adoption and entry into force:** November 1982
   1 January 1983

10. **Final date for comments:** 30 October 1982

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