NOTIFICATION

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

1. Party to Agreement notifying: UNITED KINGDOM

2. Agency responsible: Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food (MAFF)

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

- Products covered (CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading):
  Whisky CCT Heading 2209 C III

5. Title: Proposals for whisky regulations

6. Description of content: These proposals would transfer the definition of whisky and whiskey from schedule 7 of the Finance Act 1969, to legislation under the Food and Drugs Act 1955, and lay down definitions for Scotch whisky, Irish whiskey and blended whiskies. They would preclude the sale of Scotch whisky at strengths below 40 per cent alcohol by volume.

7. Objective and rationale: To protect the standard of Scotch whisky and to bring all the whisky definitions under the umbrella of food and drugs legislation.

8. Relevant documents: Proposed whisky regulations

9. Proposed dates of adoption and entry into force: As soon as practicable

10. Final date for comments: 31 December 1983

11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [ ] or address of other body: HMSO - St. Crispins, Duke Street, Norwich NR3 1DN
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