### General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade

Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

**NOTIFICATION**

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

1. **Party to Agreement notifying:** EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY

2. **Agency responsible:** Commission of the European Economic Community

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):**
   - Emulsifiers, stabilizers, thickeners and gelling agents: specific criteria of purity (ex Chapter 29)


6. **Description of content:** This proposal is designed to amend the above-mentioned Directive by introducing certain technical amendments in respect of the criteria of purity for the substances mentioned, i.e.: alginic acid and alginates, xanthan gum, powdered cellulose, sucroglycerides, propylene-glycol esters of fatty acids, ammonium phosphatides, polyglycerol polyricinoleate, sorbitan monostearate, sorbitan tristearate, sorbitan monolaurate, sorbitan monooleate and sorbitan monopalmitate.

7. **Objective and rationale:** Protection of health, in respect of foodstuffs for human consumption.


9. **Proposed dates of adoption and entry into force:** Not yet set

10. **Final date for comments:** 22 April 1982

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