### NOTIFICATION

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

1. **Party to Agreement notifying:** UNITED STATES

2. **Agency responsible:** National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (187)

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):** Motor vehicles (CCCN Chapter 87)

5. **Title:** Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards: occupant crash protection

6. **Description of content:** This notice proposes several alternative actions to provide protection for an automobile's front seat occupants in case of frontal, side-impact, and roll-over accidents. The three regulatory actions being considered are:
   - (1) amend the automatic occupant restraint requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) 208, occupant crash protection, to permit compliance only with either airbags or non-detachable seatbelts;
   - (2) retain the automatic occupant restraint requirements of FMVSS 208; and
   - (3) rescind the automatic restraint requirements of FMVSS 208 after considering the matter further and providing additional justification. The present FMVSS 208 requires manufacturers to install manual or automatic belts which would provide crash protection in a frontal and front angular crash and in a lateral and roll-over crash.

7. **Objective and rationale:** Safety


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

10. **Final date for comments:** 19 December 1983

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

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