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 Communities |
| 3. Notified under Article 2.5.2, 2.6.1, 7.3.2, 7.4.1, Other: |

Products covered (CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading): "Any product manifestly intended for the use in play by children of not more than fourteen years of age, including writing, drawing and colouring materials and handicraft equipment marketed as instruments of play for such children". (Article 1:1 of draft outline directive. Annex I to that directive contains a list of products not covered by the regulation.)

Title: Amendment, under Article 149:2 of EEC Treaty, of the proposal for a Council directive on the approximation of the laws of the member States concerning toy safety (see OJ of the EC C228 of 8.9.80)

Description of content: The draft amends the proposal for a directive referred to in parentheses under point 4 above. This proposal has been broken down into three parts which are presented together; a framework directive containing basic provisions of substantive law and of procedure in this respect, and two implementing directives referring to standards CEN EN 71/1 and EN 71/2, concerning respectively the "physical and mechanical properties" and "flammability" of toys.

Objective and rationale: The draft directive is intended to remove tariff barriers to trade and to protect the health and safety of consumers, in particular children, in the toy sector.

Relevant documents: Document COM 83/323 final

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Texts available from: National enquiry point or address of other body: