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

1. Party to Agreement notifying: FRANCE

2. Agency responsible: Ministry of Industry and Research (Directorate of Industrial Quality and Safety).

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

4. Products covered (CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading):
   - Roofing slates CCCN 68.03

5. Title: Draft interministerial order regarding mandatory application of standard nf p 32 301.

6. Description of content: Minimal checking of natural slates with regard to the following:
   - Geometrical characteristics: dimensions and flatness of surfaces.
   - Physical characteristics: knots, colour, weight, volume, porosity, resistance to frost.
   - Mechanical bending - strength characteristics: inclusions of iron pyrites, calcium carbonate and iron oxide.

7. Objective and rationale: Protection of users.

8. Relevant documents: Customs Code, article 23 bis
   Standard nf p 32 301 (September 1958)

9. Proposed dates of adoption and entry into force: Adoption 2 October

10. Final date for comments: 1 October 1983

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